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The magazine’s name, *The Galax*, honors a traditional school emblem, the galax plant, which is indigenous to our area of Western North Carolina. It was also the name of the first school paper, the Galax Leaf. Among the first subjects taught at Christ School was printing, and the printing office began publishing the Galax Leaf in October of 1901. This was not only a local newspaper; it was designed to advertise the school’s needs in the hope of donations from well-wishers.

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FROM THE HEAD

A LETTER
FROM THE
HEADMASTER

WHAT BOYS STILL NEED TO KNOW



It is not a stretch for me to say that my students are growing up in a very different world than I did. If we could transport the average 15-year-old Christ School freshman to my world at the same age, that would place him (us) firmly back in November 1969. That month, Wendy's opened its first restaurant, Denny McLain won the AL Cy Young award, Lt. William Calley was accused of the mass murder of Vietnamese civilians in the My Lai massacre, Apollo 12's Charles Conrad and Alan Bean became the third and fourth humans on the moon, and The Beatles "Abbey Road" album soared to #1 on the pop charts. Though full, my life was a tad simpler.

My family had two black-and-white TVs and one very public hall telephone for use by my seven siblings and me. Our news came in the mornings from *The Newark Star Ledger* and in the evenings via the CBS *Nightly News* with Walter Cronkite. Our milk was delivered to our back porch every Tuesday and Friday by Bill, the milkman from Brennan's Dairy. I don't remember fretting too much about friends, school, or my future. I was, as they say, entirely in the moment. If there were such a thing as "stress," I was not aware of it.

Today, the life of an adolescent boy has all the potential of being more frenetic, pressured, and overstimulating. On one side, there is the adult

obsession of reminding their children to always have a college and career path in place; there is the often-repeated refrain of dire warnings that what a teenage boy does today will forever have a direct impact on his life 20 years from now; and there is also the ever-present importance of being a "player" on social media. Six months ago, one of our sophomores asked me if the school's internet could remain on past 11:00 p.m. When I inquired as to why, he replied, "Mr. Krieger, I am 5' 7" and 138 lbs. I'm nobody. If I am not active on social media - quipping, posting, responding, and making people laugh - I will be passed over by the cooler kids." Yikes, and that's supposed to be the fun stuff.

Given the two completely different worlds separating our generations, I wondered what constants exist across the ages. Surely there must be some essentials, some time-tested attributes that are common for all teenage boys, regardless of when or where they grow up. So, after working for almost 30 years with adolescent males, I offer this brief list:

Learn to be Grateful – No one likes a taker. We all have been the beneficiaries of someone else's kindness, generosity, and wisdom. Learn to say "thank you" often, and even better, learn to put your "thank you's" in writing.

Have Faith – Learn to have faith in yourself, your mentors, role models, God, and the world around you. Faith is confidence turned into achievement and progress.

Delay Gratification – Learn to put off what is pleasurable today for a greater benefit sometime in the future. This is especially difficult for adolescents, as the process of maturity is not always complete until their mid-20s. Delaying gratification is like making an investment. Payoffs will come with patience and time.

Don't Put it in Print – Social media is a time bomb for today's teenagers. EVERYTHING is traceable, trackable, and retrievable. What may be exhilarating today on Instagram is tomorrow's pie-in-the-face. Your absence from Facebook, Twitter, and Snapchat will not do irreparable harm to the world and may keep you out of the line of fire down the road.

Learn Resilience – Life is dirty, unfair, unjust, prejudiced, vicious, and difficult. Therefore, do not allow yourself to think or act like a victim. Acquired victimhood is a one-way street and almost always in the wrong direction. The ability to pick yourself up and keep on trudging forward is the most necessary of skills. Only the people who possess this trait will discover true satisfaction, and if you're truly fortunate, find happiness.

Listen – Almost all of what we learn is from others. They inform us, teach us, and provide light for us – all of which are critical to our growth. So, be tolerant of others, embrace new ideas, and entertain differences of opinion. When you have done all of that, you can then stand firm in your convictions.

Don't Whine – In my experience, there is nothing worse than a teenage boy who whines and complains. No one likes to associate with an excuse-maker. Teenage boys between 12-14 years old manned the Pony Express; boys 18-19 years old flew B-17's over Germany in WWII. We know what boys are capable of. Leave the whining to toddlers.

Don't be Sorry, be Responsible – Hold yourself accountable, because everyone else in your life certainly will. Why not show up on time, ready to work, with a positive attitude? It is far better than having to constantly say "I'm sorry." Statistics indicate that you will probably live to be 87 years old, so learn to eradicate the phrase "I'm sorry" from your repertoire. Instead, make a plan, own it, and then be sure to follow through with it.

Learn to Get Comfortable with Boredom – With all the many diversions and distractions, your generation has such a hard time with this. Boredom can bring freedom, freedom from the need and habit of always being entertained. In my opinion, no one stuck in such routines ever created anything meaningful. It is often when you are bored that your mind begins to wander, thus allowing the shackles on creativity to fall by the wayside. It is then that fresh ideas, possibilities, and new directions will emerge.

I am sure this list could be added to, but I am convinced that one reason for Christ School's success is that it seeks to hold on to the values that have stood the test of time and have guided generations of boys into manhood.

Sincerely,



Paul M. Krieger
Headmaster

ROCK CLIMBING

ASHEVILLE



The possibility of reaching over a bulge, sliding my fingers into one of Looking Glass's eyebrow formations (horizontal fissures: some deep, some flaring), and being bitten by a copperhead is what scares me the most. But when I climb on Looking Glass Rock, I don't have a choice. Hand holds are scarce.

