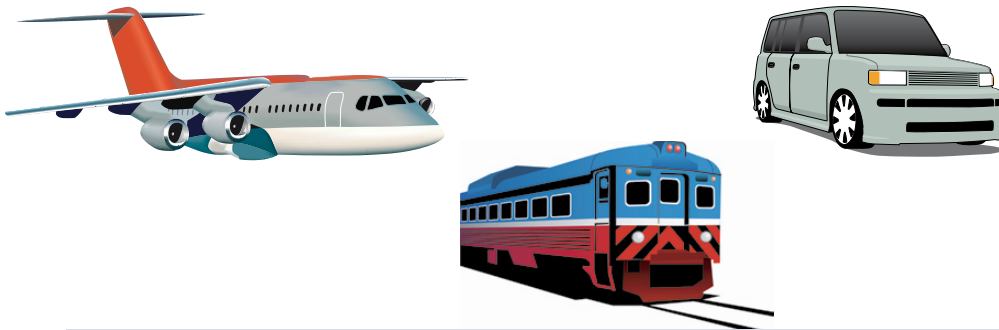


## Preamble

“Road trip!” It’s a call that strikes fear into parents of young children. It wasn’t always that way. When the CC was young, the long family car rides—some across the entire United States—were spent sleeping either on the car’s floor or in the back window. The lucky families owned a station wagon where you could put down some blankets and really stretch out; the back was also an excellent place to build forts or play board games. Game over when dad drove too fast around a corner. Those carefree days are long gone. Now, everyone is strapped into place. It’s difficult to get excited about a 16-hour day in a straight jacket. Also, if any alum could make a five-point safety harness that can secure a sleeping baby without waking her up—well, let’s just say that that innovator will receive a call about the *A New Andrews for a New Century* campaign. A few fuddy duds will point out that passengers are far safer now. It’s a good point...if you’re into safety. But better safety isn’t very nostalgic.



## A frowsy fallacy

A study is another word for a den.

A tour is a trip to and around a place.

Therefore, a study tour is a trip to a den.

## CAMPUS CRAZE

### TRAVEL EDITION

They say getting there is half the fun, except of course if you’re traveling through Iowa.

<b>Priceline.com</b>		A few deals, but most people with jobs don’t have the requisite flexibility.
<b>Security screening</b>		The CC feels safer now that Purell is forbidden from the airplane cabin. Dirty and under attack from bacteria. But safe.
<b>Hostels</b>		Remember when you could travel around Europe for \$11 per day?
<b>Travel warnings</b>		As of the date this issue went to press, the U.S. State Department had issued travel warnings (a recommendation to avoid travel to a nation) for 30 countries. Remember when U.S. citizens were welcomed around the world?
<b>Archaeological digs</b>		You get to play in the dirt and take naps. Any questions?
<b>U.S./Canada border crossings</b>		In 2007, new rules go into effect. A lot of Canadian students attend AU and those trips to and from school just got a lot longer....
<b>University Bulletin</b>		The 2006-07 Bulletin—and doesn’t everyone think to look in the Bulletin for travel information? —contains, on page 372, information about traveling to AU via car, airplane, train and bus. You can also arrive by canoe. Just stop at Beaver Point. You’re welcome.
<b>Minivans</b>		Safe, reliable and somewhat economical with plenty of room for people and gear. A hybrid version would make it the world’s perfect vehicle.



## Speaking of...

“From time to time it is a good idea to view something from a distance... You see it differently. You see only the big stuff.”

—Niels-Erik Andreasen at Friday evening Fall Fellowship welcome/homily

“I knew it was the voice of God because I didn’t want to do it!”

—Dr. Robert Benne, Director of the Center for Religion and Society and part-time lecturer of religion and philosophy at Roanoke College in Virginia, during Friday evening’s Fall Fellowship meeting (speaking about his response to a woman saying that he would be a good minister—he really wanted to be a sports coach).

“Our cup is filled by the Spirit in order that it may be spilled in love for our neighbor.”

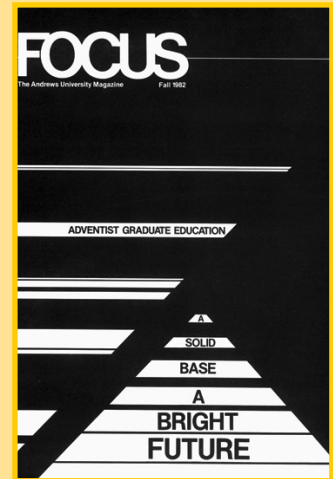
—Dr. Robert Benne, during Saturday morning’s Fall Fellowship church service.

## Fun-da-mental facts

▶ In the last five years, AU has sponsored study tours to Syria, Cuba and China. The CC wonders which tour comes next, Iran or Iraq?

▶ The 2004 study tour to Australia/Fiji, sponsored by the Department of History and Political Science, studied the various governments’ treatment of, and response to, indigenous populations. The CC just likes the word “indigenous.” It’s a word that comes naturally.

▶ According to the U.S. State Department, each year approximately 2,500 Americans are arrested overseas. The State Department web site warns that an arrest overseas “could mean...the death penalty in a growing number of countries.” Since the United States, together with China, Iran and Saudi Arabia, accounted for 94% of all known executions in 2005, the CC wonders whether the warning ought to be issued to citizens who choose not to travel?



Out of Focus

### From the Fall ‘82 issue

Andrews connections with Lebanon go back a long way, as does the civil unrest of that country’s population and its neighbors. In the Andrews Alumni section, **Walter Booth** (MA ’64) writes about volunteering in “one of the world’s trouble-spots and with escalation of its tensions a distinct possibility”—an experience shared in kind by the recent AU tour of Lebanon sponsored by the religion department. After his year-long service, Booth says he “found the Lebanese to be a decent, friendly, likable people,” although the country was “dominated by the presence, almost everywhere, of the military.”

