

## Total enrollment reaches 3087



According to the university's recent release of its annual enrollment report, this semester's harvest promises to be a bountiful one. An enrollment increase of 70 students has brought even more smiling faces to the Andrews campus this year, bringing the total enrollment to 3,087 students compared to last year's 3,017. The Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews experienced a particularly noticeable jump in enrollment with an increase of 81 students, bringing the total to 768.

"We're happy to have even more students on the Andrews campus this year," said Stephen Payne, vice president for enrollment management. "It's been exciting to see the school grow a

total of more than 300 students in the past five years."

Payne is also proud of the heart for service this year's group of students has already demonstrated. Many new students, having been in school less than a week, joined the almost 100-member crew that recently traveled to Mississippi for Katrina relief efforts.

"School has only just begun, and already students have gotten involved, taking the school's admonition to 'seek knowledge, affirm faith, change the world' seriously by giving up their Labor Day weekend to help with Katrina relief," Payne stated.

Andrews' commitment to academic excellence is recognized with the University's continued ranking by *U.S. News & World Report's* America's Best Colleges edition as one of only 248—162 public, 86 private—institutions of higher education in the United States to receive the National University ranking. Andrews is the only Seventh-day Adventist university to hold this distinction. According to the August 29, 2005 issue of *U.S. News & World Report*, a National University "offers a wide range of undergraduate majors as well as master's and doctoral degrees; many strongly emphasize research."

Currently, Andrews offers approximately 180 different, undergraduate, master's and doctoral programs. Andrews also continues to rank at number six for percentage of international students on campus, with 12% of the student population coming to Andrews from all over the world, and as the 16th most diverse campus of any national university, public or private.

As evidenced by this year's increased enrollment, more and more students are finding Andrews University the right place to "Seek knowledge. Affirm faith. Change the world."



## Fall Week of Prayer

With school nearly a month underway, Pastor Daniel Botabara (*pictured far left*), director of Asian/Pacific Ministries for the Central California Conference, made his way to Andrews for the first-semester week of prayer that ran from September 19-24, 2005. The theme for the week was "Jesus' Twelve: God Uses Ordinary People."

Originally from Naga City, Philippines, Botabara mixed his cultural and spiritual background together to form a message that moved 18 students to baptism or rebaptism.

"I was impressed with the students' support of the speaker," said Chaplain Timothy Nixon. "I was really thankful that an Asian speaker led because I really think we need to experience all of the beautiful mosaic of our church and campus."

Botabara spoke for the entire student body every day of the week in Pioneer Memorial Church and then again in the evening for dorm worship in Lamson Hall. On Sabbath he preached both sermons for the PMC service, in which eight additional students chose to be baptized.

## Great-granddaughter of J. N. Andrews donates personal collection

The Center for Adventist Research on the campus of Andrews University recently received a generous donation of important letters, documents, photographs, and artifacts from the life of John Nevins Andrews (JNA), the first Seventh-day Adventist missionary, as well as the missionary work of the Spicer/Andrews family in Tibet.

The collection was donated to the Center by Jeannie Andrews, great-granddaughter of JNA, in October 2005.

There are 31 original JNA letters in the collection, including a letter written to his mother upon setting foot on the shores of England, dated September 26, 1874, making it the first letter written from a foreign land from the first official Adventist missionary. Also included in the collection is the original French-language covenant, detailing the family's commitment to speaking only French at home. About ten original Ellen G. White letters, six or seven of which were previously unknown, are also in the collection.

"This is among the most significant collection of original handwritten correspondence from early Adventist pioneers," said Merlin Burt, Center director (pictured above). "Previous to this collection, we had no original JNA letters at Andrews, and there were only a few at the GC and other institutions. This is now the treasure trove of JNA correspondence."

Several historically important photographs, including two daguerreotypes depicting the earliest known pictures of Andrews, his parents, and brother are also included, as well as the only known photo of Carrie Andrews, JNA's daughter who died in early childhood.

