

# FOCUS





## IN FOCUS

# A Homecoming to My New Brand New Home

Homecomings are always a remarkable time at Andrews University.

The flags...the charming parade... renewed connections with teachers and classmates and our memories...all of it is an absolutely cherished experience.

I managed to miss this year's homecoming.

I imagine it would have been different for me.

As I begin my new job here, I also begin a new journey on this campus. In fact, other than attending a meeting here a few years ago, my first extended visit to Andrews University was to be interviewed.

Late this spring, I joined the Andrews family as it pursues a number of journeys.

This includes the celebration of a new century, not just with the world, but with this small village we call home.

And after this century in Berrien Springs, we continue to build and transform this campus.

I recently attended the grand opening of our new seminary building (and the renovation of our older one). It stands not only at the heart of our campus and its mission, but also at the heart of our Seventh-day Adventist church, and its commitment to ministry and mission.

I join with others in awaiting the building of our new Howard Performing Arts Center, a project that reflects the wonderful commitment and support of friends in our community. When it's completed in 2003, this will be a wonderful place to enjoy the music that graces our campus, and to invite neighbors into our midst.

But, most importantly, I walk these curving pathways surrounded by new students. Actually, they're all new to me, coming from absolutely everywhere in this union, this nation, this continent and this world.

As I have walked among these students, I have realized that there is something far more profound than just the statistics we worry over at the start of each school year.

It's simply this: What is most important here is to be fully interested in and passionately committed to the spiritual journey that each student takes—or needs to take.

A few weeks ago, I stood quietly outside a

tent on a Friday night as our orientation program, *All Fired Up*, welcomed in the Sabbath. At the end of his sermon that evening, Keith Grey, one of our seminarians, gave an altar call.

I watched as literally half of this new class of students instantly stood to their feet when that call was given. I had never seen such an immediate and heartfelt response to a call. I sensed in my own heart that this demonstration of the opportunity to understand, accept



Photo by Jeremy Russell

Stephen Payne

*... this is a place where we are  
called to change and transform  
not only our lives, but also  
to change and transform  
the world for God*

and respond to God's call for our lives is something that has always been central and continues to resonate at our home, Andrews University.

I've also spent time looking at our statue of J.N. Andrews.

I sometimes look at him pointing across the lawn. I look at him pointing towards Europe

on that long ago wharf, And I look at him pointing towards God's calling for his life.

As you may know, there's also a trunk represented in that statue.

I've begun to think recently about that trunk and what it represents to us at Andrews.

I realize that to this day, this university, our home, is a place where we are consistently called to pack our trunks.

As we pack these trunks, this is a place where we are called to change and transform not only our lives, but also to change and transform the world for God.

We may not literally have trunks. And some of us will travel the world and some of us will only move across the street.

Regardless, we still find ourselves journeying with Andrews, our namesake and our university home.

Because this mission that J.N. Andrews inspired is still written on our own hearts, and each day, month and year, we undertake journeys with trunks packed full with the calling of God.

*—A special thank you to Stephen Payne, vice president, enrollment management, for writing this guest editorial. In the few short months since his arrival, he has established a positive rapport with faculty, staff and students alike. He's known for his many talents and great ideas. He's also known as the "Gum Guy" since he carries with him a steady supply (and assortment) of gum to share with those he meets. Stephen is a welcome addition to our Andrews family.*

*We hope you enjoy this combined Spring/Summer issue of FOCUS. Although combining these issues wasn't planned, it became necessary in light of administrative changes that took place in our office at a crucial time. We're sorry for this unexpected change and delay, and we appreciate your patience and continued interest. Happily, we are back on track for the next issue and will resume our regular publication schedule.*

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**BSCF Alumni Weekend.** Reunite with old friends. October 5-7.

**Fall Break.** Students will enjoy midsemester relaxation. October 5-8.

**Seminary dedication and alumni reunion.** Celebrate the newly renovated Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. October 6.

**Evangelistic series with speaker Herry Mhando.** Be blessed five nights a week (excluding Monday and Thursday) by this native African. October 12-November 17.

**AUSA/SA Barn Party.** Get into the spirit of fall October 13 at 8 pm.

**Campus-wide open house for the community.** Invite your friends in the community who may never have visited campus to come experience the best from many of our departments. Activities include a farmers market, outdoor concerts, and much more. October 14, 1-5 pm.

**Centennial concert.** Enjoy this concert free of charge as a gift to the community in honor of our centennial. Featuring Maurita Phillips-Thornburgh, soprano. October 14, 7:30 pm, Priscilla U. Byrns Heritage Center, St. Joseph.

**College Days.** We will welcome Lake Union academy and high school students for lots of fun, helpful information and an overnight stay on campus. October 14-15.

**Week of Spiritual Emphasis.** With speaker Herry Mhando. October 15-19.

**HMS Richards Lectureship on biblical preaching.** October 28-29.

**Anniversary of the first day of classes held in Berrien Springs.** October 30.

**Adventist Engaged Encounter.** An intensive and spiritual weekend geared toward engaged and newly married couples. November 2-4.

**"Bring Joy! Give Thanks! A Feast of Hymns."** The Centennial Committee presents a hymn festival. November 17, 8:20 am and 11:20 am.

**Thanksgiving Break.** Enjoy family fellowship and good food. November 21-25.



*This photo was taken by Heather O'Beirne on the recent photo safari trip to Tanzania*

**A dinner celebration in honor of Daniel Augsburg's 60th year of teaching at Andrews University.** Join us on October 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Wolverine Room, Campus Center. Tickets are \$25 (\$10 for designated retirees). Proceeds will go for the Augsburg scholarship fund and are tax deductible.

**SA chocolate nite.** Come experience chocoholic heaven. October 27, 7:30 pm.

For more information about these and other events at Andrews University, please call 1-800-253-2874 or visit us on the Web at [www.andrews.edu](http://www.andrews.edu). Click on news and events.

# LETTERS

## RESPONSES TO ZWEMER

Thank you for printing Tom Zwemer's letter in the Winter 2001 edition. I wholeheartedly agree with every word. I can't believe that a church that hangs on to such self-righteousness, political cover-ups and narrow mindedness can even exist. I sound bitter...I am still a member of a local SDA church and have a minor in religion from Andrews but I am so saddened to see how the "powers that be" are responding to obvious error and Scriptural misinterpretation. I have never received a real answer to my questions from religion...especially SDAism. Yes, we are called to tell a story, not promote a denomination.

*Kimberly Potts  
Canton, OH*

I was disappointed that you chose to give a platform to Tom Zwemer's letter (Winter 2001). In three short paragraphs the writer attempts to degrade the Spirit of Prophecy by suggesting *Pilgrims Progress* as a substitute for this precious Gift God has given His church. I won't comment further on his advancing the thought of portraying Christ as a dog except to say that my Bible reveals Jesus as the Lamb of God. Furthermore, the writer proposes to "abandon" the doctrine of the fourth commandment which specifically says to "keep the Sabbath holy." He refers to this sacred command as merely a "concept." If it is the purpose of *Focus* to stimulate controversy by providing a forum for undermining the foundation of this church, then you, together with the writer, have succeeded.

If he insists on describing Christianity as a story then he should get the "Story" straight. If we follow his rendition of the "Story," there will be no "perfect final generation." I love to tell the "Story" too, but let's make sure we tell the whole story, especially the part about saved by grace, judged by the law, and rewarded according to our obedience. Remember, part of that "Story" is that He accepts us where we are but does not expect us to remain there.

Contrary to the writer's allegation, Christianity is a "religion." Let's not be afraid to say it. It is a religion that tells the "Story"

of Jesus. He leads us higher than the highest human thought could ever reach. This is God's ideal for us. Praise be to God for the gift of His Son and for the gift of the Spirit of Prophecy to His Remnant.

*Thomas R. Knoll, Sr. (BD '69)  
Staunton, VA*

## MOTHER WITHOUT BIAS

If there is any fitting description for Andrews University, I would say she is a mother who accepts all people from the east, west, north, and south. For her, color or creed is no barrier. Socioeconomic status of an individual makes no difference to her. An ideal mother indeed!

I say this with precision, accuracy and without any flattery. After all, people all around the globe recognize what Andrews is doing in the area of education—helping millions to acquire a Christian education which is wholistic in nature.

I am what I am today because of the extension and affiliated programs offered by



*Dr. and Mrs. Patrick Manu with  
their sons, Premchand and Prashant*

Andrews University. I obtained a BA from the Andrews ASWA extension campus in Nigeria in 1985. Thereafter I earned an MA in education from the Andrews Spicer Memorial College, India in 1988. This degree

provided me with the opportunity to do my PhD in an Indian university. I was the first graduate from an Andrews program to be accepted into an Indian University PhD program.

I did not know what Mother Andrews looked like until after I finished my doctoral studies. In the summer of 1998, I traveled to Andrews for the first time for my post doctoral upgrading.

I would like to congratulate Andrews for spreading Christian education, including to those who cannot be physically present at Andrews. I would also like to thank the affiliation and extension office for their good work. God bless Andrews University and her affiliated colleges.

*Dr. Patrick Manu  
Spicer Memorial College*

## HEALTHFUL DEDICATION

So nice to read "Healthful dedication" in *Focus* and to thereby receive an update on Hedwig Jemison. We experienced Mrs. Jemison's caring, dedication and enthusiasm at the Seminary, 1970-1973, as well as her untiring skill when she set up the Ellen G. White/SDA Research Centre at Avondale College, 1976. Thank God for people like her.

*Arthur Patrick  
Avondale College  
Cooranbong, Australia*

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# CAMPUS UPDATE

## Wonderful example of partnership

Eight Andrews University Religion Department students spent their summer in an unconventional way this year as a part of the Summer Field School of Evangelism, which took place at the Niles Westside SDA Church in Niles, Mich. The field school ran from May 29-August 8 and featured evangelist Dan Towar.



**FIELD SCHOOL TEAM (L-R):** Scott Manly, Ghesi Blanco, Marina Amador, Alex Carpenter, Jonathan Fields, Ben An, Jose Bourget, Marlene Santiago, Shallena Russell, Glenn Russell

The first three weeks of field school were spent preparing for the upcoming meetings by door-to-door visitation, covering the vast majority of the city. The students involved enjoyed seeing the results of their hard work pay off as people they invited on their door-to-door visitations attended. For example, one day Ghesi Blanco knocked at a door and met a gentleman who had read a book about the Sabbath and was already keeping it, without a church family. He is now attending church.

"Field School was a wonderful example of an educational partnership between the Lake Union, Michigan Conference, and the Andrews University Religion Department," says Glenn Russell, director of the program. "The Lake Union provided the funding for student scholarships and the Michigan conference cared for the actual evangelistic

expenses. The result was a practical and inspirational educational experience for the students as they touched lives for Jesus. We had classes every day but some of the best learning took place on doorsteps and in living rooms as students searched for those eager to learn God's truth."

Students appreciated Dan and Patsy Towar's authentic Christianity. The Niles church, under the leadership of John Abbott's pastoral team, was a hospitable church family for the new believers. One of the added blessings of the summer was the involvement of members from the Niles Philadelphia church and the planting of a new Spanish church company in Niles. It was truly a partnership experience . . . working together for God's glory.

