

## Preamble

Honor. Nostalgically, the CC remembers being introduced to the word through Pathfinders. We proudly and ceremoniously wore “honor” as a badge—or a sash—or badges on a sash. Back in the day, honor could be achieved via such vital skill areas as winter camping, knot-tying and quilting. The CC no longer engages in much winter camping and sadly has not made a quilt in years. But the CC’s shoe laces never come undone and the CC can still entertain the kids with a simple slip knot. Our Pathfinder counselors would be proud indeed.

As Pathfinder days faded, “honor” became all about the opposite sex. And being honorable meant that it was important to be chivalrous and that hormones had to be kept in check. Looking back, that seems about right. After school days, honor presented itself as a new course. The golf course, in fact. There, the CC learned that finding itself in the position of having the “honor” was to be cherished...if only because the CC so rarely experienced it.

Now that the CC is in middle age, the concept of “honor” has come full circle. It’s all about the knot tying, although now it’s the marital knot. Our Pathfinder counselors still would be proud.



## CAMPUS CRAZE HONORS EDITION

<b>Medal</b>		The Medal of Honor is the United States’ highest award for bravery. The CC salutes its recipients and all those people who live bravely, often out of the spotlight.
<b>J. N. Andrews Honors Scholar</b>		The requirements are serious, but serious research that can reach interdisciplinary audiences is way cool.
<b>Severed hand</b>		Aristotle’s metaphor for an isolated human being is challenging and creative...but the CC is squeamish.
<b>Parents</b>		“Honor your father and mother” is not just a commandment, it is a pleasure. Thanks, Mom and Dad. You raised the CC swell.
<b>Duty &amp; Country</b>		With honor, they make up General McArthur’s triumvirate call for what military cadets ought to be about. The CC appreciates the general’s imperative, but wonders how to fit in Christ’s greater call to “love your enemy.”
<b><i>Honor: A History</i></b>		James Bowman’s book describes how the concept of “honor” was undermined and discredited in the West during the 20th century. Bowman also suggests that the absence of a change to old ideas about “honor” in many parts of the world helps to explain, in part, the current conflict between the West and Islam. The CC seeks to understand....



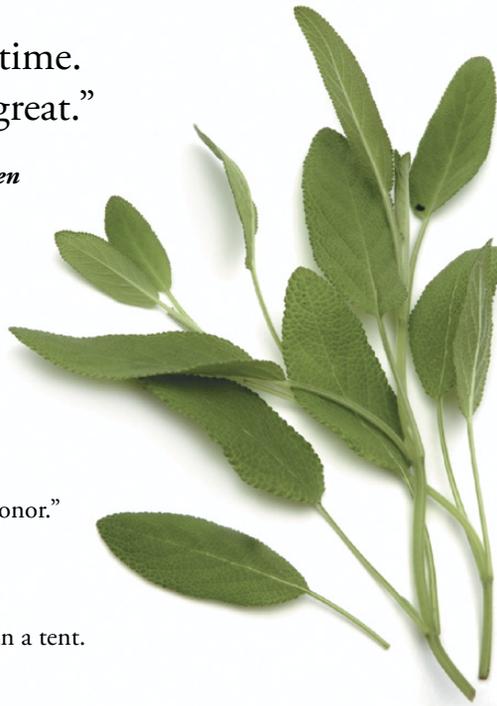
## Speaking of...

“There have been some migration problems.”

*Stephen Payne, vice president for enrollment management, at the Faculty/Staff/Board Reception, explaining the absence of the “Golden Cardinal” statues, March 3, 2008*

“God is great. All the time.  
All the time. God is great.”

*The call and response led by Stephen Payne at the Faculty/Staff/Board Reception, March 3, 2008.*



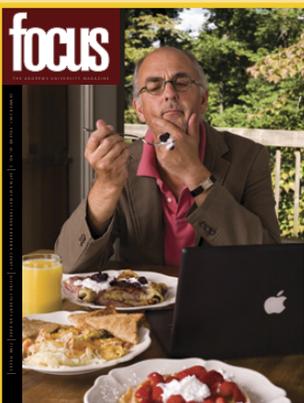
## A frowsy fallacy

A Pathfinder patch is called an “honor.”

A camp site is a Pathfinder patch.

Therefore, it is an honor to sleep in a tent.

## Out of Focus



### From the Summer 2007 issue:

The article on undergraduate research at Andrews University in this recent issue of *Focus* referred to the general education curriculum for honors students. The name of the program, SAGES (Scholars’ Alternative General Education Studies), evokes the obvious intellectual connotations. But did the program’s creators intend a more subtle link with the common herb of the same name? It seems likely.

A study conducted by the Universities of Newcastle and Northumbria concluded that taking the herb sage can improve memory recall by elevating “levels of a chemical that helps transmit messages in the brain” (<<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/3189635.stm>>). Incidentally, the same herb has long been noted for reducing problems with digestion and flatulence.