A collection of letters between Dorothy Spicer, daughter of W. A. Spicer and wife of John Nevins Andrews, MD and her daughter, Jeannie Andrews, detailing life in the Tibet mission field in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, as well as several Tibetan artifacts are also included.

"It's more than just history," comments Burt on the collection's significance, "it helps you get to know JNA better, as you read of his deep personal spiritual commitment and the close family relationship between him and his wife and his children."



## School of Business receives \$1 million endowed chair

The Andrews University School of Business is happy to announce that they have recently become the recipients of a \$1 million endowed chair. The endowment, donated by an anonymous businessman from the Northwest, will be given to a faculty member of distinction and is expected to be implemented in the 2006 school year.

This is Andrews' sixth endowed chair, the second for the School of Business. Others include: the JNA Memorial Chair in Religion, the Bashir Hasso endowed chair of Teaching Excellence in Business, the Institute of Hispanic Ministry Endowed Fund, the Oliver S. Beltz Sacred Music Endowment Fund, and the Seminary Chair of Medical Missionary Fund. There are a total of over 300 endowed scholarships.

"Although the donor actually never attended Andrews, whenever he returns, he speaks with respect for the mission of the university and has stated his intention to make additional gifts in the future," said David Faehner, vice president for advancement.

## Research and study tours

September 21 marked the official end of summer, and not everyone was on vacation! Here's a quick recap of study tours and faculty research from this summer.

**International Study Tours:** Nearly two hundred Andrews students were able to take advantage of the university's many international study opportunities available during the summer. May has quickly become Study Tour month at Andrews University with over ten department-sponsored annual or biennial tours, including the English and Communication British Dramatic Arts tour to London, the Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology Archaeological dig to Tall Jalul, Jordan, and international languages tours to France, Italy, Spain, and Greece. Tours typically range from two to six weeks, offering students the chance to earn up to six credits and enjoy an unforgettable educational experience.

**Faculty Research:** Students weren't the only ones who enjoyed some scholarly travels over the summer—many professors worked on research projects around the U.S. and abroad. For example, in the history and political science department, Jane Sabes traveled to the Ukraine and Brian Strayer continued research in Paris, biologist Jim Hayward and mathematician Shandelle Henson conducted seagull research in the Pacific Northwest, and Claudio Gonzalez and Stephen Zork of the music department traveled to Chile and Hong Kong for conducting clinics and performances. Additionally, several professors continued book projects, including Woodrow Whidden of the religion department, Scott Moncrieff of the English department, and PT professor John Banks, whose work is being touted as the new leading gross-anatomy textbook.

As you can see, we're doing our best to ensure that Andrews continues its legacy of top-quality education!

## Ministry Fair jumpstarts Campus Outreach

Campus and community ministries are charged and ready for service, thanks to the success of September 16-17's Ministry Fair. Assistant to the President for Spiritual Life Ron Whitehead anticipates a significant increase in student involvement in active ministry this academic year. "Whether it's Katrina relief or Passion Play participation," Whitehead recaps, "Ministry Fair is designed to encourage active involvement in both community and campus service initiatives." And, he's quick to emphasize, active faith is growing faith.



Relaxing in the newly renovated Campus Ministries office: Timothy Nixon, campus chaplain for inreach; Jean-Marcel Clouzet, assistant chaplain for outreach; Patrick Murphy, campus chaplain for outreach; Richard Parke, communications director; Shilhi Seibel, student missions; and Nicolas Rhone, assistant chaplain for inreach.

In its third year, Ministry Fair is designed to converge community and campus service venues with the goal of spiritually motivating students to serve. This year, 70 ministries from PMC, campus, and the community contributed to Ministry Fair. Many of them were previous participants seeking new recruits, but an exciting number of first-time participants showed up to launch fledgling ministries.

Over 400 volunteers subscribed to service during the two-day event. While Whitehead attributes most of the volunteers' participation to an "extraordinary level of student leadership displayed across campus" this year, he also nods a grateful head to the substantial spiritual and financial support Campus Ministries has benefited from this year.

