

LETTERS

FUN IN '54

It's an interesting experience to see a most unflattering picture of oneself on the inside of the back cover of the spring 1998 FOCUS. I'm the one profiled in the center right of the picture, blowing with mouth wide open.



Those at the table, left to right, are Nadine Sharar, Malcolm Gordon (could be wrong, but looks like him to me), Hazel Johnson (mostly hidden by my head), Jean Schlunt (me), Maurice Hoppe.

Standing, left to right, are Mrs. E. R. Thiele, Ione Markel, unknown, Carol Hale, and Audrey Kaatz.

The picture was taken at Thiele's house and was published in the 1954 *Cardinal*.

*Jean (Schlunt) Rhoads (BS '58)
Bloomington, Ind.*

Editor's note: Thanks to all of you who offered identification suggestions. **DELORIS BIGLER WOERNER (BS '58)** writes from Athena, Ore., to suggest that the coed in the light plaid blouse might be Annabel Rehling.

BRAVO FOR BRONZE

I just wanted to let you know how much I appreciated seeing FOCUS today. The photo of the Andrews family sculpture is so beautiful; the sculpture itself must be magnificent.

I was thrilled to see the movement in the sculpture so skillfully carved in the

breeze of the harbor catching at the family's clothes. How appropriate to add this evidence of the Spirit of God descending on the whole family!

And what a privilege to "hear" the sentiments of the unveiling participants in the transcript of the ceremony. Thank you for printing it! If you had simply summarized the remarks in a paragraph buried in a news article, I wouldn't have been able to experience the service in such a dramatic way.

So, thank you to Andrews University for your efforts to dream, finance, and dedicate this magnificent piece of art.

Legacy of Leadership will not go unnoticed by your students, nor will it be ignored by the rest of us. Collins' sculpture will become the focal point of the mission and scholarship of your flagship campus just as [Collins'] *The Good Samaritan* has become the cornerstone visualizing the medical arts and healing practices of Loma Linda University and Medical Center.

May God bless.

*Becki Timon
Laurel, Md.*

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A message from President Niels-Erik Andreasen . . .

Recently I attended meetings of Campus Compact, a national organization with state chapters of colleges and universities committed to including service learning in the educational experience of their students.

During such meetings of college presidents, I'm often asked questions about Andrews, and this meeting was no exception. Here are some of the questions I was asked as we sat around tables waiting for the presentation to begin:

- *Is it true that Andrews students come from around the world?* I was pleased to explain that Andrews serves the world church of Seventh-day Adventists, that our membership now stands at around ten million, that we operate nearly 100 colleges and universities around the world, and that nearly all of them have on their staff individuals who received their graduate training at Andrews.

If you ever have questions about the impact of Andrews University on our world church, take a trip abroad and visit our church headquarters and institutions and you will meet Andrews people serving an Adventist world church community the size of the kingdoms of Denmark and Norway put together.

- *What is the Mennonite Theological Seminary in Indiana talking with Andrews University about?* That seminary is looking to our Social Work program (which is one of the very few distinctly Christian

MSW programs in the nation) for help to design a joint seminary-social work program for Mennonite pastors desiring a greater understanding of Christian compassion ministry.

- *How did your Biblical archaeology program get started?* I was glad to report that 30 years ago a dream of Seminary professor Siegfried Horn came true when he initiated the Andrews University archaeological project in the Kingdom of Jordan. This summer the participants in that project and the Department of Antiquities in Jordan will celebrate 30 years of success that's led to a whole new way of doing Biblical archaeology.

- In passing, someone mentioned that she always listens to our radio station, WAUS 90.7 and wondered how long we've operated it. Quite a long time, I replied, not remembering precisely how many years. Some of you remember when it began and could give a better answer than I. But do you realize how many people listen and hear the words WAUS 90.7, *Andrews University, quality education close to home?*

By this time the conversation between college and university presidents was interrupted by the first speaker. But I thought you might like to listen in on a brief conversation some educators from the Midwest had about Andrews University recently.