Above: Brent Kaneft helps daughter Kate Austen get her hand into an "eyebrow" on Looking Glass Rock.

For millions of years, rainwater flowed down its less-than-vertical face and made the rock as smooth as – you guessed it – glass. So instead of relying on upper-body strength, I am confined to the power and balance in my legs. Shift too far to the left, I fall. Too far to the right, I slip. The perfect position is any position that keeps your weight over your feet, because it is friction that keeps you on this rock. Key, too, is the rubber on the bottom of your shoes and how much surface contact it makes with the cold granite.

The most famous route on this rock is The Nose, first climbed in 1966 by some pioneering young adventurers: Steve Longenecker, Bob Watts, and Bob Gillespie. If you're a local climber, these names are already pinned to the wall of fame in your imagination; if not, they mean nothing to you. And that's part of what makes climbing a unique sport – there's not a lot of fame that comes with it. Most climbers who make first ascents walk back to an empty parking lot; a cold beer at the bottom of a slushy cooler is their only reward. On the rock, you are alone.

I have climbed The Nose over 30 times. In the climbing world, it is considered a moderate

climb, nothing to write home about. In the non-climbing world, it's as intimidating as climbing, well, anything. The truth about The Nose is that it's a classic because it is easier to climb; offers good protection to keep the climber safe; and has incredible views of the Pisgah National Forest, 400 feet off the deck. This cannot be said of all climbs in the southeast, so people come from all over the world to climb this behemoth, which, when the winter rain freezes on its surface, reflects the sun like a looking glass.

It takes me 47 minutes to get from my front door to the base of this climb (yes, I've timed it). This access is one of the biggest draws to working for Christ School: within a 60-mile radius there are serious mountains to climb. Of course, you don't have to climb them. Many offer hiking trails to the top. And none is better than the one that leads to the top of Looking Glass Rock. 3.2 miles to the top, gradually uphill all the way. So, if you don't want to climb to the top, hike it. Bring snacks, and if I were you, I would plan on stopping by Sierra Nevada Brewery on the way home for lunch. You will have earned a thick burger and a cold brew. ■



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DISCOVER
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By Brent Kanett

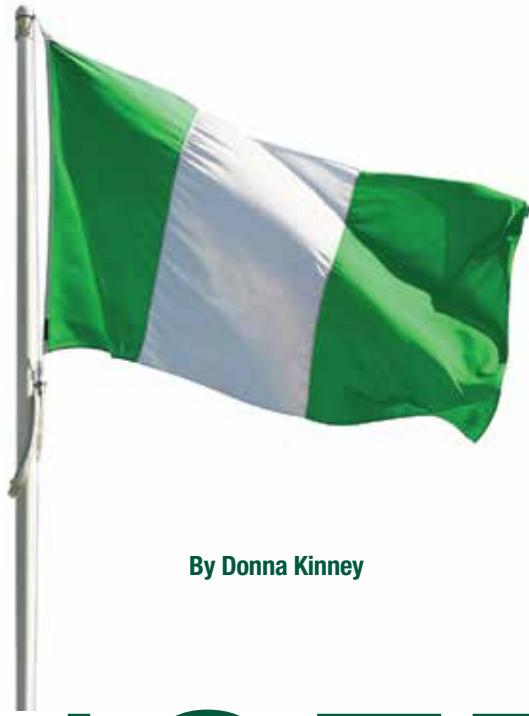
Left: The diagonal scar that runs upward from left to right, directly in the picture's middle, is the famous "ramp" pitch on The Nose route of Looking Glass Mountain.

GAME



Nigerians Wisdom Asaboro '19
and Justice Ajogbor '20 Radiate
Empowerment and Possiblity

By Donna Kinney



CHANGERS



The fact that Wisdom Asaboro and Justice Ajogbor towered over their classmates when they arrived on campus in August wasn't the only thing that set them apart. It was also that, in 85-degree heat, they were bundled from head to toe. Both from Nigeria, their thermostat is set a little higher than that of the rest of us.

Left: Wisdom, Juliet, and Justice meet Mason Plumlee '09 this summer at the first day of practice in The Greenie Dome.

The climate would be the first of many adjustments they would make over the course of the fall. Easing their transition and serving as host parents for the boys and liaisons with Christ School are Gina and Greg Bridgeford, parents of Jack '15 and Finn '18 and board members of the Nigeria-based organization that helped bring Wisdom and Justice here, A2S (Access to Success).

A2S was founded by former basketball player and Davidson College graduate Andrew Lovedale. After leaving Nigeria to study and play basketball at Davidson, Lovedale was struck by the excess of athletic shoes each season. Where he came from, shoes were a rare commodity, costing more than a month's salary. He and his teammates began setting aside extra pairs. By his final season in 2008, when Davidson made the Elite Eight, he had collected 10,500 pairs of shoes and \$15,000 in donations to bring back home. Although A2S was founded in 2010 and run by volunteers while Lovedale was playing professional basketball in Europe, Lovedale decided to retire from basketball in 2013 to run A2S full-time and to make helping Nigerian children his life's work. The program includes an after-school

academy and a summer program in Benin City that combines academic classes, basketball, and Bible study. Its mission is to transform the lives of Nigerian children through academics, athletics, and faith in an effort to increase the percentage of students who achieve higher levels of education, and thereby reduce poverty.