"Doing evangelism isn't necessarily about getting high numbers in baptism and in attendance but about relationships . . . about the people and their needs," said Jose Bourget, junior theology major and student practicum coordinator. As the evangelistic series continued students rejoiced with the nine bap-

tisms that took place; and in knowing that God is preparing even more in the coming weeks.

The last appointment of the field school was a praise service as students, church members and newly baptized members gathered together to give God the glory for the good work He has done and will continue to do. As Shallena Russell says, "The purpose of everything we did was to win others to Christ, so they might love Him and know His love. It has created in my heart a thirst to dedicate my life completely to Him and to labor unceasingly for the salvation of others."

## School of Business hosts conference

On June 28-30 an impressive group of college and university business faculty members from around North America, Australia, England, Mexico, South Africa, and the Philippines descended on the campus of Andrews University for the third biennial SDA Business Teachers Conference. This year the conference theme was: REACHING THE WORLD: International, Intercultural, and Ethical Issues.

The three-day conference featured Dr. Ted Ward from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, who shared the "Seven Puzzles of Intercultural Business" in the opening plenary session. Dr. Carlos Schwantes, St. Louis Mercantile Library Professor of Transportation Studies, University of Missouri, and formerly professor of history at Walla Walla College, pictured, both figuratively and literally, the workings inside the executive suite of a Fortune 500 Corporation as the after-dinner banquet presentation. Dr. Schwantes has recently completed a history of Phelps-Dodge Corporation, and he shared his own intercultural experience in dealing with a company's history which includes environmental and labor issues not generally familiar to the academic world.

Mr. Rolf Gerber, a SDA businessman who is the CEO of the Singapore Branch of the Swiss Bank, UBS, focused on international business issues on the second day of the conference with his session entitled "Globalization: Myth or Reality?" Dr. Shirley Roels, director of the Spoelhof Family Institute at Calvin College, expanded on the text from creation on man's placement in God's garden and related it to the work business organizations do in society. The conference closed on Sabbath with a focus on ethical issues on Sabbath with conversations led by Dr. Robert Johnston and Dr. Miroslav Kis, both of the Theological Seminary at Andrews University.

Over 50 business faculty from fifteen schools attended not only the plenary sessions but the various break-out sessions. The next business teachers' conference will take place in the summer of 2003.



# CAMPUS UPDATE

## Graduation season

Andrews University's spring commencement took place on May 13, 2001, and made 193 graduate students and 299 undergraduate students proud owners of an Andrews diploma.

April Summitt, assistant professor of history, spoke for the Friday evening consecration and challenged students to "Go Ahead and Push Your Luck." Gerry D. Karst, vice president for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and chairman of the Andrews University Board of Trustees, spoke for both Sabbath morning baccalaureate services and asked "What Do These Stones Mean?" Samy Watson, deputy minister of agriculture and Agri-Food for Canada, spoke for both commencement services and assured students that "You Are the Chosen."

During each commencement ceremony, two special honors were awarded to four different people. Matthew Bediako, secretary for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree, and Allan Buller, former president of Worthington Foods,

received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree. Russell Staples, professor emeritus of world mission, and Richard T.



**CELEBRATION TIME (L-R):** Kelly Knowlton (current student), Stacy Karpenko (BT '01, BA '00), Rebecca May, director of Alumni Services, and Shelley Trubey (BA '01)

Orrison, professor of teacher education, each received the J. N. Andrews Medallion.

A total of 735 students became proud alumni of Andrews University at the August 12, 2001, graduation. Including the affiliated schools, there were 519 undergraduate can-

didates and 216 graduate candidates.

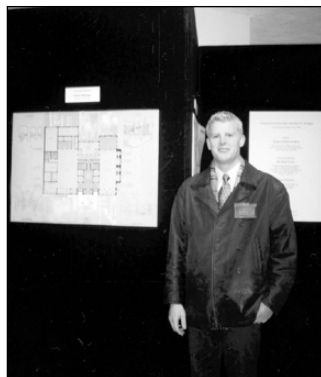
Edwin Hernandez, program officer, religion program of *The Pew of Charitable Trusts*, delivered the commencement address titled "The Law of the Few."

An honorary degree was conferred upon Mikhail P. Kulakov, Sr., a Seventh-day Adventist considered by many to be one of the most influential leaders in the history of the church. Born in Leningrad to the family of an Adventist minister who was laboring for conscience amidst state-enforced atheism, Kulakov endured persecution, relocation and the periodic arrests of his father. After becoming the leader of underground worship services, he, too, was arrested and sentenced to hard labor in the Gulag followed by exile to Kazakhstan. His release in 1953 and the eventual ascendancy of Gorbachev to power, enabled underground Adventists to finally forge a formal tie with the General Conference. From this, the organization of a Euro-Asia Division of Seventh-day Adventists was established under Pastor Kulakov's presidency as well as construction of the first Protestant seminary and the first Protestant publishing house in Russia.

## Honorable architecture

Chad Steinke, a 22-year-old Andrews University senior, spent the fall semester of 2000 learning about the needs, concerns and lifestyles of senior citizens at the St. Joseph-Lincoln Senior Center in St. Joseph, Mich., and in the process, received national recognition and an invitation to the United Nations in New York.

Steinke's senior center expansion and addition design received an honorable mention, a distinguished recognition considering that only three projects—one first place award and two honorable men-



**Chad Steinke**

tions—were recognized.

"Having this work displayed is definitely an honor," said Steinke. "It is very rewarding to receive this kind of report after working long hours with faculty and fellow students. Professionally, simply being entered into a national competition is good for a portfolio or resume. Being selected for an honorable mention is even better."

For more information about Andrews University's division of architecture, e-mail [architecture@andrews.edu](mailto:architecture@andrews.edu), call 616.471.6003, or visit [www.arch.andrews.edu](http://www.arch.andrews.edu). Mark Moreno may be contacted by e-mailing [mmoreno@andrews.edu](mailto:mmoreno@andrews.edu), or calling 616.471.6398.

Mothers often visit their sons and daughters studying in college or university. But what if your son is the president of the uni-



**BIRTHDAY BOY:** President Niels-Erik, Demetra and Erna Andreasen, riding in style during the Alumni Homecoming parade.

versity. When is the best time to go? For 86-year old Erna Andreasen, this was just one of the questions to consider in planning her trip from Copenhagen, Denmark, to Berrien Springs, Michigan. She knew she wanted to be with him, when her son, Niels-Erik Andreasen, celebrated his 60th birthday on May 14, 2000.

# FACULTY AND STAFF

## Faculty and staff receive awards

"An Evening on the Mediterranean" was the theme of this year's annual banquet for faculty, staff and members of the Board of Trustees. For the first time, the Andrews University Senate presented an award on behalf of their organization. The Senate Award, presented to Llewellyn Seibold, administrator of the Division of Architecture, was developed to honor either individuals, departments, or groups who are working in an outstanding way to advance the mission of Andrews.

This year's recipients of the Excellence Awards were as follows:

Hourly staff excellence award: **Carlene Johnson**, executive secretary for the vice president of academic administration.

Salaried staff excellence award: **John (Jack) Mentges**, associate dean of men.

Faculty excellence awards: **Bill Chobotar**, professor of biology, and **Stephen Zork**,

associate professor of music.

Receiving awards for 25 years of service were **Thomas L. Baker**, Andrews Academy; **Sharon Constantine**, College of Arts &



**EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS:** Jack Mentges, Carlene Johnson, Bill Chobotar and Stephen Zork

Sciences dean's office; **George R. Knight**, church history; **Murray H. Lofthouse**, College of Technology; **David A. Nelson**, grounds; **Malcolm B. Russell**, economics; and **Joseph W. Warren**, English.

Those honored for 30 years of service were **William W. Davidson**, engineering; **A. Josef Greig**, religion; **Eldon Hummel**, plant service; **Robert M. Johnston**, New Testament;

**Robert E. Kingman**, physics; **John R. Pangman**, physical education; and **Richard C. Sowler**, plant services.

**Robert A. Wilkins**, chemistry, received an award for 35 years of service.

## Greene receives dissertation award

Glenda-mae Greene ('70, '71, '98) received the American Education Research Association (AERA) Selma Greenberg Outstanding Dissertation Award on April 11, 2001 in Seattle.

The arts-based dissertation, "A longitudinal study on the essence of success development as seen by Caribbean Canadian women in the storied landscape of their lived experience," was completed in July 1998. Her chair, Dr. Shirley Freed ('91) was present for the celebration.

Dr. Barbara Thayer-Bacon, chair of the Outstanding Dissertation committee, noted that the reviewers agreed that Greene's work was a significant contribution to qualitative research development, particularly as it applies to research of women in education.

## Science sings the blues and nurtures scientists

Desmond H. Murray, assistant professor of chemistry at Andrews University, has been working on two different projects which will help the scientific world.

He received a \$40,000, one-year TAPPI (Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry) Foundation award for the research project "Development of High Performance Multicationic Alkali Blues."

"[This award] will help provide opportunities for undergraduate researchers to know

the thrills of science, from conception to implementation," says Murray. The project is part of a larger research program directed towards the discovery of new colorants of dyes and pigments.

"All of the research that we do is done by undergraduate students," Murray said.

"The grant itself is a result of undergraduate work. Ruth Ramlalsingh is a senior from Canada who is majoring in bio-chemistry (and pre-med). She did a substantial amount of the basic work that resulted in the submission of

the proposal. "She did enough to give us a foundation to stimulate other areas that we want to look at, including alkali blues,"



**TESTING THE BLUES:** Desmond Murray and assistant, Ruth Ramlalsingh

Murray explained. "Our students do original, independent research projects every year for a 9-10 week stretch in the spring semester. From that I can write grant proposals. The TAPPI foundation award was a result of Ruth's project."

As well Murray recently designed a program called the Benton Harbor Science Initiative for Benton Harbor (Mich.) high school and college students. The program, which allows students with interest and aptitude in science to work at Andrews for ten weeks during the summer.

"This investment in the development of our students will provide opportunities they generally do not have access to and will facilitate their growth towards becoming responsible professionals and citizens. For more information about the TAPPI grant or the B.H.Science Initiative, contact Desmond Murray at 616.471.6087 or e-mail him at <murrayd@andrews.edu>.



# PHILANTHROPY

## Freda's legacy

Born in 1906 in the little town of Bippus, Ind., Freda White was an only child. From records and conversations with Freda, we know that after high school she was married for a short time to a serviceman. Later she became a licensed practical nurse and worked as an LPN until her retirement. In 1913, her folks bought a home in Huntington, and Freda lived in this family home until her death in April of 2000.

It was during an evangelistic meeting, held in 1947 by Elder Cemer in Huntington, that Freda made a decision to join the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Freda's relationship with Andrews



Freda White

University began in 1967 when she wrote asking for assistance in establishing a living trust agreement. At that time, Freda was 61 years old, her father was no longer living and she lived with her 83-year-old mother. Other than her mother, Freda's only close relative was an aunt. Her estate was estimated to be approximately \$100,000 and she wanted to leave it all to charity. So began a thirty-three year relationship between Freda White and Andrews University.

