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The newly-renovated Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University officially opened in October 2001. While the inside of the building serves as a place where men and women of God are trained to do His work, the outside serves as an opportunity to pay special tribute to family members, friends, and favorite pastors or professors. The seminary entrance terrace, a beautiful commemorative walkway of bricks and pavers, is located near the south doors.

Ray and Marilyn Lounsberry of Nevada, Ia., chose to buy a brick for their son, Frank (B.A. ’78, M.A. ’82), a seminary graduate, after his death in 1999. Frank participated in an archaeological dig with Siegfried Horn, former Andrews University professor of archaeology, during the summer of 1976, which sparked his interest in artifacts and biblical history. The Lounsberries said: “We were so happy to be able to remember our son in such a tangible and meaningful way.”

To date, 195 single, double, and paver bricks have been sold and engraved. Your name, or the name of someone you would like to honor, can be engraved on one of these stones that will become a lasting legacy. If you are interested in purchasing a brick to be engraved, single bricks (4 x 8 in.) are $125, double bricks (8 x 8 in.) are $250, and pavers (12 x 12 in.) are $1,000. For more information or to order, call the Andrews University development office at (269) 471-3592.

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Katie Shaw, University Relations news writer

Teacher in the Spotlight

“Hey, what about our story?” a student called out as Leon Hauck, assistant professor of computer information systems, was letting the students in his project management class leave early for a change, but had forgotten that he had promised to tell a story to illustrate one of the points he had made in class. The student made sure he wouldn’t get away with it.

Hauck’s students appreciate the way he relates classroom theory to real life experiences from his approximately 20 years of work in hospital information technology. “I don’t often get the question, ‘Why do I have to learn this?’” said Hauck.

The professor sees preparing students to be effective workers in the information technology area of a business as his main objective. “Many times when I was responsible for hiring people, I knew what I was looking for in that position,” said Hauck who, from his experience in the IT world, now seeks to equip students to be as marketable as possible to future employers. He is full of good, practical advice. One word of counsel that Hauck gives to students itching to graduate and find the dream job is, “Don’t set your heights too high too soon, and don’t be afraid to spend a little time in the trenches.” He also encourages his students to see the bigger picture of how their future work will fit into the operations of a large organization.

But life is more than just work. “I enjoy biking. Most of the time I use my road bike,” said Hauck. Aside from the outdoors, Hauck and his wife Christina, are musical. She plays the piano and sings, and he plays both the trombone and the piano. Before coming to Andrews, the couple used to visit churches and perform musical numbers. Here at Andrews, Hauck plays in the trombone ensemble. He lives a well-rounded life because he believes in balance.

As Hauck prepares students for a profession that can pay very well yet require exorbitant amounts of time, he sticks to his principles. “Money isn’t everything,” he says with a smile.

Leon Hauck

Bjorn Karlman, student news writer