The Bridgefords and A2S

An avid Davidson basketball fan, Greg Bridgeford followed Andrew's career at Davidson and watched him coach both of his sons in basketball camps. But it was after he helped out with an A2S fundraiser and met Davidson head coach Bob McKillop that he realized he needed to know more. He and Gina attended an information session that spurred them into action. "It really touched our hearts to hear what a difference A2S was able to make in these children's lives," Gina says. A self-described "doer," Gina was ready to step up. Greg had just retired, and the time seemed right to approach Andrew about hosting an A2S student here in the US. Upon further reflection, they decided to host two students so that they could support one another and not feel alone so far from home.



Above: Greg and Gina Bridgeford P'15, P'18 visit with an A2S teacher's family in Nigeria.

Right: Justice, Jack '15, Jennifer Omonuwa (A2S sophomore at Concord First Assembly), Wisdom, Finn '18, and Juliet visit campus in August.





Both Gina and Greg felt that they needed to go to Nigeria to gain context and insight. So they signed up last summer as volunteers for the basketball and empowerment camps. During their visit, they also went to a refugee camp on the outskirts of Benin City and visited families of A2S students, including Wisdom's and Justice's family. Justice, whose parents died when he was 10, has two brothers and three sisters; he is closest to his sister Susan, who raised him. Wisdom has two brothers and five sisters.

Getting the boys here was challenging due to the obstacles in securing F-1 student visas on their first try. Both boys were turned down once. Wisdom was accepted on his second try when his father, who is a minister, accompanied him. He then boarded a plane for the first time and navigated his way through terminals and gates to fly alone to the States.

For Justice, it took three tries, finally getting accepted when his sister accompanied him. Greg flew back and forth throughout June and July to see the boys through the process, returning with Justice once his visa was issued. Greg points out that the Christ School administration was invaluable during that difficult time, putting in hours of emailing, phone calls, and Face Time sessions. "It never would have been possible without an amazing commitment from the administration and the staff at CS, and we are very blessed that this was possible," Greg says.

Adjusting to Life in the States

Wisdom and Justice spent a month with the Bridgefords in Davidson before beginning classes at Christ School, a time to acclimate to life here and adjust to their family. "They do call us Mom and Dad, and really our goal is not

Justice and Wisdom with fellow Cuninghammers.



Above: Justice and Wisdom with new friend Clarke MacDonald '21.

“Both players are incredibly coachable and supportive teammates. They don't care if they start, or how much playing time they get, they are enjoying being a part of the team and will only continue to get better.”

—Bobby Long, Associate Head Varsity Basketball Coach

to be host parents but to integrate them into our family,” says Gina. And they seem to be settling in quite well. A big LeBron fan, Wisdom is crazy about the color red. He sports red tennis shoes and a red backpack. Gina drew the line, however, when he asked for a red blazer. “He really lives out loud. He’s funny and loves to have fun,” Greg says. Wisdom has already attended two mixers at Salem Academy girls’ school.

“Justice is more of a classic introvert,” says Greg, preferring to quietly listen to music in his room. “We knew that he was getting comfortable when he started singing country music around the house.” Kenny Rogers is his favorite. He discovered Rogers’s “Coward of the County” when he was still in Nigeria and was drawn to the story. He’s since expanded his repertoire to Don Williams, Willie Nelson, Johnny Cash, and Tim McGraw.

The Bridgefords’ added a third A2S student to their family in August. Juliet Esadah has been in the U.S. for two years completing high school, and she just started as a freshman at Jones County Junior College in Ellisville, MS.

Despite the boys’ height – they are both 6'9" – and mature appearance, they are really quite young. Justice just turned 15 in October and Wisdom is 16. They’ve been practicing with the

varsity basketball players since the beginning of school. According to assistant varsity basketball coach Bobby Long, "Both players are incredibly coachable and supportive teammates. They don't care if they start, or how much playing time they get, they are enjoying being a part of the team and will only continue to get better."

One of their biggest adjustments was getting used to the idea of a faculty that is interactive and caring. In Nigeria there is a strict divide between faculty and students, and faculty use harsh measures of discipline, including beating students with a stick for dozing off in class. Gina and Greg had to explain to them that the culture is different here and that the faculty at Christ School are devoted to helping them succeed.

When I sat down with Wisdom and Justice over lunch in Christ School's Stolz Hall, Wisdom pushed aside his plate of pizza and confided that what he misses most from home is the food, especially black-eyed peas. "All of the food is different in Nigeria," he says, "even the fruits are all different."

Both had a hard time believing that a family would step forward the way the Bridgefords have and treat them like their own children. "I came from a really big family, so I never thought there would be people who would take in people who they never knew into their home and make them part of their lives," says Justice. Wisdom, who sketches designs of cars and engines, dreams of being an automobile engineer. Both are determined to get the best education possible.

It's not surprising that Gina and Greg, staunch supporters of everything Christ School, would find an affinity with A2S. "The really fascinating thing about this is that when you look at the Christ School mission and the A2S mission, they align so beautifully," says Greg. "In A2S they see sports as an incredible opportunity to develop a balance of body and spirit, leadership and respect. Christ School leans heavily on the Christian aspect of our mission. It just seems to be such a good fit to have these A2S students over here. They bring a unique view of the world, which I think will influence Christ School boys to look at things differently, having seen things through Justice's and Wisdom's eyes." ■

"Our programs are holistic and our goal is to Share Smiles. Inspire Hope. Empower Dreams."