In one of her letters Freda stated, "I have been to the University on two occasions with a friend. Her son is a student there. A very beautiful campus!" Amazingly, these visits were the catalyst for her interest in Andrews and led to her contacting the University about a trust. She never again visited the campus; however, her interest in

providing opportunities for Christian education for worthy students never ceased.

Through the years, trust officers who assisted Freda described her as: determined — maybe even a little stubborn — a planner, hard-working, feisty, self-sufficient, faithful. When Freda passed away at the age of 93, she left more than \$500,000 for the work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, of which Andrews University received \$367,000 as an unrestricted gift. According to Sharon Terrell, Director of Planned Giving and Trust Services, a portion of this bequest will be used to establish The Freda White Endowed Scholarship Fund, and the remainder will be added to other gifts for construction of a new entrance from US Highway 31 into the Andrews campus. We think Freda would be pleased!

## Korean Trust Services staff visit Andrews

On May 2, 2001, Planned Giving & Trust Services personnel were pleased to host

seven guests from the Korean Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. The Korean trust service personnel began their 14-day NAD Trust Services Field Study Trip at Andrews University. Because Trust Services is a fairly new department in Korean conferences, the purpose of this trip was to see materials and systems in operation that might be used in their home conferences.

According to Sharon Terrell, PG/TS Director, Johnng Haeng Kwon, Trust Services

Director for the Korean Union, served as translator for the one-day training session. Other participants from Korea included Myung Kyu Lee, Legal Director for the Korean Union, Woo Myung Ryu, Treasurer and TRS Director of the East Central Korean



**PLANNED GIVING & TRUST SERVICES HOSTS KOREANS:** David Faehner, vice president for advancement, Sharon Terrell, Director, PG/TS and staff members Tari Popp and Claudia Sowler, with seven Trust directors from the Korean Union

Conference; In Hwan Kim, Treasurer and TRS Director of the West Central Korean Conference; Young Tae Jahng, Treasurer and TRS Director of the South East Korean Conference, Si Yul Yum, Secretary, Treasurer & TRS Director from the Midwest Korean Conference and Hue Jung Cho, Secretary, Treasurer and TRS Director from the Southwest Korean Conference.

PG/TS Staff Tari Popp, Accountant/Trust Administrator and Claudia Sowler, Secretary, assisted the Director with the presentations and preparation of the materials that were shared.



Photo by Adam Bujak

**PMC ORGAN GETS A NEW LOOK:** The Centennial Trumpet and Harmonic Flute pipes were dedicated May 12, 2001. This generous gift was given in memory of Beatrice Nelson Hamel, late wife of Paul Hamel (DP '40, BA '48), as a gift from their children Glen (BS '66, MA '67), Gary (BS '75, MBA '76), Loren (BS '76) Lowell (BS '76) and Carl (CERT '74). The colorful banners on each side were designed by Jan Hamel (BS '76), and depict the Andrews University and Pioneer Memorial Church logos.



# “Come On In”

Over 200 people witnessed the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the newly-renovated and expanded seminary building on August 29. From left to right: Patricia Mutch, Niels-Erik Andreasen, Leona Running, David Faehner, John McVay and Edward Wines

## Ambitious Building Projects Expand Andrews University's Welcome

*by Chris Carey*

It's a Tuesday evening, the first day of November, 2003.

You could be anywhere in the world, but you've decided to be right here, in a quiet, beautiful acoustically perfect space.

The concert is about to begin. The first concert ever in the Howard Performing Arts Center, Andrews University's newest building on a campus that is changing and growing as the 21st century begins.

To get here, you've driven down Andrews University's new entrance off of the Old U.S. 31 Hwy, down a tree-lined avenue that brings you to the face of the new seminary building, completed in the summer of 2001. You may see cranes elsewhere on campus, starting the work on Buller Hall, a building that will bring new emphasis to the undergraduate education program at Andrews University.

But now you are here, in a comfortable seat, listening to the bowing of strings, the testing of the tympani drums, the rattle of the conductor's baton against the metal edge of the stand.

The music begins.

### A Remarkable Time For Andrews

As Andrews University completes its first century in Berrien Springs, a number of significant projects are underway on campus, either in plans or actual construction.

"This is a remarkable time for Andrews

University," says Niels-Erik Andreasen, president. "As we embark on a number of significant building projects, we find that we are equipping our campus to serve our community and our students in ways that are deeply important for a Christian university in the 21st century."

All of the projects combined will represent a nearly \$30 million investment in the future of Andrews University.

David Faehner, vice president for university advancement, sees all of these projects as having great significance: "I think we're saying that Andrews has a future, and we have big plans for that future. We're going to be able to meet the needs of a growing community and a growing church."

In this building boom, there are four significant projects either underway or in the active planning stages. They include:

- The seminary addition and renovation. Classes began on August 29, 2001, in the new facility.
- A new entrance and avenue, providing direct access into the heart of the campus
- A performing arts center
- Renovation of Nethery Hall and the addition of Buller Hall to revitalize and expand the resources and space for undergraduate education on campus

Each building project equips Andrews

University to respond to the changing needs of its students, the interests of its immediate community, and its effectiveness in the world.

### Generating Ideas For Better Teaching and Service

The first of the major projects to be completed will be the \$10 million addition to the Seminary. The Seminary is now operating in a space that doubled in size. The existing seminary building has been completely reconfigured and built from the inside, expanding from nine classrooms to 13, and offering about 85 faculty and staff offices, rather than the previous 43.

The new addition houses agencies that have previously been placed elsewhere, and offers technologically-based classrooms that expand the reach and style of teaching preachers and other religious professionals. Those moving into the building included the North American Division Evangelism Institute, the Institute of World missions and the Lake Union Center for Youth Evangelism.

Seminary Professor Jon Paulien sees great synergy and potential in the new approach: "There's an efficiency in bringing all these individuals under one roof. You get a chance to network and discuss what's happening. In turn, we'll be able to generate ideas for better teaching and better service. It makes a lot of

sense to get everybody who's involved in educating pastors and other religious professionals under one roof so that the synergy can take place."

The technology offered in the new addition also offers great potential.

Specifically, it allows Andrews University to move past its original purpose of training theologians on-site. It also allows the Seminary to train pastors that are grounded not only in theology, but also schooled in the practical business of running a church. Additionally, it allows the Seminary to interact with those pastors who can't spend significant periods of time on the Andrews University campus.

Even before moving into the new addition, the Seminary has responded to this last need through its new In-Ministry program to pastors in the field. Under the auspices of this new program, pastors will study via the Internet and other means of distance education for two years, then spend 15 months on campus, then a final two years in distance education.

Paulien, who served as the Seminary faculty's liaison with architects and builders, sees all of these tools as making a significant difference in training pastors.

"Reliable Internet access, the availability of satellite teleconferencing, Internet-based video conferencing — everything we do with our new distance education programs is enhanced by having that new building," says Paulien.

Additionally, the building houses a media center. The space is fully wired, but not yet equipped. When finished, it will offer the potential to televise seminars and similar programs to Adventist institutions all over the world.

The experience it offers to the students using the facilities will also offer a practical benefit.

"Our students will learn how to use TV and radio equipment with actual hands-on experience. I believe that will probably be increasingly important to the work of many religious professionals in the years to come," says Paulien.

### Respect and Support for Andrews University From its Community

The Howard Performing Arts Center, scheduled for completion in 2003, reflects a remarkable story of support from the local community.

This new performance hall, which will cost between \$10 and \$12 million to build, received a major portion of its funding from John and Dede Howard. These St. Joseph residents have

lived in the area for more than half a century. John Howard for many years served as director of the St. Joseph High School Band and the St. Joseph Municipal Band. Both had been interested in, and supportive of cultural institutions, recreational facilities and other educational institutions in their home town.

They had also always been interested in Andrews University. They had attended concerts on the campus, heard Andrews University performers in their community, and listened to the campus FM station, WAUS.

Then, they decided to make the largest contribution that Andrews University has ever received.



*Local contractor and owner of Fiskars Inc., Eric Fiskars (far right) and his wife, engage in warm conversation with former AU president Richard Leshner during Sunday brunch at Alumni Homecoming 2001*

"The Howards respected Andrews University," says Faehner. "These good Christian people, who are not members of our church, decided to share their money with us because they believe we're going to make a contribution with it. They also shared their money because they believe in Andrews, and wanted to give their money to a Christian school."

Finally, says Faehner, the Howards supported Andrews University because of its commitment to service.

"The Howards made this gift to recognize all the years of service our faculty and staff have offered, including people playing the organ, singing or performing in local churches."

This remarkable story will be expanded and continued in the next issue of FOCUS.

### An Invitation

When Andrews University begins inviting its community to concerts in the new Howard Performing Arts Center, they'll be able to enter the campus through a new entrance road, connecting the campus directly from Old US 31 to the Howard Center.

Not only will the new entrance offer a more direct route to campus from the main highway through the area, it will also offer some symbolic benefits.

"We've got to say to our community that

we're here, and here's the way to get here," says Faehner. "Andrews University is an educational opportunity, a spiritual environment, and a place for the community to gather. If we're worth our salt as an institution, we'll say 'Come on in!'"

### Revitalizing the Heart of Andrews University

As these key projects are completed, another significant project will help create a home for the liberal arts, the heart of undergraduate education at the university.

That project will include the renovation of Nethery Hall, home of the College of Arts and

Sciences, and the construction of Buller Hall, named after Allan Buller, the key donor for the project. Buller, an Andrews alumnus, is the retired chairman of Worthington Foods, a giant in the vegetarian food industry and now owned by Kellogg.

Both projects will cost approximately \$10 million, and are slated for completion by 2005.

"When this project is done, we'll have a home for the undergraduates on our campus," says Andreasen. "The liberal arts have always been an essential foundation to each undergraduate student's educa-

tion, and this project will provide a focus for those students."

Buller Hall will be built on the site of Griggs Hall, now inadequate for educating students. The new structure will offer seven classrooms, 25 offices and a lecture auditorium that can also be used for dramatic presentations. At least four departments of the College of Arts and Sciences will be housed there.

It's hoped that the new buildings will also help bolster undergraduate enrollment on the campus.

"In a sense, the undergraduate has been sort of the second child on this campus. I think this building project is an effort to refocus and say the undergraduate enrollment on this campus is important for a lot of reasons," says Wines.

He goes on to add that sometimes new buildings can have a positive effect on an institution's enrollment.

"After the Science complex was built, our enrollment grew and academic advances in science programs increased," says Wines. "Did the building cause that? Maybe not, but it had a part to play. All of these buildings we've been working on and planning for won't make a quality institution in and of themselves. But they'll be important tools in helping us to achieve that dream for Andrews University."



# Those in Charge Meant Business

## The move from Battle Creek to Berrien Springs

The teachers and students put the school's laboratory equipment into boxes. It didn't matter that they hadn't purchased land or that "there wasn't so much as a dollar with which to buy it."<sup>1</sup> Battle Creek College officials determined to move the school away from the negative influences of city life, and they packed up the school belongings—beds, kitchen utensils, library books, school bell—into sixteen boxcars and headed 90 miles southwest to the little village of Berrien Springs.