Besides providing the use of their facility for Ministry Fair, PMC was responsible for most of the event's funding. Jesse Seibel, director of this year's Ministry Fair, also notes, "Pastor Dwight's input and vision for this event were integral to its success. From the start, he made it clear that the Ministry Fair was open to any ministry that wished to be present, demonstrating that this was a service to the community and campus, not a PMC promotional event."

Edgar Choc, a leader in cell groups, a first-time ministry participant that garnered forty new members, says, "[Ministry Fair] is the best way to engage people's attention and spark their interests in ministry involvement." Not to mention the "enormous blessing" of participation itself.

Seibel points out that service is the ultimate goal of Ministry Fair. "If all we have done is put on a big event featuring creative booths and eye-catching displays, we have failed," he asserts, hoping participants and volunteers alike instead went away with a renewed sense of purpose and a deepened commitment to the Lord.

## H.M.S. Richard Lectureship features Leslie Pollard

The annual H.M.S. Richards Lectureship on Biblical Preaching took place October 30-31, 2005. Sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, the lectureship seeks to advance the theory and practice of Bible-based, Christian preaching among both professional clergy and lay persons.

Originally established by the Adventist Church in the Mid-Atlantic States in 1957, the lectureship has hosted many leading Christian preachers and evangelists, including Haddon Robinson, Eugene Lowry, Morris Venden, Walter Pearson, and the lectureship's namesake, H.M.S. Richards, Sr., pioneer religious broadcaster and renowned Adventist preacher.

This year's series featured Leslie Pollard, the current vice-president for Loma Linda University Adventist Health Sciences. Pollard brings a wealth of preaching experience to the lectureship, having held a huge range of ministerial posts including parish pastor of large and small congregations, youth pastor, evangelist, radio speaker, and college chaplain, as well as professor of homiletics at Oakwood College in Huntsville, Ala. and adjunct professor for the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary doctor of ministry program at Andrews University.

Pollard earned a doctor of ministry degree in preaching and worship from Claremont School of Theology in Claremont, Calif. in 1992 and is currently completing his dissertation for his PhD in New Testament studies. He has conducted preaching, teaching, and evangelistic series, as well as lay and professional training programs around the world.

## Newly renovated Campus Ministries offices open



GC President Jan Paulsen cuts the ribbon for the grand opening of the newly renovated Campus Ministries offices, while President Andreasen (left), Ron Whitehead, assistant to the president for spiritual life, and Gerry Karst, board chair, look on.

## Nursing inaugurates online MA



Intrinsic to the current and chronic scarcity of nurses and the disturbing national drop in student enrollment in nursing programs is the lack of accredited educators in the field. According to recent research, nearly 40 percent of nursing programs are suffering from severe faculty shortages. Enter Andrews University Nursing Department's newest prescription: a comprehensive, competitive, and cutting-edge online master's-level program, designed to revive the lethargy of current MS nursing graduation rates with IV expediency.

Fall semester 2005 saw the enthusiastic launch of the online MS program's inaugural semester. The only one like it in the Adventist educational system, the program joins Andrews University's already-top-notch nursing program, which has long been the sole MS nursing program in Southwest Michigan approved by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, and has produced decades of nursing students with an unprecedented 100 percent pass rate on certification board exams. And it goes without saying that nurses who graduate from Andrews University bring a distinct spiritual sensitivity to their profession.

Notwithstanding its many marked successes, Andrews' nursing department decided it was time for a dosage of convenience. Online degree programs lend flexibility and speed in degree completion not readily available in traditional classroom programs. Rather than wrangling with vexing schedules and juggling preexisting work and family commitments with their pursuit of higher education, MS nursing students at Andrews University are now free to "attend class" at their convenience and complete their MS degrees in as little as two years. Nursing chair Karen Allen expects this will ensure that program subscribers "successfully land teaching positions in academic, clinical, and community venues" and thus begin to fill the current instructional void.