—Andrew Lovedale



ACCESS2SUCCESS

The majority of the work that A2S does is based out of a church in a neighborhood in Benin City, Nigeria. Some 250 children of all ages (mothers often send their toddlers on the back of older siblings) show up every day at 2 p.m. For many children, the program is their only schooling: Only 40 percent of the youth attend regular school due to their parents' inability to pay the fees. A2S educates them and gives them a meal every day, which for many of the children will be their only meal. They're tutored in all the standard subjects, like math and English, but are also taught about empowerment and entrepreneurship.

Mission:

To provide sustainable programs that generate positive change for Nigerian children and their communities.

Programs:

1. After School Academy – Serves 250 kids daily who get a hot meal and are tutored in English, mathematics, and computer technology. A2S recently opened a computer center and a library at the After School Academy.
2. Scholarships – A2S provides need and merit-based scholarships to Nigerian youth. These scholarships are available annually as long as the child meets the criteria.
3. Summer Programs – Free annual basketball and empowerment camps, and free vacation Bible school. Their teams engage in community projects and outreach. They also distribute athletic, educational, and health supplies.
4. Community Care – Responding to the needs of those in the community. They do holiday giving to provide meals for families in need during Christmas. They have also expanded the feeding program to reach out to over 2500 refugees living in Benin City at an IDP (internally displaced persons) camp who were chased away from their homes by the terrorist group, Boko Haram.
5. Feeding Program – Providing one hot meal each day for all children participating in A2S camps and programs.

To learn more visit a2sfoundation.org.

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New Faculty



Above, left to right:
Kyle Fraser, Eric Gorsline,
Andy McMillan '12

Right: Jorge Redmond, Les
Thornbury





Kyle Fraser

Kyler Fraser teaches in the English Department. As a student at Hampden-Sydney College, Kyle was a member of the Old Dominion Athletic Conference All-Academic Team and the recipient of the Shelley A. Marshall Short Story Award. He was also captain of the varsity lacrosse team and the school's representative with the NCAA. He teaches World Lit and Intro to Genres, coaches football and lacrosse, and serves as a houseparent in Cunningham House.

Eric Gorsline

Prior to joining the Christ School faculty, Eric Gorsline served as an admissions and teaching associate at Norfolk Academy. Eric earned his bachelor's degree in Applied Mathematics at Hampden-Sydney College, where he played varsity football and lacrosse. At Christ School, Eric teaches geometry and Algebra II, coaches football and lacrosse, and serves as a houseparent in Young House.

Andy McMillan '12

Andy first arrived at Christ School in 2009 from Ontario, Canada. A multi-sport athlete, Andy earned a spot on Furman University's football team as the punter and holder. While at Furman, Andy was also active on campus as a resident advisor, intramural sports head referee, and a member of Sigma Nu fraternity. He spent his summers working as a clinical assistant and

researcher in the cardiac surgery department at the Public Health Research Institute in Newark, NJ. Andy teaches chemistry, coaches soccer and basketball, and serves as a houseparent in Harris House.

Jorge Redmond

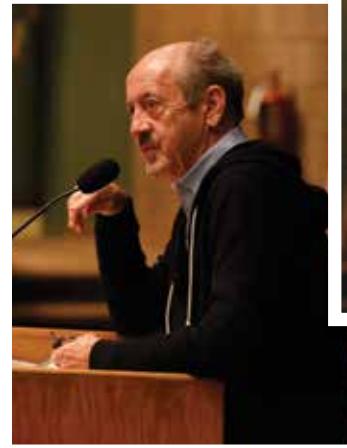
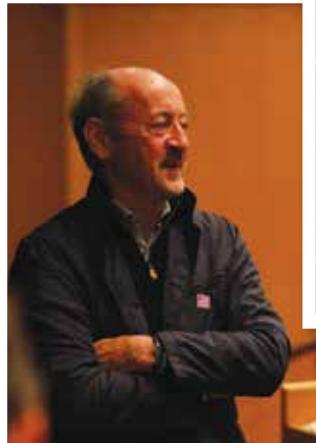
Jorge Redmond is a graduate of the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and John Marshall Law School. He practiced law in Atlanta until he joined our external communications team this spring as the Director of Communications. Jorge played varsity soccer at UNC and earned his degree in Communication Studies with a concentration in Media/Film Production. While at UNC, he worked as an intern for ABC Sports, as sports editor for UNC Sports Extra, and as a videographer and production assistant for the UNC football media office. Jorge is no stranger to Christ School; his brother Sam '08 is an alumnus, and nephews Tyler '17 and Andrew '20 are current Greenies.

Les Thornbury

A graduate of Virginia Military Institute, Les Thornbury spent several years as a Navy F/A 18C pilot. Following his Navy career, he taught Spanish in Connecticut public schools for eight years, including a year as a Fulbright Exchange teacher in Mexico. In addition to teaching Spanish, Les works with the outdoor program and the ski/snowboard team. ■

IN & AROUND YARD A

NEWS
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By Brent Kaneft

Still in His Prime

Former Poet Laureate Billy Collins Visits Christ School

Timidity has never been an accusation leveled at a Burke – which is why Stockton '16 and Jimmy '18 are good students – and I wasn't surprised when the latter sat up in his theater seat and asked, during the Fifth Form's session with former US Poet Laureate Billy Collins, "Mr. Collins, have you passed your prime?" A sly grin spread across Billy Collins's face. His light blue Oxford and navy blue sweater made me think of armchairs and tobacco pipes, legs propped in front of fiery hearths – it was a poet's outfit. His cue-balled head is bookended by spiky patches of grey hair. "Oh, yes," he answered sardonically, "I'm all washed up. Nothing left in the tank."