It was July of 1901 when the College made this move, though the idea of relocating had actually been brewing for several years—at least in the minds of the president of Battle Creek College, Edward A. Sutherland, and his right-hand man, Dean Percy Magan. Ever an "earnest agitator for

removed advanced classes from the curriculum. Farm work, broom-making, tailoring, and carpentry replaced the only industry previously known on campus: "pencil-sharpening."<sup>2</sup> Keen on employing Ellen White's ideals of education reform, Sutherland emphasized manual and agricultural training in place of traditional coursework; but he needed to move the school to a rural environment where students could work the raw land.

Not everyone supported the idea of moving, however. Sutherland's stenographer, Arthur Spalding, noted, "When the project of moving the

College

out of Battle Creek was spoken aloud, there was a great hullabaloo among some of the church notables. Certain men cried from the housetops, and swung their shillelaghs threateningly. . . . 'Just wait until Sister White gets here,' they said, 'and we'll see this wild enterprise collapse!'"<sup>3</sup> But when Sister White addressed educational reform at the 1901 General Conference

session, she simply stated: "God wants the school to be taken out of Battle Creek." She then directed: "Begin at once to look for a place where the school can be conducted on right lines."<sup>4</sup>

A location committee set out on bicycles in April of 1901. Sutherland and Magan rode "through deep sand and dust, on the narrow hilly roads" from South Bend to Berrien Springs. When they arrived in the



*Picking pears on the college farm*



*An early view of the farmland purchased by Sutherland and Magan, 1902*

change," E. A. Sutherland revamped the school's educational system shortly after he accepted the presidency in March of 1907. Students no longer received degrees and diplomas, but certificates instead. Teachers

village on "a lovely day in the month of May, 1901," the "two tired men stacked their bicycles under the beautiful old maple trees lining that plot of land then known as the Garland farm. It was not far distant from the bluff which overlooked the dark waters of the St. Joseph River and the flat lands extending to the left, then classified as the Richardson farm."<sup>5</sup> Sutherland reminisced that they "stood under one of the black walnut trees and ate black walnuts for dinner, as we were looking for a site to which to move the Battle Creek College."<sup>6</sup> The travelers visited other places in southwest Michigan, including South Haven and Benton Harbor; but they repeatedly returned to that plot of land in Berrien Springs, where "the most beautiful vineyard in Berrien County is located," where there was a "beautiful plum orchard,



*Summer school nature study class posing on the bluff, 1904*

a fair pear orchard, and the berries and small fruit are in magnificent condition,"<sup>7</sup> where the land flowed with milk and honey.

And so they moved. They moved before they had even purchased land. They moved quickly because Sutherland feared that his "back-to-the-land movement . . . would have been blocked by the reaction which followed, had not the move been quickly made."<sup>8</sup> The school's sixteen box-cars full of belongings arrived in Berrien Springs in early July. Magan recalls: "We unloaded our stuff at the Indian Fields and stored our things in all the barns and sheds that were available in Berrien Springs."<sup>9</sup> College administrators and the trustees of the Seventh-day Adventist Central Educational Association spent the next few days meeting under trees in the grove, even though they must have sweltered in the record-breaking heat, with temperatures reaching the 100-degree mark.<sup>10</sup> But even the heat did not sway them from their mission, which was to come to a "decision in regard to the purchase of a site for the new missionary college."<sup>11</sup> They reviewed reasons why the school should be settled in Berrien Springs: open land, central location within the Lake Union, accessible railroad facility, empty buildings in town to rent while the college's own buildings were constructed. On July 16, at 7:30 in the morning, the committee moved to buy the Garland and Richardson farms, as well as the Stevens' woodlot; they put a five-dollar down payment on the land. Later that day, the committee "voted, . . . That the new school be christened 'Emmanuel Missionary College.'"<sup>12</sup>

The College had a new location and a new name, yet a fresh beginning did not mean an easy beginning. There were no buildings on the newly purchased college

property, so the teachers and seventy-five students had to stay in the village's vacant buildings—courthouse, prison, sheriff's residence, and hotel. Mary McReynolds, faculty member, recalls the unusual living conditions of that first fall: "After we moved out to the 'campus' in the fall, some of us occupied rooms in the old jail

building. Two of us women were the first ones to sleep in that place. How the old iron doors did creak in this stiff Michigan

hammers—whatever they needed to build their college campus and farm the land. Though the work exhausted students, "the picture of E.M.C. to be"<sup>17</sup> buoyed them.

Building on the farm began in the spring of that first year. Student housing was of particular concern to College administrators, who wanted to see students housed before the chilly fall air set in. Workers constructed a Manual Arts Building, which accommodated a wood shop on the first floor and young men on the second floor. The men all slept in one large room; as tired as they were from manual labor, they still had energy for pillow fights: "How many pillow fights we had there! I never kept track of them, but you could never tell at midnight or nearly when somebody would come around and give you a crack."<sup>18</sup> The women lived in the Domestic



*The rear view of the new campus buildings (1903). Advocate publishing office, Domestic Art Building, and Manual Arts Building (l to r)*

October winds."<sup>13</sup> In addition to housing people, the deserted buildings served as classrooms, chapel, and administrative hall. College officials even invited townspeople to the old buildings to celebrate the launch of the college, an event that was reported by the town newspaper to be "delightfully informal and still it was evident that those in charge meant business."<sup>14</sup>

Sutherland and his faculty did "mean business." They instituted a rigorous schedule for both students and teachers: "We had Chapel and classes from 7 a.m. to 12, then dinner, and every able-bodied person was supposed to report to the farm at 1 or soon after for work."<sup>15</sup> Farm wagons, bicycles, boats, and feet<sup>16</sup> carted students between town and the farm. Once they set foot on campus, students worked all afternoon, wielding rakes, pitchforks, saws, or

Arts Building, which also included the school kitchen, dining room, and utility rooms. As many as seven women occupied one room, and they often had to share beds. Seventeen-year-old Mae McChesney recalls in her diary sleepless nights: "Did so much kicking the night before that Miss Howe could hardly sleep. Never spent quite such a night."<sup>19</sup>

More buildings continued to go up over the next few months—teacher housing, printing office, and chapel. When Sutherland described this time of transition some twenty years later, he reflected that "it required a stretch of faith to tear up a well-established institution. . . and to attempt to establish that institution in the midst of new environments and along practically untried methods."<sup>20</sup> But he had visions of educational reform to follow, and each new building students construct-

ed, each new plot of land they tilled, helped fulfill that vision. At the Founders' Golden Anniversary celebration, Magan remarked, "As I look out over these beautiful fields and orchards today, over all the good buildings. . . I can not help but feel God had looked down very graciously upon the little beginning that was made at that time."<sup>21</sup>

*Amy Marcarian (MA '00) taught writing courses in the English Department at Andrews University and served as research assistant on the commemorative book project.*

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## A Century of Place & Purpose Upcoming Centennial Events 2001-2002

### 2001

#### October 14

*Campus-wide Open House for Community*  
1-5 p.m.

Live music, door prizes, refreshments, farmer's market, gallery shows, and museums.

#### Centennial Concert

7 p.m.

Priscilla Byrns Heritage Center  
St. Joseph, Mich.

Maurita Phillips-Thornburgh, renowned soprano soloist from California, whose performance repertoire includes music of the baroque era.

#### October 30

*Commemoration of first day of classes in Berrien Springs*

#### November 17

*"Bring Joy! Give Thanks! A Feast of Hymns"*

8:20 a.m. and 11:20 a.m.

Pioneer Memorial Church

Sing and enjoy hymns from 1901-2001.

#### December 16

*Christmas Program for Community*  
7 p.m.

Johnson Auditorium

A light-hearted program of your Christmas favorites. Watch for Santa Claus.

### 2002

#### January 13

*Winterfest*

3-5 p.m. Family activities

5-6 p.m. Supper

6-8 p.m. Student activities

Celebrating winter with games and activities. Something for everyone!

#### March 24

*Centennial Concert*

7:30 p.m.

Mendel Center, Benton Harbor, Mich.

Peter Cooper, pianist and Chair of AU Music Department, performs with the Southwest Michigan Symphony Orchestra.

#### April 14

*Centennial Concert*

7 p.m.

Priscilla Byrns Heritage Center

St. Joseph, Mich.

Alex Klein, a renowned oboist, has worked with the world's top conductors, soloists and living composers.

## SO VERY SIMPLE



A \$100 scholarship is available to all babies born to Andrews University alumni during this Centennial year, April 1, 2001 to April 30, 2002. All those who receive the \$100 scholarship will be eligible for a drawing for a \$2001 scholarship. Send copy of birth certificate and full name of parents so alumni status can be verified at the Alumni Office. Further details at [www.andrews.edu/alumni/centennial](http://www.andrews.edu/alumni/centennial).

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To obtain a copy of the scholarship application visit  
[www.andrews.edu/alumni/centennial/scholarship/](http://www.andrews.edu/alumni/centennial/scholarship/)





## Alumni Homecoming Weekend, April 26—29, 2001

From “Deep Roots the Future Unfolds” was the theme of weekend activities which also kicked off the events of our centennial. It was 100 years ago that Percy Magan and E. A. Sutherland purchased property in Berrien Springs to move Battle Creek College to a rural setting. The entertainment for the Gala Banquet told this story through historical skits. Friday evening included ceremonial kick-off of the Centennial. Alumni gathered on the steps of Nethery Hall to sing the school song and listen to the Battle Creek Bell (which now hangs in Nethery Hall) ring out 100 times. Alumni “raised the rafters” of PMC, praising God through congregational singing and preaching of the word on Sabbath morning. The afternoon held plenty of time for visiting the myriad activities around campus as well as visiting with old friends. Vespers was a beautiful concert of the Andrews Symphony Orchestra. Saturday night provided “Entertainment Through the Decades,” including a rousing Grand March in Johnson Auditorium. For more pictures of homecoming activities please be sure to visit [www.andrews.edu/alumni/scrapbook/hc](http://www.andrews.edu/alumni/scrapbook/hc).





*The old Battle Creek Bell rang out 100 times to mark the beginning of the celebration of "A Century of Place & Purpose"*



*Joe Grieg's retirement celebration honoring 30 years of service to Andrews University*





*The annual Alumni Parade brings smiles to everyone's face.  
The Religion Department won Grand Prize this year.*



*A beautiful evening for this long-standing tradition—  
International Flag Raising*





*Old friends are the heart of homecoming*



*Dwight K. Nelson speaks to a packed house on Sabbath morning,  
"Cadences of Home: The Education of an Exile"*



*The Rosehill Cemetery Tour, part of the kickoff of the Centennial. One of  
the costumed guides was Lauren Matacio*

# ALUMNI NEWS

## **Paul E. Cannon (BA '63, MA '64, MDiv '75) Carol A. Cannon (BA '61, MA '67)**

Paul and Carol Cannon prepared, academically, for a life of service to the church. Carol, a native of Foley, Alabama, received a bachelor's degree in religion, and a master's degree in instruction and supervision. Paul, who comes from Greenville, Pennsylvania, pursued undergraduate studies in theology and went on to earn a master's in religion and a master of divinity, preparing him for the pastoral ministry.

