

Alumni Gatherings

Summer Camp Meetings

June 14, 21 & 28, 2008

Throughout the month of June, alumni were able to meet and greet each other and representatives from Andrews University during various alumni gatherings hosted at area camp meetings. At the Indiana, Wisconsin, Lake Region and Michigan (*pictured below*) camp meetings alumni were able to enjoy strawberry shortcake while catching up with old friends.

For the first time, **Sharon Dudgeon** (MMus '86) hosted a gathering at the Southern New England camp meeting held in South Lancaster, Mass.



NAD Retirees' Convention

Thursday, July 10, 2008

This year the NAD Retirees' Convention was held on the campus of Andrews University. On Thursday the attendees were able to break for lunch sponsored by the Alumni Office. Approximately 100 retirees filled the lobby of Chan Shun Hall for a wonderful lunch and a presentation by President Niels-Erik Andreasen on the recent additions to campus.



Picnic for August grads

Thursday, July 31, 2008

There was a great turnout from the summer class of 2008 at a festive Mexican-themed picnic, sponsored by the Alumni Association. Alumni Board members, President Andreasen and faculty members all came out behind the Alumni House to celebrate with the graduates. Each graduate left with a leather folio, embossed with the Andrews seal, to commemorate their Andrews experience as they begin their professional journey as new members of the Andrews University Alumni Association.



ASI Convention

Thursday, August 7, 2008, Tampa, Fla.

Over 80 alumni enjoyed visiting with one another and listening to President Andreasen share news from campus. We even had some travel from the Orlando area—thank you for making the effort. A light supper was served in the Waterfront Room at Jackson's Bistro, where it was a pleasure to be in an air conditioned room with a panoramic view of the bay—especially when we were told it was the summer's hottest day. We can't wait to see you next year in Phoenix.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

In a standing-room-only courtroom crowded with colleagues, judges, friends, and family, **Lamont (Monty) Christian Berez** (BA '97) was sworn in as a judge of the fourth judicial district of Idaho. At age 34, Monty becomes the youngest sitting judge in the State of Idaho.

Honorable James Cawthon presided over the ceremony, and Justice Joel Horton of the Idaho Supreme Court administered the Oath of Office.

In his response, Monty recognized his mother, **Victoria (George) Berez** (att.), for instilling in him a kindness and compassion for others, his father, **John Berez** (att., retired faculty) for his boundless energy and intellectual inspiration, and his stepmom, **Deborah Bennett Berez** (BS '88), for her involvement in

progressive legal concepts such as collaborative law. Additionally, he thanked his wife, Sophie, for her unflinching support and love.

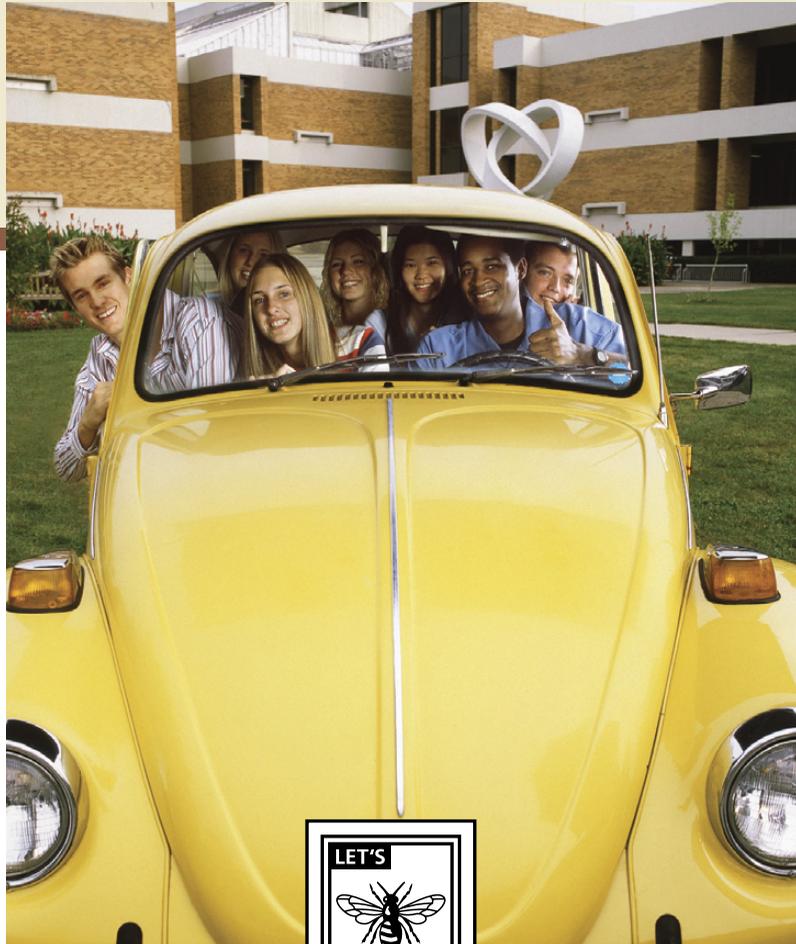
Prior to taking the bench, Monty worked the last several years as a deputy prosecuting attorney in Boise, Idaho. Monty is currently assigned as a judge in the Juvenile Division. He was one of six finalists who were interviewed for the position. The commissioners who made the final selection were impressed not only with his legal experience and reputation working at the prosecutor's office, but also with Monty's extensive involvement with youth, including his ten years working at summer camps.

Monty credits his seventh and eighth grade English teacher at Ruth Murdoch Elementary School, **Virginia Nachreiner** (BA '68, MAT '84, current staff), for stoking his interest in the field of law. He was also strongly influenced by **Thomas Baker** (MA '81) at Andrews Academy, who pushed him to pursue excellence in writing, critical thinking, and who always had a passion for the Constitution. At Andrews University, where he majored in biology, Monty was influenced by various professors, especially **James Hayward** (MA '75, current faculty), his advisor in the biology department.

Monty served as the 1996–1997 student association president during his senior year at Andrews. He earned his law degree at the University of Virginia School of Law, graduating in 2000, and is admitted to practice with the Bar of the State of Idaho and the United States Courts.



Following the Oath of Office, Sophie (Anderson) Berez placed the black robe over her husband's shoulders and was the first to congratulate him. Their daughters Isabelle, 5, Lucy, 3 and Lydia, 11 months, were also present.



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GENERAL PREVIEW EVENTS

October 19 & 20, 2008
 February 8 & 9, 2009
 March 8 & 9, 2009
 April 5 & 6, 2009

JUNIOR PREVIEW EVENT

November 9 & 10, 2008 (Lake Union Juniors)

STANDOUT Spiritual Retreat

To be announced. For more information, visit standout.andrews.edu

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