Everyone laughed. I understood why Jimmy decided to ask the question. A wordsmith himself (his raps are notorious around campus), Jimmy is looking for his own path; it's only natural that he wants to know if the path ends. But I'm glad to say, at 75, Billy Collins is not slowing down.

One month before his visit to Christ School, Billy Collins published his twelfth collection of poetry, *The Rain in Portugal*. In it, he is still the same Billy Collins: funny, insightful, only slightly more meditative on death and memory. Here is an excerpt from "Only Child," his imaginative poem about what life would be like had he had a sister:

*And now that the parents are dead,
I wish I could meet Mary for coffee
every now and then at that Italian place
with the blue awning where we would sit
and reminisce, even on rainy days.
I would gaze into her green eyes
and see my parents, my mother looking out
of Mary's right eye and my father staring out of her left,
which would remind me of what an odd duck
I was as a child, a little prince and a loner,
who would break off from his gang of friends
on a Saturday and find a hedge to hide behind.*

It is a sweet poem, nostalgic in an odd, fantastical way. To me, the poem is as powerful as one of the classics from *Sailing Alone around the Room*, the collection CS students read over the summer. From "On Turning Ten,"

*This is the beginning of sadness, I say to myself,
as I walk through the universe in my sneakers,
It is time to say good-bye to my imaginary friends,
time to turn the first big number.*

*It seems only yesterday I used to believe
there was nothing under my skin but light.
If you cut me I would shine.
But now when I fall upon the sidewalks of life,
I skin my knees. I bleed.*

These are samples of how his poetry submerges the ordinary event (the death of our parents, a 10-year-old's birthday) in a sea of the universal. His poems are short but meaty, a joy to snack on before a full day of classes. They're accessible, which makes them even more of a delight to hear, and thankfully Billy Collins read "Only Child" and "On Turning Ten" during the public reading we hosted at St. Joseph's Chapel, the night after the presidential election. Christ School had over 400 requests for tickets – in just three weeks. Several requests included personal stories: "I was one of Billy Collins's students when he taught at Sarah Lawrence College" or "A good friend of mine, who is 99 this week, introduced me to Billy Collins years ago, and I would love to surprise her with tickets." In several stories I heard anxiety, as if this could be the last opportunity to hear their beloved poet, "the most popular poet in America."

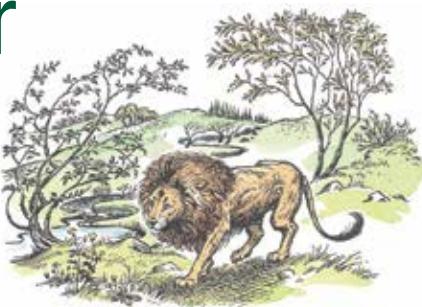
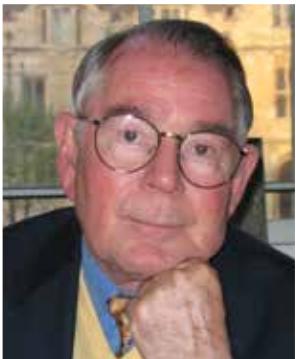
I had reserved the Fitzgerald Room at the Grove Park Inn for Mr. Collins, who had just come from a stay at one of Robert Frost's former residences, a fact he shared as I drove him to his first class at CS. His reading tour was shaping up quite nicely, he joked – an American literary tour. I reminded him about Charles Wright '53, one of Christ School's own and a former US Poet Laureate himself. The news didn't shock or awe, it just led to a conversation about a dinner he shared with Wright after an awards ceremony. Collins has been in the game a long time, and though he had the right to be haughty, maybe even a little arrogant, I found him to be delightful. He fielded the boys' questions with warmth and poise; he sat next to faculty at dinner and didn't hog the conversation; he engaged with, and signed books for, adoring fans. He was conscious of his stature and aware that he was a voice and ambassador for poetry. Perhaps he was still playing the role of the Poet Laureate – maybe once you've been tapped you never stop. Whatever the case, Billy Collins is a man whose fame is carried by his poetry, not by his numerous accolades. He is humble about and appreciative of the excitement he generates.

The afternoon before his reading, after the most contentious presidential election in US history had been decided, I asked him if he was going to address the elephant in the room. As the American poet, don't you have an obligation to say something – anything – to help the rest of us make sense of this election year? "Brent," he said, "I don't talk politics, I read poetry. That's the gift I have. That's why people are coming tonight. Before we begin, remind the audience that tonight is about the poetry, not the politics." So I did. And he was right, the night was a success because he stayed clear of politics and let his poetry remind us that language, at its best, brings grace and understanding into the world.

People have asked me why we still bring poets to visit. "Isn't poetry dead? Boys and poetry...doesn't seem like a good mix. Not much money in poetry, is there?" My first answer is cliché: You don't write to make money. But my second, I hope, is a little more convincing: People's attention spans are decreasing and poetry – good poetry – doesn't ask too much of you or your time. Everything we love about great literature can be preserved in poetry (it might be the genre that saves the English language, which has, let's be honest, taken a hit since social media took over our lives). Most importantly, boys enjoy writing it. Not every boy, no, but enough to convince me that if anything is dead, it's our expectations for the aptitude and interests of our young people. So we beat on, boats against the current, and offer our students the opportunity to express themselves poetically, to play with language, and to appreciate those poets who have gone before them and those who continue to pave the way.