Paul pastored in the Pennsylvania conference from 1964-66, then served as associate leader of the youth department of the Potomac Conference. The Cannons moved back to Berrien Springs from 1967-75 for Paul to teach in the undergraduate religion program. He was ordained in Pioneer Memorial Church in 1968. Carol taught for the Eau Claire Public Schools, and then was director of Kindercare preschool in Berrien Springs from 1971-74. During this time their family grew to include two sons, Paul II and Kurt.

Then in 1974 they took a dramatic leap of faith, and established The Bridge, a residential recovery center, located in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The Bridge specializes in prevention and early intervention of codependence and other "clean" addictions, many of which are common among conservative Christians. Since then the center has provided treatment services for nearly 2000 addicts and their families. Carol serves as program director. Paul is chaplain and president.

About this work, Carol says, "When I was a student at Andrews University/Emmanuel Missionary College, I was inspired by—infused with—the spirit of consecrated instructors whose work was a ministry, not just a job. Ten year later, when my husband was teaching in the undergraduate school at Andrews, we experienced a unique calling to serve the "lost sheep" of the church (young people who were drawn to destructive behavior, often through circumstances not of their own choosing). This became our lifelong ministry, and it began at Andrews

University."

In addition to their ministry at The Bridge, Carol writes a monthly column for "Signs of the Times," has published one book and is currently writing a second. She has also authored a primary drug prevention curriculum for SDA elementary and junior high schools, as well as materials for drug and alcohol resistance training for SDA secondary schools. Carol is a nationally certified chemical dependency counselor, and holds membership in two professional organizations.



*From left to right: Royce C. Thompson, Øystein S. LaBianca, Carol A. and Paul E. Cannon*

Together, Paul and Carol are copresenters for "Capable of Caring," a drug awareness seminar for parents, teachers and school administrators, and "Good Fences Make Good Fellowship," a workshop for churches and church leaders on how to establish and maintain healthy boundaries in Christian families and communities. They have furthered this ministry of prevention and intervention through numerous workshops in academies, colleges, churches, and camp-meetings throughout the U.S. and Canada.

In 1999 the Cannons traveled to Nizhny Novgorod, Russia, for a pilot seminar for health professionals of the Euro-Asia Division working with addictions. This program was sponsored by Development Services International and funded by A.S.I.

Paul served two terms as vice president for the Kentucky-Tennessee chapter of A.S.I. and he also makes time to be an active member of

their local church, serving as elder, Sabbath School teacher and board member. He also is involved in local Rotary and serves on the board of the volunteer fire department.

For their passionate, tireless efforts to combat addictive behaviors, and for the unique team ministry they have provided to the SDA Church and its communities, Andrews University honors Paul and Carol Cannon as Honored Alumni of 2001.

## **Øystein S. LaBianca (BA '71)**

Øystein Sakala LaBianca, a native of Norway, came to the United States to pursue his education. In 1971 he received a bachelor of arts degree in behavioral science from Andrews University, graduating with honors.

His graduate education took him to Harvard University in 1972-73 where he was enrolled as a special student and then to Loma Linda University, where he earned a masters degree in anthropology in 1976. In 1987 Sten received a doctor of philosophy degree in anthropology from Brandeis University, where he was a Sacchar Fellow.

Sten returned to Andrews University in 1981 as an instructor in the Behavioral Science department, subsequently becoming the

chair of the department in 1984. Since he was appointed chair, enrollment has more than tripled in the department. He has worked diligently to change the university culture from one of community disengagement to one of community service commitment in which students and faculty work to sustain human and health service programs in the Southwestern Michigan community through volunteerism. His work in integrating service and learning was recognized in 1986 by a Carnegie Foundation "Salute to Extraordinary Contributions to Undergraduate Education" as well as by an award for teaching excellence by Andrews University in 1991.

He has also initiated a number of innovative programs, such as the interdisciplinary major in health psychology which has attracted more than 30 majors. More recently Sten initiated a master of arts in administration



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degree with a focus on community service and international development.

He created the Community Service Assistantship Program which provides a field experience to Andrews students who are planning a career in community service and gives an opportunity to young men and women to be of service to the community of Benton Harbor, working with various agencies and institutions which provide a variety of services in that city.

In 1991, he received an award from the Andrews office of International Students Services for promoting international understanding on the campus through his teaching and lifestyle.

A prolific writer, Sten has authored several articles on biblical archaeology and a number of scholarly books. He participates in professional associations, including the American Anthropological Association, American School of Oriental Research, Institute for the Advancement of Health, Society of American Archaeology, and the Society for Medical Anthropology. He has served as chief anthropologist on archaeology digs in Jordan and Egypt, as well as served as codirector of the Madaba Plains Project in Jordan.

In addition to his creative, aggressive professional schedule, Sten is a family man, devoted to the happiness, health and creative development of his family which includes his wife, Asta, and three sons, Erik, Aren and Ivan. He gives generously of his time to the ministries of Pioneer Memorial Church and participates in several music ensembles.

For his personal commitment to generous service to the community and church, and for inspiring that same commitment in others,

the Andrews University Alumni Association honors Øystein S. LaBianca as an Honored Alumnus of 2001.

## Royce C. Thompson (BA '51, MBA '68)

Royce Thompson has solid roots in the Midwest but has bloomed into a tree of international stature. Born in Hinsdale, Illinois, he looks back on his total of seven years at EMC/Andrews University "with fondness" for a time "when we all knew each other by name." He attended EMC Academy for three years and EMC for four, graduating with a BA in 1951. Returning 16 years later he finished his MBA in 1968. He is married to the former Elaine Christensen who also graduated from EMC. They have two children, Cheryl Galusha, a nurse, and Kevin Thompson, a physician. Royce and Elaine enjoy retirement in Redlands, California.

"Even though most of my work experience has been in hospital administration, I learned the ethics of sound business practices at EMC. Work opportunities were great, and I appreciated the experience of working in the Business Office where I learned my way around an accounting office under the guidance of Earl Beaty, Robert MacMorland, and Wilson Trickett. My thanks go out to my former faculty members who made my college experience a positive one."

Beginning work after college at the Illinois Book and Bible House as an assistant manager from 1951-1955, with a two-year break for military service in 1952 and 1953, Royce spent the next three years as Assistant Treasurer for the Illinois Conference (1955-57). Destined not to be an assistant all his life, the

Thompsons began 23 years of mission service at Bella Vista Hospital in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico where he was Administrator for 11 years (1958-69). Asia beckoned with five years of service as Administrator of Bangkok Adventist Hospital (1969-74), and seven years in Singapore, the first three as Treasurer of the Southeast Asia Union (1974-77) and then four years as Assistant Treasurer of the Far Eastern Division (1977-80). Returning to the United States, he spent 10 years at Florida Hospital in Orlando, first as an administrative assistant (1980-81), then Vice President (1981-83), and Senior Vice President (1984-91). In 1991 he became the President of Florida Hospital in Waterman, Florida, a position he held until his retirement in mid-1997.

A list of professional accomplishments only touches the surface of the contributions that Royce has made to his church and society. A member of Rotary for 15 years, he was a Board member of the Seminole County Chamber of Commerce for 10 years, serving as President for one year. He has been a board member of the American Red Cross. Those who have known Royce speak of him in glowing terms. One who is also in hospital administration has described him as "an administrator who also had a pastoral heart; he cared for his employees." His commitment to mission led this hospital administrator to organize mission trips among the hospital employees, trips that were undoubtedly a blessing to the employees and to the mission. It is for this commitment to service that Andrews University honors Royce C. Thompson as an Honored Alumnus of 2001.

## Alumni gathering in Florida

A group of 18 alumni and former staff met at Leesburg, Fla., on February 18, 2001, for lunch and visiting, organized by Weldon and Marilyn Fivash. Pictured left to right, front row: Alma Brown, Donna Peterson, Barbara Niswander, Betty Phillips, Phyllis Show, Marilyn Fivash, Murna Wager, Nona Ludeman, Mary Collar; back row: Victor R. Brown, Gene Peterson, Melvin Niswander, Hal Phillips, Larry Show, Weldon Fivash, Wyman Wager, Bob Ludeman, Bob Collar.



# CLASS NOTES

1930s



**CLASS OF 1931:**  
*Irene Wakeham Lee*

1940s



**CLASS OF 1941, from left: Allan Buller, Mickey Buller, Roscoe Swan, Dyre Dyresen**

**PAUL CALES** (BA '45) is a retired teacher and lives in Winchester, Ore. He continues to work as a substitute teacher in the area public high schools. Paul is editor of "The Bee Line," the national publication of Clan Fergusson of North America; treasurer of the Douglas County (Ore.) Scottish Society and is a past-president; hosts several



*Paul Cales*



**CLASS OF 1951, first row, from left: Lester Halvorsen, Hilman Culp, Oscar Haynes; second row: R. C. Fox, Maxine Sears, Bonnie Stover Costerisan, Barbara Spencer Bengtson, George Arzoo, Jean Bakland, Alvina Cinquemani, Thelma Gilbert, Alta Philo-Zdun, Delores Ferree, Myrtle Culp; third row: John F. Neumann, Don Mann, Royce Thompson, Harry E. Rice, Jim Wolter, Doris Wolter, Helen Swanson, Freda Harrison Wilson, Marvin B. Anderson, Helen Anderson; fourth row: John Erhard, Charles Yoshida, Kenneth Dunn, Harold Grundset, Richard Hill, Austin Sawvell, William Hawkes, Robert Dunn, Arden Mote; fifth row: Don Schlager, Roger Hunt, Martin Fishell, David Hodge, Jim Davidson, Don Fahrback, Ray Mayor, Beverly Husted Doll, Victor Brown, Tom Doll**

internet genealogy activities including FERGUSON\_L@roots-web.com. He also is a member of the Oregon SDA men's chorus. Paul and his wife have one son, Richard, and two adult grandchildren.

**MARILYN (WEIN) FIVASH** (BA '48) and her husband, **L. WELDON** (BA '50), are retired and live in Leesburg, Florida. Marilyn writes, "The most challenging and rewarding project I have done as a volunteer is to organize a Vegetarian Club in the

retirement park where we live. We have a monthly vegetarian potluck followed by an education film or a professional speaker on vegetarianism or a related health topic. Attendance has been 50-60 people."

1950s

In September 2000 **JOSEPH** (BA '53) and **Anne KRPALEK** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Joe graduated from EMC in 1953 and began a tradition that has continued through the family for three generations. The three Krpalek children and each of

their spouses all graduated from Andrews University. They have five grandchildren; the two oldest grandchildren, Ben Moushon and Michele Krpalek, are college age and chose to continue the family tradition of higher education at Andrews University. Joe and Ann are retired living in Shingle Springs, Calif. They are active with Community Services at their local church. Donald and Jan live in Sparks, Nev., where Don is the Education and Youth Director for the Nevada-Utah



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Conference. Jan is administrative assistant for the president of the conference. Richard and Cheryl



**KRPALEK 50TH ANNIVERSARY:** Jan (Green) and Don Krpalek, Datha (Krpalek) and Paul Tickner, Joseph and Anne Krpalek, Richard and Cheryl (Krpalek) Moushon.

