

Dear Friend,

Finals are done, students are gone, faculty are off campus for a well-deserved break, and we wish you a Merry Christmas from Andrew College! In this month's edition of the monthly e-newsletter we are proud to feature the arts, the promotion of two valuable staff members, and the hiring of a men's basketball coach so we can reinstate Tiger men's basketball in 2017-18.

And that's not the only thing coming back to campus next year: I am so pleased to announce that our faculty have approved a bachelor's degree in business administration which will be sent to SACS for approval for a Fall of 2017 start. If all falls into place, for the first time in 100 years Andrew College will offer a baccalaureate degree. The associate degree level programs of nursing, regenerative agriculture, and forestry are all in different stages of approval from accrediting agencies, also. Andrew College will continue to evolve in service to Southwest Georgia and beyond. We will, as the slogan of our strategic plan states, Reach Higher.

We will always be that small and caring environment where students thrive. As 2016 comes to an end, 2017 promises to be a benchmark year in the life of a college that was placed here by the United Methodist Church to serve and inspire a region. We wish you a blessed and peaceful Christmas, and healthy and prosperous New Year.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR YEAR-END GIFTS TO THE ANNUAL FUND

Recently you received a letter asking for your financial support. Please consider a tax-deductible gift before January 1 to support our new academic programs. Thank you!

Best,

Linda

CAMPUS NEWS



Staff Promotions

Two Andrew College employees have received promotions. Julie Cadle, a familiar Cuthbert native, has taken on the role of vice president for finance, and Kirsten Cochran has accepted the position of administrative assistant for the dean of academic affairs.

President Linda Buchanan said, “We are fortunate to have two such talented and dedicated Andrew College alumni on staff. Both are able to bring a local perspective to their jobs as well as other talents and expertise. I am extremely pleased that both Julie and Kirsten were willing to take on new roles at Andrew College.”

Julie Cadle began her employment at Andrew 34 years ago in Accounts Payable. She was then promoted to assistant bursar, then bursar and in December 1999 to controller. Julie is a 1979 graduate of Andrew College. She grew up in Cuthbert and as an elementary student, would walk over from school to her mother’s office at Andrew, who at that time, was the bursar. Julie has deep ties to Andrew, having met her husband at the college and all three of their daughters graduated from Andrew College also.

Kirsten Cochran, a 2013 Andrew College graduate and area native, received her B.S. in Sociology degree from Georgia Southwestern State University. She previously held the position of program assistant for Andrew Serves. During her time as a student she was an Andrew Serves scholar and received certification in Leadership Development Studies. Kirsten lives in Morgan, Georgia with her husband, and they are expecting their first child in February.

Fighting Tiger's head men's basketball coach joins Andrew team

James “Jamie” Brooks has been hired to be Andrew’s head men’s basketball coach and will restart the program for the 2017-2018 season.

Brooks has 11 years of coaching experience, including two seasons as a head coach and nine as an assistant coach. He has coached at Central Georgia Technical College, Middle Georgia College, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, and most recently spent time at Cave Spring High School in Roanoke, Virginia. While at Central Georgia Technical College as head women’s basketball coach, Brooks led the women to a back-to-back 20+ win season for the first time in school history and back-to-back GCAA Tournament Final Four trips for the first time in school history.

Brooks is a graduate of Lee County High School in Leesburg, Georgia, and has a bachelor’s degree from Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia in business marketing. Jamie is engaged to be married to Jessica Lawless of Leesburg, Georgia.



Festival of Lessons and Carols welcomed in the Christmas season

The Choraliers delivered their annual Festival of Lessons and Carols program in December in the Jones Chapel with participation from a gathering of community, faculty, staff and students. The Choraliers are directed by Dr. Marc Boensel. A special musical prelude was performed by the Albany Chorale.





AndrewServes gains awareness and gives back

Students completed one of AndrewServes' biggest on-campus projects ever as they built ShantyTown on November 17. Cardboard box houses in which 30 students stayed in overnight were built as part of an awareness project regarding homelessness and poverty housing.

Students also partnered with the Randolph County Elementary School, the HeadStart program, and the Millenium Center to bring Christmas presents to Randolph County children in need.

Fall Art Show features student work

The Visual Art Program held an open house on Monday, December 5 which showcased students' work for the fall semester. Work featured included paintings, drawings, two-dimensional design studies, low relief sculpture, and a number of collaborative mural-sized works.



Chris Johnson, assistant professor of visual art and director of visual art program, said that he was very pleased with the quality of his students' work. He elaborated, "I am always so surprised at the level of originality and creativity with which my students approach each class assignment. One of the most amazing parts of teaching art at Andrew College is witnessing the students' transition from being beginning students, unsure in their artistic abilities and the value of their individuality, into artists who are confident in their ideas, technique, uniqueness, and being open about sharing their perspective.

The art show ran from December 5-9 and was open to the public.

Community enjoyed student theatre



Andrew College presented Jim Leonard Jr.'s captivating story, *The Diviners*, November 3-5 in the Liddie Murphy Theatre in Old Main. The show, performed by Andrew College students, was under the direction of Nate Gross, assistant professor of theatre.

The historic Liddie Murphy Theatre seats 175 and has welcomed audiences to Andrew for over 120 years. Recent renovations include LED lighting, a digital soundboard, new curtains, resurfaced floors, and reupholstered and refinished historic seats. Students are trained to use all equipment in theatre classes and in practical production roles.

Did you know?

Before The Festival of Lessons and Carols, Andrew College was known for its Madrigal Dinners featuring the Choraliers. Students and community members remember the delicious food, the authentic atmosphere and the beautiful music of the Madrigal Dinners. This photo is from the 1970s.



Calling all Educators

Our Admissions staff would like to send a gift to all alumni educators as a token of your service to students.

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Email AndyGeeter@andrewcollege.edu

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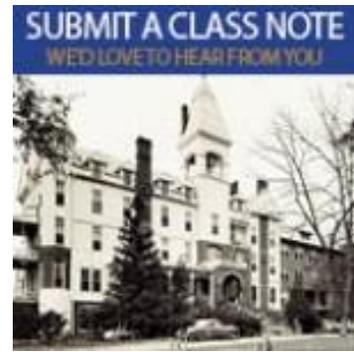


You've wanted to know what your classmates are doing, and we're finding out. Watch our website for a new Class Notes section, coming in January. Look for this addition under the "Alumni & Friends" section.

Let us know how you're doing!

We want to hear from you. We are developing a "Class Note" section on our alumni website page and want to hear of your accomplishments, moves, marriages, deaths, etc. Please send us your information.

You can update your information at <https://www.andrewcollege.edu/update-your-info.html> at the bottom in the "Let us know what you're doing" section.



Are you an Andrew Sweetheart?



Did you and your spouse/partner meet at Andrew College? If so, we want to hear from you and learn your story. Please email us at development@andrewcollege.edu with your contact information so we can reach out to you.

Thanks to those who have already given us this information. But, we know there are more Sweethearts out there, so please let us know how you're doing.

Email Reminder

We have discovered that many of our alums use g-mail for their email service. If you know of someone who is not receiving this newsletter and uses g-mail, please tell them to look for us in their "Promotions" or "Social" inbox. They will then have to designate that they would like our newsletters to go to their regular email box.

We would like to reach all of our alumni to assure that they not miss out of any of the exciting things that are happening at Andrew! Please help us in this endeavor.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Holiday

December 21-January 2

Offices closed

Classes Resume

Monday, January 10

Martin Luther King Day

Monday, January 14

No classes and offices closed

From your Andrew College family,



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