Billy Collins is the fifth author we've hosted thanks to the Godwin-Hauser Writers' Series. We are indebted to acclaimed author Gail Godwin and Col. William Hauser '50 for their continued support, as well as to Paul Krieger and Christ School who helped make this visit possible. It is an invaluable experience for our students to have writers visit them during the year: to workshop, to read, and to inspire. I think, too, the boys enjoy watching their English teachers blush and stutter in the presence of authors whose work they've admired for years. They certainly saw a lot of that while Billy Collins was here. ■

A Conversation with C.S. Lewis Scholar Walter Hooper



Former Christ School teacher Walter Hooper is an author and the trustee of the literary estate of C.S. Lewis. He befriended Lewis in the '60s, became his secretary, and then edited some 20 to 30 of Lewis's works over a span of about 45 years. Hooper has lived in Oxford, England, since he began his work on Lewis.

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Hooper began by sharing his first impressions of Christ School.

I was twenty-nine in 1960 and my first impression of the school was entirely positive. The first person I met was "Mr. Dave" Harris – the headmaster. During our talk he suggested we have a "drink," and though he mentioned ice and water, before I could say I'd like some of both, he poured us a stiff glass each of plain bourbon. It was very clear he wanted his staff to avoid "fussiness" and drink their liquor straight.

Besides the beauty of Christ School, and the no-frills headmaster, I was deeply moved by the Chapel and all that happened there. It gives me a thrill even today to remember that on Sunday mornings the bells of the Chapel could be heard for miles over the countryside when the Blessed Sacrament was elevated by the priest, Father Webster – "Pop."

In 1963, Hooper's life took a dramatic turn when he met the writer C.S. Lewis. He describes the origin of their friendship.

Many of the students at Christ School that knew me best were aware that my greatest love was the writings of C.S. Lewis. I came to know about him my last term in Chapel Hill in 1953, and I read my first of his books – *Miracles* – during basic training at Fort Jackson, SC. I began corresponding with Lewis in 1954, and it continued at the University of Kentucky. As it turned out, I had just started writing a book about C.S. Lewis when Lewis said he'd be happy to see me if I visited Oxford.

In June 1963 I flew to England to see the author of *The Chronicles of Narnia* and so many other marvelous books. Lewis invited me to his home, The Kilns. I'd been warned that Lewis's home in Headington Quarry was very difficult to find, and that I should be sure I knew how to get to it before my appointment on Monday. So I went out and began searching for it on Friday afternoon, 7 June. No one could show me where he lived. Fortunately, someone directed me to the home of his housekeeper. She said he'd just returned from Cambridge – where Lewis was a professor – but that he was home now. "Don't waste a minute," she said, "go up and see him!"

And so I did, but the moment I rang the doorbell I wished a hole would open beneath my feet and swallow me. I was ashamed to be bothering this famous man. It was too late to flee – there was Lewis inviting me in. It was 4 o'clock – tea-time – and he'd just made a pot of tea. I loved tea, and had given hundreds of cups to my boys at Christ School. Lewis could not have been kinder, and soon we were on our second pot of tea – and then our third!

I'd never been in an English home, and I didn't know that in England the bathroom and the lavatory are separate rooms. Despite the wonderful conversation, I had in me about a dozen cups of tea.

Finally, I asked the professor if I could use the "bathroom." "Certainly," said Lewis, as he led me to what was in fact a bathroom – meaning the only thing it contained was a bathtub. Lewis laid out several towels for my use, and opened several packets of soap. "Do you think you'll have enough for your bath?" asked Lewis, "Oh, yes!" said I, wondering what on earth I was going to do.

Desperation forced me to go back to the sitting-room. "Actually," I said to Lewis, "it wasn't a bath I needed ..." Lewis was roaring with laughter, and said, "Now, that will cure you of those American euphemisms. Let's start over again. Where do you want to go?" And so I finally got to the lavatory.

I'm glad this happened, for it was a wonderful ice-breaker. Soon we were talking about everything. At about six, Lewis took me to the local pub and bus stop. After a pint together, I was about to get on the bus when I thanked Lewis for seeing me. "You're not getting away!" he said. "You're coming to the Inklings meeting on Monday."

The Inklings began with Lewis and JRR Tolkien meeting in 1929 in Lewis's Magdalen College rooms to read one another the things they were

writing. Eventually it included other friends, most of whom taught at Oxford. The Inklings also met on Tuesday morning in a pub for beer and a chat. After 1949 they stopped meeting in the evening, but the weekly morning meetings continued through Lewis's life.

Because Lewis had been returning to Cambridge on Monday afternoons after he became a professor there, the Inklings were meeting in the Lamb and Flag in St Giles' Street at 11 a.m. There were usually about eight Inklings there, and I've never witnessed such interesting and stimulating conversation. Although Lewis by no means did all the talking, or even much of it, he was to the group like Shakespeare's Falstaff, who was not only "witty in himself but the cause of wit in other men." Again, I feared this would be the last I'd see Lewis. But he surprised me by saying, "Come out to the Kilns on Wednesday." Then, on Wednesday, he urged me to come out on Sunday morning to go to church with him, and then come back to the Kilns for breakfast.

Lewis convinced Hooper to stay on as his personal secretary.