Moushon live in Russiaville, Ind. Richard is the senior estate planner with a large trust company. Cheryl is a material analyst for Dephi Delco Electronics. Paul and Datha Tickner live in LaSelva Beach, Calif. Paul is an architect working in Carmel and Datha teaches at Monterey Bay Academy.

**W. DUANE DODD** (BA '57) is a retired physician living in Ooltewah, Tenn. – "worked hard, got tired, retired! Left California in 1998, traveled in motor home for 2 1/2 years. Have now settled in Ooltewah with plans to travel part-time." His wife, Elaine (Tarr), retired from her work as director of public relations at *It Is Written*. They have three married children and eight grandchildren.

**ROGER H. FERRIS** (MA '57, EdD '86) is retired and lives in Seattle, Wash. In January 2001 he was named pastor emeritus of the Park SDA Church, where he served 1972-85, and again as interim pastor 1999-2001. Roger is building a full-size railroad at Sunset Lake SDA Youth Camp. He also stays busy serving on the Washington Conference Board of Education, Auburn Academy operating board, and

development committees for the academy and youth camp.

## 1960s

**MISHAEL S. MUZE** (BA '64) retired from active service from Solusi University in Zimbabwe, and is currently living in Birmingham, Ala. His wife, Ruth, is a doctoral student in nursing at the University of Alabama. They have four children.

Her husband, George, is a physician. They have two sons, Leonard and Francisco, and live in Forbes Roads, Penn.

**STANLEY E. HARRIS** (BS '74) has been elected to Fellowship in the American Psychiatric Association to recognize outstanding achievement in at least five areas of professional endeavor. In addition, the Southern California Lamda Medical Association has conferred its "Lifetime Achievement Award" on him in

**MANUEL VELAZQUEZ** (EdD '77) lives in LaGrange, Illinois. He is the director of Teacher Recertification and Professional Standards for Chicago Public Schools (CPS), the third largest school system in the United States. Since leaving Andrews University, he has worked as the Antillian Union Education Director in the Interamerican Division, Illinois Conference as youth pastor and school principal, and assistant director Personnel Services and Staffing in the CPS system.



**CLASS OF 1961, first row, from left:** Carol Cannon, Wilma Doering McClarty, Virginia Ann Johnson Allen, Marilyn Straw Gottke, Marge Fowler Allen, Ruth Ann Baldwin-Cottrell, Ken Morrison, Alberta Oliver, Celia Youmans Dunning, Laura Beardsley Long, Elaine Jewkes McGee; **second row:** Philip Lewis, Stan Applegate, David Bee, Jim Nash, Steve Willsey, Fred Meseraull, Howard Drew, Jim McGee; **third row:** Milo Sawvel, Jr., Dave Meeker, Larry Colburn, Horace Peterson, Marvin Ward, John Mendel

## 1970s

**MARLA ANTONIA SERRANO DE TALBOT** (BA '70) is the only Andrews graduate to attain the position of special agent with the US Department of Justice FBI. And Marla is among the first 150 female agents, and the first five Hispanic female special agents.

recognition of his contributions as board member and president. Stanley continues as University Psychiatrist and Clinical Professor at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, where he has recently rescued a handsome stray wolf-dog, Dawson.

## 1980s

**AUNE (AINSALE) GREGGAS** (MA '81) is secretary of the SDA Temperance Association in Finland, a position she's held since 1994. She has worked in cooperation with Scheer Memorial Hospital in Nepal planning a Tobacco Intervention

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and Health Program in Nepal, financed by the Finnish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the SDA Church. Aune's husband, Ben, is the secretary-treasurer of the Finland Swedish SDA Conference. They have a 14-year-old son. Aune is also active in their local church giving Bible studies and sermons.

**KEITH HOWSON** (BS '80, MBA '81) is dean of the faculty of Business and Information Technology at Avondale College. His wife, **ROSEMARY** (MA '81), is manager of information systems for the South Pacific Division based in Wahroonga, Sydney. Previously they spent 11 years in England, including time employed at Newbold College.



**Hector E. Ramal**

children, **EDELWEISS** (BS '2000), and Anthony, a current AU student.

**RONALD W. STOUT** (BS '82) is a physician and currently serves as medical director of Proctor and Gamble Health Care Global Business Unit in Mason, Ohio.



**CLASS OF 1976**, first row, from left: **Galette Grogan**, **Clarence Tom Province**, **Gary D. Affholter**, **Patricia Young**, **Loren B. Hamel**, **Deborah A. Harris Frey**; second row: **Frances Gibbs Faehner**, **Suzanne Renton**



**CLASS OF 1981**, from left: **David Carson**, **Nancy Helm Church**, **Bernice Zaft-Gibbons**, **Saba Anderson**, **Laurie Joslin Koch**, **Shirley Marshall Gager**, **Sylvene Carlyle**, **Gus W. Bell**



**CLASS OF 1971**, first row, from left: **Peter Van Bemmelen**, **Rob Barnhurst**, **Leon Brown**, **Soneeta Grogan**, **Sten LaBianca**; second row: **Lauren Matacio**, **Glenda Slate Brenner**, **Michael Brenner**, **Lee Forsythe**, **Carmelita Richardson**

**HECTOR E. RAMAL** (MA '82, DMin '94) was recently elected dean of the School of Theology at Montemorelos University. His wife, Edelweiss, is chair of the Nursing School, also at Montemorelos, and working on a doctoral degree in leadership at Andrews. The Ramals have two

His wife, **PAM** (BSN '82), is a nurse educator at Kettering Medical Center Network, Southview Hospital, in Dayton, Ohio. The Stouts have two children, John Frederick II, and Elisabeth Elena.

## 1990s

**KEVIN CRANDELL** (BS '96) graduated from Loma Linda University School of Medicine on May 27, 2001. His wife, **JESSICA (MACK)** (BA '92), finished a master's in computer science and technology management at University of Maryland University College in December 2000. The Crandells now live in Richmond, Virg., and Kevin is doing his residency at the Medical College of Virginia.

**CYNTHIA EISELE GUTH** (MSPT '96) lives in Tucson, Ariz., and works at Carondelet Home Health. She and her husband, David, married in 1998 and had a daughter, Lauren, in November 2000.

**SHERRY (PORTUGAL) MCLAUGHLIN** (BS '89, MSPT '90) developed and launched the Michigan Institute for Human Performance (MIHP) in 1998, which develops and provides seminars for corporations, health care professionals, coaches and athletes on topics related to



CLASS OF 1991, first row, from left: Randy Possinger, Rumi Shepherd Burns, Julie Hill Framboch, Monique Pittman, Christina Marsa Carlton, Caryn Brion Wooster, Terry Dodge, Steve Davis; second row: Jess Burns, Andrew K. Chung, Sal Quines, Kent Bermingham II, Dave Wooster, Oliver Archer, Anette K. Schilling Mnabhi, James Brandenberger

strength and conditioning, injury prevention and health-fitness. "Our mission at MIHP," says Sherry, "is to train people to be lifelong athletes. We truly believe that with the proper training, people should be pain-free and active for their entire life." The MIHP staff is comprised of individuals with a background in physical therapy, strength and conditioning, personal training and exercise science. Their website is [www.mihp.net](http://www.mihp.net). Sherry and her husband live in Birmingham, Mich.

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# LIFE STORIES

## Births

To **KAY (GARRICK)** (BA '95) and **STEPHEN HIGGS** (BArch '93), Nashville, Tenn., a boy, Nathaniel Lamar, June 15, 2000.

To **VIVIAN (RIVERA)** (BS '89) and **TIMOTHY COOK** (MA '89), Hinsdale, Ill., a girl, Julia Viviana, Sept. 15, 2000.

To Michelle (Dunlap) and **BRIAN DANESE** (MDiv '95), Shreveport, La., a boy, Michael Richard, October 31, 2000.

To **HANNAH (EWO)** (BSN '96) and Ebenezer Asiem, Berrien Springs, MI, a boy, Myron Yaw Alfred, Dec. 7, 2000.

To Katy Sazama and **RICK FRAMIL** (BSMT '93), Boston, Mass., a girl, Kaisa Rose Sazama-Framil, January 26, 2001.

To **KARLA (SCHORNACK) WOLF** (BS '93, MSPT '94) and **PHIL WOLF** (BArch '93), Tecumseh, Mich., twin girls, Juliana Lauren and Alyssa Marie, March 27, 2001.

To **TANYA (WOLCOTT) KIRSTEIN** (BS '96) and **CHAD KIRSTEIN** (BArch '99), Richmond, Va., a boy, Zachery Wesley, April 19, 2001.

## Weddings

**LAURA GONZALEZ** (BS '00) and **DALLAS HARTWIG** (BS '00, MSPT '01) were married May 17, 2001, and reside in Berrien Springs, Mich.

**CARMALITA BOWEN** (BS '01) and J. Jay Colburn were married May 20, 2001, and reside in Brunswick, Neb.  
**KIM FORTIN** (BA, BSW '01) and

**ANDREW FISH** (*current student*) were married May 20, 2001, and reside in Berrien Springs, Mich.

**MEGAN SHOEMAKER** (BA '01) and **ROB ASERCION** (*att.*) were married May 20, 2001, and reside in Berrien Springs, Mich.

**AMBER BURGESS** (*current student*) and **HECTOR SANTIAGO** (BSCLS '99) were married May 27, 2001, and reside in Wisconsin.

**JOCELYN JOSEPH** (BS '98) and **ROGER WATSON** (BArch '99) were married May 27, 2001, and reside in Silver Spring, Md.

**HEIDI TOWAR** (BA, BSW '00) and **CHRISTIAN MARTIN** (*att.*) were married May 27, 2001, and reside in Berrien Springs, Mich.

**BRANDY ZUTZ** (BS '01) and **BEN PROKOP** (BBA '01) were married June 3, 2001, and reside in Milwaukee, Wis.

**WENCKE MAIER** (BS '99, MSPT '00) and **ANDREW BAKER** (BSIT '01) were married June 3, 2001, and reside in Berrien Springs, Mich.

**SHERYL BURN** (BS '00, MSPT '01) and **DAN SNYDER** (BT '98) were married June 10, 2001, and reside in Anchorage, Alaska.

**SEBRENA MORRISON** (BS '00) and Nanthaniel Swatell were married August 12, 2001, and reside in Apison, Tenn.

## Deaths

**JOHN DOLAN PHILLIPS** (former Board member) was born in Conroe, Tex., Jul. 15, 1907, and died Sept. 14, 2000, in Fallbrook, Calif.  
Mr. Phillips served as a captain in the United States Army dur-

ing World War II, and after the war was active in the reconstruction of Europe. When he returned to the States he began a lifelong career in the transportation industry during which he directed the trucking operations for the Milwaukee Road and New York Central Railroads, and helped launch the modern shipping container industry. From 1964 to 1976 Mr. Phillips was the owner and president of Dundee Truck Lines based in Toledo, Oh. He was an active member of the Bandits Men's Club at Fallbrook Country Club and the Fallbrook Seventh-day Adventist Church.