While some interested parties might suspect online education would be more bothersome than dressing a bedsore, Allen wants to guarantee its straightforwardness. "If you can open an email," she says, "you can complete the program." But don't think its intuitive nature implies any compromise in the quality of its content. Just the opposite, its "classrooms" boast the latest technology and digital tools—including chat-room office hours—to ensure an interactive educational experience where support is only a mouse-click away.

Coordinators of the project and Andrews University's nursing department at large look forward to what they expect will be positive feedback from students after the close of the program's first semester.

## U.S. Embassy awards Andrews University archaeological site

Andrews University's archaeological project at Hesban, Jordan recently received a \$45,750 grant from the United States Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation. Andrews' site was one of two archaeological sites in Jordan to receive the award at a special signing ceremony on September 29 at Tal Hesban, the site of a town which is believed to date to the Bronze Age.

The U.S. Embassy of Jordan Chargé d'Affaires David Hale signed the award at the afternoon celebration. Randall Younker, director of Andrews' Institute of Archaeology, attended the ceremony and presented a speech by Andrews University anthropology professor and Hesban senior director Øystein LaBianca. Also attending the ceremony were Hesban Mayor Khalil Dabbas and Hesban Provincial Governor Ahmad Khatatbeh.

The Ambassador's Fund awards projects that protect sites and artifacts of historical or cultural importance in countries in need of assistance. Since its inception in 2001, the Fund has given money to projects in 106 nations.



Hesban, Jordan has been a site of archaeological work since 1968, when Siegfried Horn, an Andrews University archaeologist, began the dig. Since then, Andrews University has been involved in archaeological work at multiple sites in Jordan.

The award will be used to restore areas of the Hesban site, including part of an Ammonite/Hellenistic citadel, a historically important Byzantine church, and a Roman plaza. The site will also be made more accessible to tourists and tour buses, enabling it to become an educational destination.

## Happenings at the Howard

On Saturday, October 8, the Howard Performing Arts Center kicked off its 2005-2006 season with Opening Night 2005!, a free concert featuring Andrews University artists.

The concert showcased a variety of music styles and musicians. Carey Pearson, soprano, sang a selection of Gershwin favorites; Marcelo Caceres, piano, played pieces by Chopin and Schumann; Carla Trynchuk, violin, with Peter Cooper, piano, performed a piece by Saint-Saens; Claudio Gonzalez, violin, Trynchuk and Cooper performed a piece by de Saraste; and Cardinal Number, a local jazz band, played a selection of jazz standards, accompanied by singer Jasmine Zork.

"We are thrilled to begin another season of classical music programming at the Howard Center," said Howard Manager Debbie Poole. "We want to make sure that our entire community has an opportunity to experience excellent music in our concert hall—this free concert featuring Andrews University faculty, staff, students and community artists, is our gift to the community."

On October 22, Canadian Brass performed to a full house at the Howard Center as part of the second annual Howard Series. Canadian Brass, called "incomparable and remarkable" by *Knoxville News*, is well-known for performing music of various genres with quality and brilliance.

Canadian Brass is the quintet-in-residence at the Music Academy of the West in Santa Barbara, Calif. Training and music education of the next generation of musicians is an interest of the quintet. They established a summer brass course at the Eastman School of Music and often host master classes on their tours.

Additionally, the Howard plays host to FUSION, a monthly Friday evening concert featuring an eclectic mix of religious music. Plus fall concerts by the Wind Symphony and Symphony Orchestra, senior recitals and guest speakers for university forums, have made for a busy fall season. A schedule of upcoming events is available online at [howard.andrews.edu](http://howard.andrews.edu).



The Canadian Brass delighted the audience with their skillful repertoire and banter, October 22.



Carla Trynchuk, professor of music, and Peter Cooper, chair of the department of music, perform Saint-Saens at Opening Night 2005!



The Lloyd Carr-Harris Quartet from Montreal, Canada, winners of the 2005 Fischhoff Chamber Music Competition, October 20.



University Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Claudio Gonzalez, October 16