We continued meeting on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Sundays until I went out on Sunday, 14 July. I found Lewis unwell. He was going into the hospital the next morning for a blood transfusion, and he was getting things ready.

Almost every day, Lewis spent the first two hours of the day replying to letters. He believed that if you published books you had a responsibility to reply to the letters you received. He wrote with a dip pen, which you dip into an ink well, write about five or six words, then dip it again. Even if email had been invented at the time, Lewis would not have used it. He said he "whispered every word aloud" when writing, and the need to dip the pen in the ink provided "just the amount of time needed" to think what was to come next. But this was becoming difficult because he had rheumatism in his right hand, and writing was painful. Sometimes he had the help of his brother, Warnie, but he was an alcoholic and he was often in Ireland for months at a time.

Lewis then said, "Will you give up your job in the States and become my secretary?" I replied at once, "Yes." And so the biggest change in my life was settled in a few seconds.

With Lewis's death, Hooper began his "Work" in Oxford.

Jack – as he insisted I call him – was sure that upon his death his books would stop selling after about three years. "No!" I exclaimed. "What'd you mean, 'no?'" he said. "This happens," he said, "to nearly all authors. After they die their books sell for a while, and then trail off to nothing." "But not yours!" I said. "Why not?" he asked. "Because they are too good and people are not that stupid."

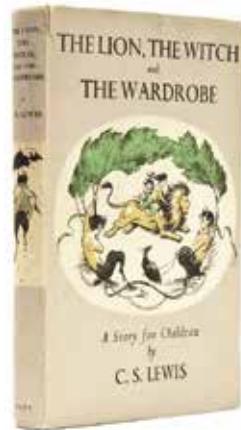
While I agreed to be Lewis's secretary on a permanent basis, I had to return to the United States to teach one final term, and resign my job at the University of Kentucky. Then, on 22 November 1963, President J.F. Kennedy was assassinated. Hours after learning of his death, I was told that C.S. Lewis had died the same hour. Even now, I can hardly bear to think about that terrible day.

Lewis had been the center of my life since I first came across his writings in 1953. And during the months we were together I had come to love him. Now everything seemed lost. However, as things settled down I received a letter from those friends of Lewis I had come to know best during the summer of 1963, Dr. Austin Farrer, the warden of Keble College, and his wife, Katharine. The Farrers felt there was "Work" for me to do in Oxford and they urged me to come back, staying with them in Keble College.

I took them at their word, and returned to Oxford in January 1964. But what was this "Work" I was needed for? I would soon find out.

When I was getting to know Jack Lewis, I asked what he did with his manuscripts and he told me that after writing a book, such as *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, he turned the manuscript over and wrote another book on the other side. He then threw the manuscript away. I did not need to express my horror, for he saw it in my face, and from that point on he began giving me the manuscripts of whatever he had published or was about to publish, the first of which was *Letters to Malcolm*.

When Warnie saw the delight I took in the notebooks and various papers he gave me, he was delighted that I cared so much for them ... and he invited me to become the editor of his brother's literary remains – thus setting the course of my life for the next fifty years. ■

