

Hall of Faith

Phyllis and Rick Regester



Both Rick and Phyllis Regester, staff members at MBA for approximately 35 years, fondly remember MBA as being an idyllic place to minister to students, grow professionally and raise children.

Rick and Phyllis met on the campus of Andrews University, were married in 1965, and graduated in 1966. Three years later they moved to MBA where they enthusiastically immersed themselves in campus life.

Phyllis was actively involved in developing the English as a Second Language (ESL) Immersion program which successfully continues today with more than 20 students. ESL students from all over the world participate in the MBA experience, which includes academics, social life, and an introduction to Christ.

Upon his arrival at MBA, Rick enthusiastically worked to introduce graphic arts technology into the classroom. He taught a variety of other classes including photography and woodworking. Rick also taught a class on yearbook production, during which he worked on more than 30 Cypress Bough yearbooks. In addition, he served as a flight instructor in the ground school at MBA in the 70s.

Phyllis retired from MBA in 2006 and Rick left in 2004 to pursue a degree in nursing. Phyllis and Rick currently live on a secluded 180-acre farm in the Arkansas Ozarks. They have a son, Michael '90, and a daughter, Michelle '87.

MBA is proud to recognize the continuous evolution of technology initiated and taught by Rick Regester for 36 years and 28 years of dedication by Phyllis Regester especially in the initiation of MBA's ESL program that continues to this day.