He is preceded in death by his brother Jack James Phillips and his son John Dolan Phillips, Jr.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Betsy (Hedrick) Phillips, son Dennis Phillips, daughter Carolyn Del Phillips, brother S. M. Phillips and grandchildren Vanessa, Zachary and Olivia.

**JOSEPH CLIFTON BROWN, JR.** (BS '51) was born in Tennessee and died May 30, 2000, in Apopka, Fla.

Dr. Brown was drafted into the Army shortly after the United States entered World War II. His beliefs as a Seventh-day Adventist caused him to resist participation in combat. Instead, he received medical training and later studied in the Army's flight school.

While stationed in France, his entire company was captured by German soldiers while sleeping in an abandoned country farmhouse. Brown spent several months in a German prison camp, developing severe frostbite and living on a diet of crusty bread and dirty water.

He received a bachelor's degree from Andrews University in 1951 and a medical degree from Loma Linda University,

Riverside, Calif., in 1956. He had a family practice in Mason, Mich., for twelve years before becoming an anesthesiologist in Dayton, Oh. He continued practicing at Florida Hospital in Orlando and retired in 1988. He was a member of the Apopka Seventh-day Adventist Church and belonged to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was awarded the Purple Heart.

He is survived by his wife, Bette, sons Jeffrey and Michael, daughter Betty Jo, sisters Geraldine Schanson, Martha Jo Bromback and Peggy Leonard, and three grandchildren.

**JOHN HARVEY BRIZENDINE** (MBA '78) was born Feb. 14, 1951, in Modesto, Calif., and died Jan. 3, 2000 in Modesto, Calif.

He worked most of his life with the family concrete-contracting business Central Ready Mix in Modesto, Calif.

Survived by his wife, Elaine R. Brizendine; his mother, Eloise Brizendine; his children, Sean James and Kristen Janae, all of Modesto, Calif; his sisters, Sharon Wampler of Modesto, Calif. and Elaine van Overbeek of Roseville, Calif.; and one brother, Farrel Brizendine of Calistoga, Calif.

**KAREN I. MADGWICK** (PhD '91), died Dec. 18, 2000, after a long and lengthy illness. She was 42 years old.

**CORRECTION:** Pastor George Vandeman's birthdate was listed incorrectly in the last issue of FOCUS. He was born in 1916 instead of 1926. We apologize for the error.

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**PAUL. C. HEUBACH** (MA '44) was born in Winnemucca, Nev., Oct. 22, 1908, and died Feb. 9, 2001, Mount Vernon, Wash. He served as a pastor and educator, beginning as a church school teacher in 1928.

He was a pastor in northern California and taught Bible at Lodi Academy. He also taught at La Sierra College and later Loma Linda University. He was dean of the School of Theology at Walla Walla College for 11 years, and then pastor of the Loma Linda University church from 1965 to 1970. He authored several books.

He was an honored alumnus of Andrews University in 1991.

He is survived by two daughters, Janet Sargeant and Jeannie Erwin; one sister, Frieda Lemon; three grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

**ARTHUR W. SPALDING III** (att.) was born in Fletcher, N.C., Oct. 7, 1935, and died Feb. 16, 2001 in Berrien Springs.

Mr. Spalding was a lifetime member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. After attending Andrews, he went on to Wayne State to get a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. He was employed as a contract electrical engineer for various firms across the U.S. He enjoyed singing and was a member of the Barbershoppers Chorus. On Feb. 25, 1995, he married Betty Patterson in Berrien Springs.

He is survived by his wife, Betty, of Berrien Springs and three sons: Jeff Spalding of Orlando, Fla.; Scott Spalding of Orlando, Fla.; and Greg Spalding of Greenville, S.C.

**GLEN H. BYERS** (BA '44) was born in Knightstown, Ind., June 3, 1916, and died March 18, 2001 in Lebanon, Mo. He married **BONNIE BLUE** (BA '44) on Sept. 9,

1944, and they accepted teaching positions at San Diego Academy in California. While there he was drafted into the army where he served as an assignment and classification specialist.

After his discharge from the army he attended Peabody-Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. He received his MA degree and did extra graduate studies. He also taught in both schools.

He served as principal of Broadview Academy in Illinois, Sandia View Academy in New Mexico, Garden State Academy in New Jersey and was dean of Madison College in Tennessee. He was teaching in Waynesville, Mo. when he retired from the field of education. For the next several years he bought and sold ranches and farms across southern Missouri and worked as a real estate broker.

He is survived by his wife Bonnie, a son, Gary Byers of Farson, Wyoming; two grandsons, Forrest and Ryan Byers, both of Parson, Wyo.; and a brother, Wayne Byers of Goldendale, Wash.

**CAROLYN CATHCART SHIRLEY** (BA '73) was born in Milan, Mich. and died March 30, 2001 at her home in Riverside, Calif. She received a master's and marriage and family counseling therapy degrees from Loma Linda University and worked for the Los Angeles County Child Protective Services in Covina for 14 years. Memorial services were held April 8, 2001, at Kansas Avenue SDA Church in Riverside, Calif.

**RUTH E. (EGGAR) FELLOW HAGELE** (DP '26, BA '27) was born November 21, 1904 and passed away May 6, 2001.

**HAZEL PARTAIN KRAMER** (BA '42) died May 9, 2001, in Madison, Tenn. After graduating from Emmanuel Missionary College, she remained at the college as assistant registrar and taught typing at the academy. She later served on the staff at Takoma Academy in Maryland. In 1947 she married **LEE KRAMER** (BA '45) and served as the secretary to the director of the school of nursing at Loma Linda University while her husband was pursuing a medical career.

They lived in Independence, Kansas, and Mount Vernon, Ohio, before they settled in Madison, Tennessee in 1963. She served her church well in many capacities and many were blessed by her gift of hospitality.

She is survived by her husband, Dr. Lee Kramer, three daughters, Janet Townsend, Mary Beth Cochran, and Carol Kramer, four grandchildren, and two sisters.

**LLOYD C. STRICKLAND** (BA '45) was born in Chigung Shan, China, June 18, 1922, and died of a stroke on June 17, 2001 while camping near Mount Shasta, Calif. He married **GARNET BURNS** (DP '44) on Sept. 9, 1944..

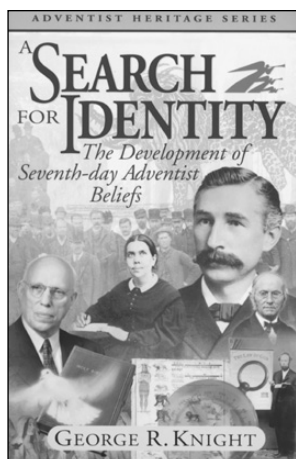
He worked as a pastor for a time before holding the position of principal at various academies. After acquiring his masters degree in business at Stetson University he worked as business manager for Southwestern Adventist College, Keene, Tex. He also worked as an auditor for the Southwestern Union Conference. His last official appointment prior to his retirement was associate director of the General Conference Auditing Service.

Upon retirement he returned to Texas where he continued giving his services to the General Conference and other entities.

After the death of his wife, Garnet, in September 3, 1992, Lloyd married **STELLA KLIMOSZ BROOME** (BA '55) on October 3, 1993. They resided at Monterey Bay Academy until Stella's retirement in 1998. They made their permanent retirement home in Whitmore, Calif.

*Send birth, wedding and funeral announcements and daytime telephone number to Life Stories, FOCUS, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI, 49104-1000. Or e-mail the information to: <tamimart@andrews.edu>.*

# BOOKSHELF



*A Search for Identity: The Development of Seventh-day Adventist Beliefs.* By George R. Knight (MA '66, BD '66), Professor of Church History. Review and Herald Publishing Assoc., 2000, 223 pp.

Dr. George Knight in his book, *A Search for Identity: The Development of Seventh-day Adventist Beliefs*, profoundly captures the strides, struggles and triumphs of the Seventh-day Adventist church in their quest for identity. Most pointedly the author highlights that the theology of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is dynamic and not static. In the opening chapter "The Dynamic of 'Present Truth'" Dr. Knight gives attention to how most of the founders of the Adventist church would not have been members if they had to embrace the denomination's 27 Fundamental Beliefs as they currently exist. The early pioneers of the faith did not accept belief number 2, the doctrine of the Trinity, belief number 4, that Jesus is both eternal and truly God, and neither did they endorse belief number 5, the personhood of the Holy Spirit. However, because our spiritual parents viewed "present truth" as fluid rather than static they later arrived at different conclusions as they sought scripture as their guide and source. Ellen White understood very clearly the progressiveness of truth. In making reference to "present truth" she wrote to P. T. Magan, Jan. 27, 1903, "there will be a development of the understanding, for the truth is capable of constant expansion....Our exploration of truth is yet incomplete. We have gathered up only a few rays of light." To this end though the early pioneers of the Seventh day Adventist Church found peace in many doctrines, never was that to be equated with a complacent spirit in seeking further development of "truth."

A major motif of this book was that central to the development of Seventh-day Adventist

beliefs and their search for identity was the idea that Adventists were people of the Bible. In accordance with this theme Dr. Knight highlights throughout the book the tensions that arose between the founding members as divergent views came into play. In chapter after chapter Knight gives attention to the role Ellen G. White played as a founding member, and how her influence kept the spiritual formation of the Adventist church consistent with scripture. In the late 1880s when many of the Adventist leaders seemed to have forgotten their biblical roots it was Ellen White who refocused them. In August of 1888 she wrote a letter to the delegates of the forthcoming General Conference, and said, "Search the scriptures carefully, to see what is truth. The truth can lose nothing by close investigation. Let the word of God speak for itself, let it be its own interpreter....There is a most wonderful laziness that is indulged in by a large class of our ministers who are willing others should search the scriptures for them; and they take the truth from their lips as a positive fact, but they do not know it to be Bible truth, through their own individual research and by deep convictions of the Spirit of God upon their hearts and minds....Many, many will be lost because they have not studied their Bibles upon their knees, with earnest prayer....The word of God is the great detector of error; to it...everything must be brought. The Bible must be our standard for every doctrine and practice."

In the closing chapter "What does this all mean?" Dr. Knight concludes that since early Adventists took a stand against the rigidity of a creed they in effect left their theology open to correction. In a time where there are still many dogmatic Adventists, *A Search for Identity: The Development of Seventh-day Adventist Beliefs* serves as very refreshing reading because it invites us to stay open to God's Spirit, and to consult the Bible as our only line of defense.

This book serves as a liberating force in that it frees the honest reader to recognize that the Holy Spirit reveals the progressiveness of truth.

