



AU alum “rediscovers” ivory-billed woodpecker

Considered extinct for some 60 years, an ivory-billed woodpecker was recently sighted by a team of researchers that included Andrews University alum, Bobby Harrison (BA '81). The researchers' exciting discovery, which elicited national media attention, was made in the “Big Woods” region of eastern Arkansas. Harrison, currently an associate professor of art and photography at Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama, was one of the first three people to see and identify the bird.

Since 1973, Harrison has been an avid bird watcher with a special interest in the ivory-bill. He received a BA in fine arts with an emphasis in photography from Andrews in 1981, and then went on to receive an MS in media technology from Alabama A&M University. Harrison's avian interests have led to several articles on birds and bird photography published in magazines such as *Audubon*, *Living Bird*, *Birder's World*, *Wild Bird*, and *Outdoor Photographer*.

Pictured left: Bobby Harrison hangs a decoy that he carved of a female ivorybilled woodpecker on a tree in the Cache River National Wildlife Refuge in Arkansas. The decoys are used as part of the Big Woods Conservation Partnership search effort. Photo credit: Mark Godfrey / The Nature Conservancy

Congrats Class of 2005!



More than 150 members of the class of 2005 braved the cool spring weather to celebrate at the annual Alumni picnic for graduates. The grads had the honor of being the first group to enjoy new picnic tables purchased jointly by the Student Association, University Relations and Alumni Services.

Attention former organ students of Dr. C. Warren Becker!

We would like to honor the memory of Dr. Becker at homecoming this year with a special recital by his former students. The event will take place the afternoon of Saturday, October 1. If you are interested in participating, please contact Dr. Kenneth Logan at 269-471-3231 or by email at klogan@andrews.edu.

New alumni board

Andrews University Alumni Board Members are busy making plans for the first-ever Fall homecoming, scheduled for September 29–October 2, 2005. The Board is comprised of: Barry Finkbeiner (BBA '84), *President*, Tami Condon (BS '91), *Secretary*, Donald Bedney (MDiv '90, MSA '91), Debbie Busch (BS '92), Joe Francisco (BSW '96), Ron Herr (BA '72), Nadine Nelson (BBA '99, MBA '01), Michele Shelton (BS '87), Birgit Trubey (AS '81, BS '90), Timbul Tambunan (BBA '90), and Guillermo Magana, Student Representative.

Florida Fellowship



Memories of Andrews University came alive in Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla., with warm Sabbath fellowship hosted by Hal and Betty Phillips. Fine food prepared and served is a joy to the Phillips and loved by these twenty-two former AU staff and students pictured above. Just ask 'em! L-R: Dave Wilber, Luella Wilber, Sy Saliba, Kendall Hill, Marilyn Hill, Nona Ludeman, Weldon Fivash, Herb Pritchard, Marilyn Fivash, Bob Ludeman, Judy Pritchard, Shirley John, Roland John, Leora Williams, Alma Brown, Bob Williams, Betty Phillips, Hal Phillips, Thelma Woolever, Dave Hodge, Coleman Woolever, Jeannette Hodge