

# CAMPUS CACHE

So AU is handing out scholarships to the best and brightest? Without getting too sentimental, the CC is reminded of several songs from yesteryear. In spite of the cries of “money, money” echoing in our heads, the CC recognizes that “money can’t buy” you love, even if you’re a “material girl.” On the other hand, we’ve also noticed that life rarely results in anyone receiving “money for nothin’.” The CC’s advice to entering freshmen, “go on, take the money and run” right to the library. And keep up those grades!

## Campus Craze—Money Edition

*This edition, it’s all about the Benjamins!*

<b>Budgets</b>		Let’s say that you’re a fashion designer. And let’s say that someone says, “Here’s \$173.29. Now, use this money to teach budding fashion designers all they need to know so that they will become fashion designers who will change the world.” Now imagine that you’re an AU educator....
<b>Student Financial Services</b>		Shorter lines. Better service. What more do you want?
<b>Collections</b>		The CC likes to hear that AU’s collections efforts are paying off; but it’s still depressing that so many people refuse to honor their financial commitments in the first place.
<b>Charitable giving</b>		The CC challenges you to write a check for \$100 right now! Whether the check is made payable to AU or some other worthy recipient, giving is good. Right now ... put down <i>Focus</i> , go get your checkbook and write a check. You’ll be glad you did ... and <i>Focus</i> will still be right here when you get back.
<b>Charitable solicitations</b>		Giving may be good, but the CC doesn’t like all the junk mail and telephone calls.
<b>Tithe</b>		Giving the Lord’s 10% to the Church makes possible collective efforts—like Andrews University. The CC doesn’t think the Lord will divert forgiveness until individuals are more perfect....
<b>401Ks</b>		Literally.
<b>Financial Aid</b>		Everything else at AU was cut last year, but AU increased financial aid to a cool \$6.2 million. The CC thinks that investing in AU students was a good idea...despite the fact that there is a decidedly poor “return” on those students who haven’t figured out the relationship between class attendance and learning.
<b>Unfilled jobs</b>		Everyone complains about how difficult it is to “afford” a high-quality Christian education. So the CC is wondering why the cafeteria can’t find enough student workers to fill its needs....
<b>Wages</b>		Despite AU’s long-term efforts to increase the wage scale for faculty, this year’s freeze leaves the CC chilly.
<b>Dollar coins</b>		Whether it’s a Susan B. Anthony or a Sacagawea Golden Dollar, the CC loves the hard dollar! The CC is chagrined, but not surprised, that Americans won’t warm to the dollar coin despite the fact that dollar coins would save U.S. taxpayers \$150 million per year. How much is \$150 million? It could totally fund Andrews University, with pay raises for all employees and free tuition for all students for nearly three years!

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## Fun-da-mental Facts

- AU alum, Douglas Benson, has donated to his alma mater art and furnishings appraised at approximately \$1 million. The last time AU received or purchased \$1 million in art and furnishings was...well...never. Thanks to Dr. Benson for classy-ing up the campus.
- AU accepts Visa, Mastercard, Discover and, yes, American Express.
- "College Days" is now "University Preview"—the CC thinks that "College Days" sounds like more fun.
- The current tuition cost for a 4-year undergraduate degree at AU is \$53,600. Over a lifetime, the earning gap between an individual with a high school diploma and an individual with a college degree is in excess of \$1 million. Hmm. A 2000% return on investment? Regardless of what the stock market does, the CC isn't aware of any better return.

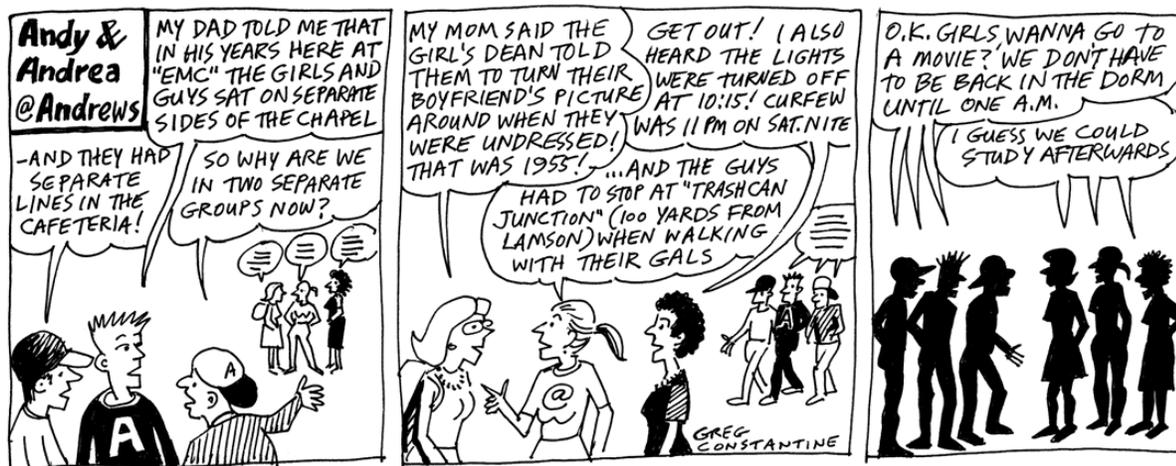
### A Frowzy Fallacy

(or a silly syllogism)

Money does not grow on trees.

AU alumni do not grow on trees.

Therefore, AU alumni are virtually synonymous with money.



## Speaking of . . .

*"I am throwing it in support of education."*

NEA on where his vote will be cast in the debate over Proposition 4 on the Michigan ballot, over whether to use the State's tobacco settlement money to pay for healthcare or education.

(General faculty meeting, Chan Shun Hall, Oct. 28, 2002)

*"Gen-ed's' should not be classes we spend hours and hours slaving over just to graduate."*

Student Movement editor, Michele Krpalek, in her "It's My Turn" editorial dated October 23, 2002.

*"... and we even have a budget!"*

Shelley Bradfield, member of the University Special Events Committee, on the Committee's effort to find ways to encourage university departments to throw parties at which they invite and host other departments with whom they don't typically interact. (General faculty meeting, Chan Shun Hall, Oct. 28, 2002)