Doctrine is only as valuable as it reveals the character of God. To the extent that it does not help us to know God and Jesus Christ whom

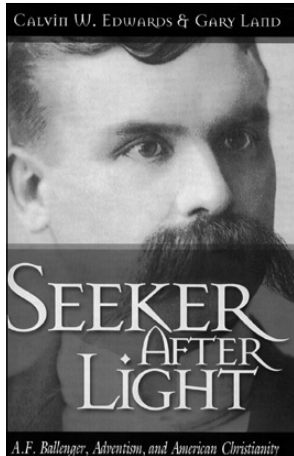
He has sent is to the same extent that it can be equated with worldly wisdom or convenient philosophy. Doctrine by virtue of its very nature should reflect the doing and dying of Jesus Christ, and how His life, death, resurrection, and current ministry of interceding on our behalf is to exonerate the character of God. Ultimately because Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life it is in knowing Him that one establishes a healthy identity.

*Reviewed by Kelvin L. Mitchell (att.), associate pastor of the Centerville SDA Church in Centerville, Ohio.*

**CORRECTION:** In the Winter issue of FOCUS, some of the information on the author and publisher of *Majji and the Mountain Gorillas of Rwanda* was incorrect or missing. The information box should have read: *Majji and the Mountain Gorillas*, by Marc Daniel Gutekunst (BS '89), faculty member at Emory's Institute of African Studies, Atlanta, Georg. FNT Int. Press, 2000, 27 pp.



# BOOKSHELF



*Seeker after Light: A.F. Ballenger, Adventism, and American Christianity.* By Calvin W. Edwards (M.Div. '85) and Gary Land, Professor of History. Andrews University Press, 2000, 240 pp.

Ballenger, a Seventh-day Adventist minister from 1885 to 1905, was in that year separated from the ministry of the church. Most Adventists who know about Ballenger know only about his activities following 1905. In *Seeker After Light* the story of Ballenger is told from birth to death. This is not strictly a biography because, as Land explains in the Introduction, "we seek to place the issues [of the sanctuary doctrine] within the framework of the institutional church and the personalities involved. At points, therefore, we move away from emphasis on Ballenger to describe the outlook of denominational leaders at the General Conference of 1905. . . ." Also Land "sought connections between Ballenger and influences from outside Adventism . . . I attempted to understand his [Ballenger's] approach to the Scriptures and organized religion within the context of American Protestantism." He adds that the authors do not deal with the validity of the doctrinal arguments of either side in the controversy.

Much of the very extensive research for this book was done by Edwards while a student at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary; and Land, in consultation with Edwards, wrote the manuscript. The generous number of footnotes and the Note on Sources provide information to the reader for accessing the original sources for additional research. Land has added an Epilogue and an Appendix presenting the words and music to two hymns by Ballenger and his sister Nellie.

Albion Fox Ballenger was born in a Sabbatarian Adventist home in 1861. His father, John Fox Ballenger, was an Adventist

minister. Albion entered the ministry in 1885, engaging in pastoral and evangelistic work. After a few years he also began service for the General Conference in the early development of the religious liberty work and soon was appointed as assistant secretary in the newly formed National Religious Liberty Association. By 1897 his interest turned from Religious Liberty to preaching on the theme "receive ye the Holy Ghost." The General Conference invited him to speak at camp meetings throughout North America and his messages were well received. But by 1899 the General Conference limited his work to the

Chesapeake Conference, and in 1901 he was appointed to service in England, Wales and Ireland, where he continued to preach on his theme the Holy Spirit while also carrying administrative duties. During this time he began studying the doctrines of the sanctuary, the investigative judgment, and the atonement. He concluded, and communicated to the church leaders, that he was unable to harmonize the teaching of the Bible on these subjects with the positions of the Adventist Church and Ellen White. This conclusion led to his eventual separation from ministry and membership in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Five of the ten chapters of the book present this phase of Ballenger's experience, closing with his death on August 19, 1921.

The issues that Ballenger addressed are still live topics today. Since his demise two other Adventist ministers, W. W. Fletcher and Desmond Ford, have publicly opposed the same Adventist doctrines, and others have privately had serious questions about them. So this book should be of interest not only to church historians, but also theologians, religious educators, pastors, church and educational administrators, and others who have an interest in SDA history.

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## ANDREWS UNIVERSITY RESPONDS DURING THIS TIME OF NATIONAL TRAGEDY



*We all gazed in shock and horror as the events of Tuesday, September 11, unfolded...*

*In response to these terrorist attacks and the devastation they've left in their wake, the Andrews University family continues to be involved in tangible and powerful ways that show our support and loyalty for the nation, as well as those who have been affected by this tragedy. In addition to hosting various prayer services around campus, lighting candles beside the entrance to campus, flying the U.S. flag at half mast and providing local media with resources, 35 faculty, staff and students went to New York to assist in the relief efforts. We will expand on these stories in our next issue.*

*In the meantime, we extend our heartfelt condolences and prayers to those whose lives have been touched by these disasters. We pray for healing, and justice and understanding.*

*God bless each one of us in this time of sadness, reflection and incredible loss.*



# An indelible mark

Whenever I take a trip to another country, there are certain scenes and experiences that are burned on my mind forever. These include breathtaking vistas, delectable indigenous foods and native wildlife. But I find that the most indelible mark is left on my heart, not from the natural or man-made wonders of the place, amazing as they may be, but from the people of that country. I found this to be the case on the Andrews University Singers' tour to the country of Zimbabwe.

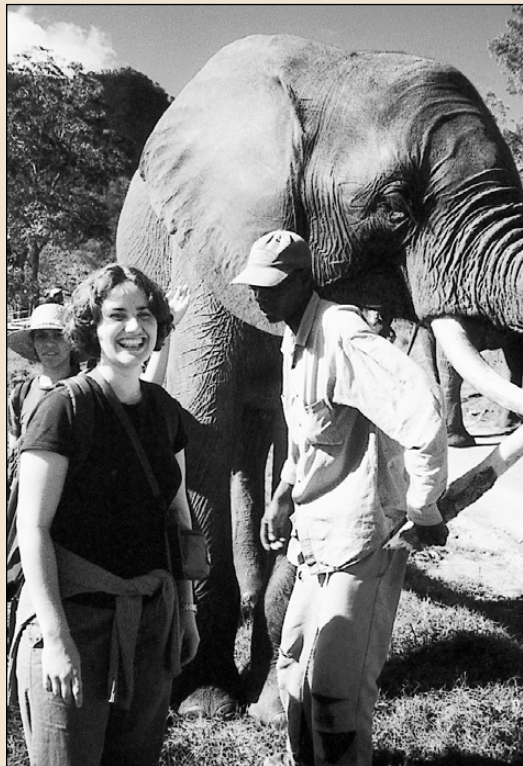
On May 8, 2001, a group of forty-one weary, but excited, students and faculty (later joined by two more students) boarded a bus on Andrews campus, the first leg of a very long journey to Zimbabwe. In our anxious desire to reach our destination, time seemed to pass very slowly, but once we arrived, the twelve days flew by far too quickly. We were caught up in a flurry of concerts, visits, sightseeing and driving. But through this whirlwind of activity, certain moments, both of beauty and of pain, are so vividly engraved on my mind, it feels as if I am experiencing it again today. There were the ill-clothed little children that came up to us on the streets of Harare begging for food or money. We could see the pain of want and hunger in their little faces, and the frantic way they gobbled up the food we gave them. Then there was the bed of a homeless man made of slabs of rock covered in cardboard. There was the feeling of awe and shaking excitement as a seemingly never-ending line of elephants made its way to the watering hole we were waiting at in Hwange National Park. There were the proud, smiling faces of the girls who cooked us a delicious lunch at the Nyazura school. There was the magnificence of the countless rainbows over vast Victoria Falls. There was the sight of audiences barely containing their excitement, bursting out with ecstatic "amens" and vigorous waving of hands.

All of these moments bring back the emotions of our visit, but none like the memories of the children at the orphanages. I

do not know quite what I expected to find there. I guess I imagined that I would feel despairing, helpless, perhaps angry and bitter if I had lost my parents. But these were not the emotions that met us in the faces of the children. Instead, during the few precious hours we had with these beautiful people, I saw enthusiasm, laughter, trust, hope and love. We sang songs and played games with them, teaching them some new ones and learning some from them as well. The orphanage mothers

inspired us with their patience, love and endurance in having to care for all of the needs of the children. When we left them, I felt that I was the one who had received the biggest blessing. I had come wanting to help them and bring whatever little joy I could into their lives. But they had taught me true joy, not a joy in clothes, toys or possessions, but a joy transcending these things. They had the joy of life, and of eternal life. As one of the orphanage mothers sang the hymn "In the Sweet By and By" in her native tongue, many of us began crying. Thinking about that moment still brings tears to my eyes. She sang that song with a depth of feeling that came from having tasted and seen the pain and suffering of this world. In her voice I heard an ache of longing for that fairer land, which brought an ache to my own heart. I, too, longed for an end to the days when children are left parentless, when people go to sleep hungry at night or without a soft and warm place to lay down their weary head.

I hope that the memories and feelings I carry in my heart from Zimbabwe will never die, so that I will continue to be inspired to happiness and love on this earth, and to a hunger for the happy day when we will all be reunited on that beautiful shore.



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*Nicol Robinson is a junior social work major who traveled with the University Singers to Zimbabwe in April 2001.*



# PHOTO ALBUM

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*Photo by Donald May*



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A group of Andrews University students spent 17 days from February 22-March 10, 2001, experiencing the beauty and mystery of Tanzania on a photo safari. While there, they visited Arusha, Tarangire National Park, Olduvai Gorge, the Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater, Karatu, Lake Eyasi, and Lake Manyara. Enjoy a sample of the scenes they captured on film.



Participants on the tour: Simone Amundson, Melissa Blackmer, Nicholas Brezzell, Melissa DiLernia, Daniel Gonzalez, Erin Heldstab, Carissa Hernandez, Tim Hofmann, Stephanie Hulin, Stacy Karpenko, Jennifer McCormack, Gianna Norman, Jason Norton, Heather O'Beirne, Clay Schwarck, Marcos Vasquez, Andrei Zvonkov, Don & Rebecca May



*Photo by Clay Schwarck*





**THE GOLDEN HEARTS CLUB, ALUMNI HOMECOMING 2001.** *First row L to R: Verna White, Ruth Wagner Hamberger, Marian Nelson Oxley, Margaret Logan, Verda Buller Trickett, Irene Wakeham Lee, Grover Fattic, Ruth Husted, June Hunt. Second row L to R: Arnold Friedrich, Dick Kantzer, Marty Anderson, Louise Gleason Hadley, Bonnie Jean Hannah, Alice Duffie Fahrback, Lucille Henderson Beck, Elsie Landon Buck, Edwin Buck. Third row L to R: Wilson Trickett, Allan Buller, Mickey Walberg Buller, Betty Kramer Garber, Dorothy Beardsley Culbert, Virginia Duffie Steinweg, Glenn Engen, Bruce Christensen, Erna Mae Kyle Koch. Fourth row L to R: Charles Fitch, Donald Smith, Della May Crom Carsen, Leona Glidden Running, Lennart Olson, Byron Logan Fifth row L to R: Dwain L Ford, Arl Voorheis, Paul E Hamel, Clarence Wolf, Lewis Carson, Bruce Lee, Paul Robb*