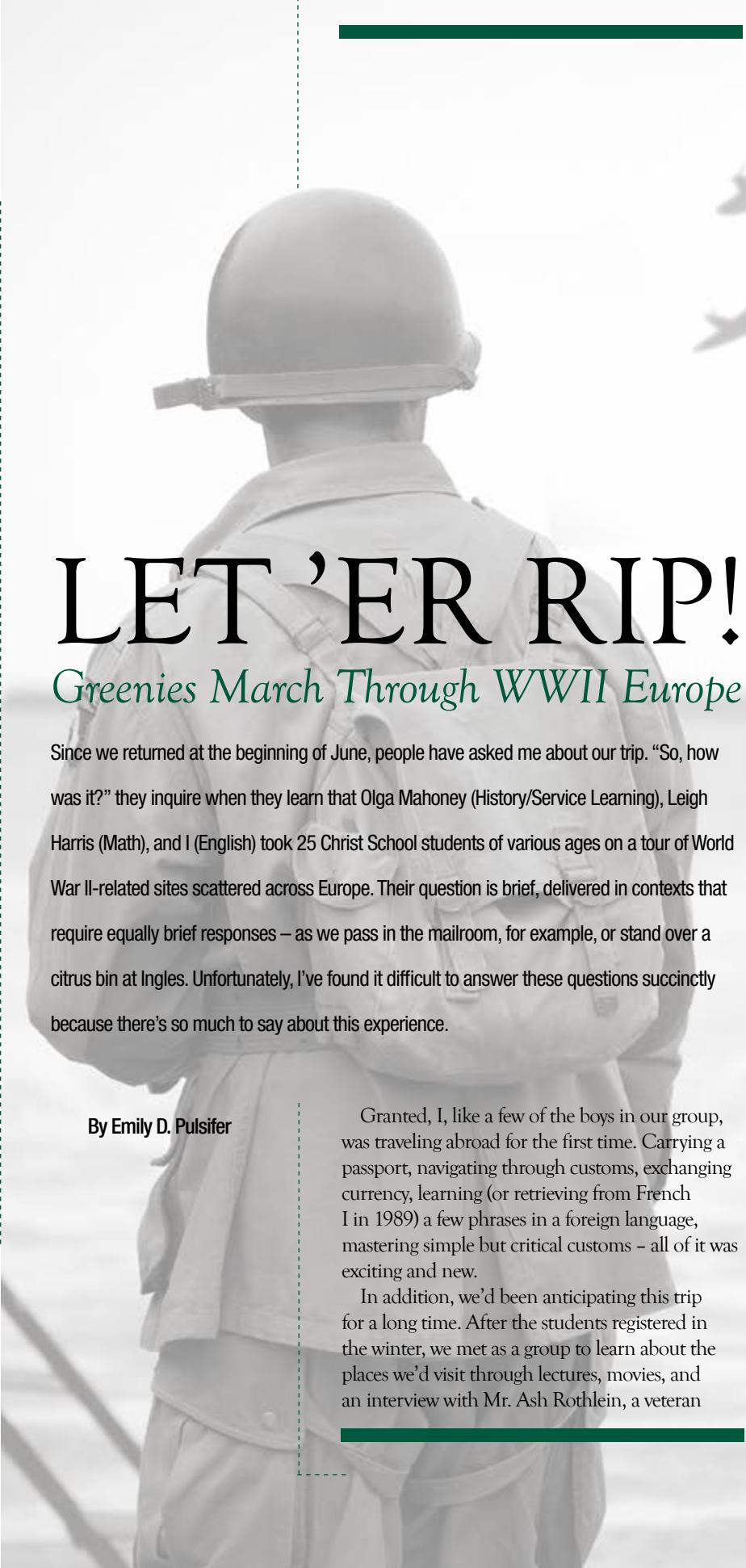


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C.S. Lewis and Walter Hooper in front of Lewis's house in Oxford, August 1963.



LET 'ER RIP!

Greenies March Through WWII Europe

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Since we returned at the beginning of June, people have asked me about our trip. "So, how was it?" they inquire when they learn that Olga Mahoney (History/Service Learning), Leigh Harris (Math), and I (English) took 25 Christ School students of various ages on a tour of World War II-related sites scattered across Europe. Their question is brief, delivered in contexts that require equally brief responses – as we pass in the mailroom, for example, or stand over a citrus bin at Ingles. Unfortunately, I've found it difficult to answer these questions succinctly because there's so much to say about this experience.

By Emily D. Pulsifer

Granted, I, like a few of the boys in our group, was traveling abroad for the first time. Carrying a passport, navigating through customs, exchanging currency, learning (or retrieving from French I in 1989) a few phrases in a foreign language, mastering simple but critical customs – all of it was exciting and new.

In addition, we'd been anticipating this trip for a long time. After the students registered in the winter, we met as a group to learn about the places we'd visit through lectures, movies, and an interview with Mr. Ash Rothlein, a veteran

who landed at Omaha Beach just three days after D-Day.

It was particularly moving to hear from Mr. Rothlein. While he offered a few details about his duties during the war, he was particularly keen to help us understand his determination to honor servicemen and women. In fact, he traced his drive to become an engineer and builder to the years immediately following the war when affordable housing for veterans was scarce. He also showed us pictures of the D-Day Memorial in Bedford, VA, which he spent years promoting before its dedication in 2004, and he explained the memorial's location: 23 young men from Bedford died during the Normandy Campaign in 1944, making the small town's loss the highest per capita in the nation. In pictures taken by the Homage Statue at the memorial, he pointed out his friend Lucille Hoback, the sister of two of those soldiers.

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After his prepared remarks, Olga asked Mr. Rothlein if we could do anything for him when we toured the Normandy American Cemetery. First, he grinned and suggested we tuck him into a suitcase (he has not returned to Europe since the end of the war). Then, he got serious. Yes, we could do something he's longed to do for years: We could honor his friend Lucille's brothers, Russell and Bedford, by placing flowers on their graves. Suddenly, our educational trip had a new, solemn purpose.

London

When we landed in London, our shepherd, Mark, an earnest Englishman from EF (Education First), met us at Heathrow and remained with us throughout the trip. Traveling anywhere with 29 people is challenging, but Mark managed to keep us moving, safe, and on time with his steady stream of instructions and prohibitions.

In London, we learned an important truth that would become more clear as we traveled: For the people of Europe, the events of WW II have not settled into some distant past. In the Imperial War Museum, for example, with its collection of artifacts and interactive exhibits about both World Wars, we craned our necks to see the top of a 12,600 lb. German V-2 ballistic missile (at 46 feet, it dominates the museum's lobby). Then, we went outside, walked 50 paces down the sidewalk, and gazed at an entire city block (now a park) destroyed by one of those bombs in 1941. More than 50

people died in that single bombing. The next day, we toured Churchill's War Rooms and imagined what it had been like for him and his cabinet to direct the military, sustain a government, and keep hope alive in that cramped, dark warren as the city shuddered above.

Other tour highlights in London included elegant Waterloo Station, Buckingham Palace, Prince James' Park, Centennial Bridge, the Tower, the London Eye, Picadilly Circus, and the dazzling street performers in Trafalgar Square.

Crossing the Channel

On our third day, we crossed the English Channel. From the top of our eight-deck ferry, we watched the dockyards of Portsmouth recede and, a few hours later, Caen, France, appear. It was impossible to ignore the disparity between the comfort of our 2016 crossing and the cold, wet experience of the British, Canadian, and American soldiers who traveled the same route in open Higgins boats before dawn on June 6, 1944.

Our day in Normandy began with time in the Mémorial de Caen, a museum which outlines the French experience during the wars. Then, with a fantastic local guide, we traveled to Point du Hoc. There, we peered over the 90-foot cliff that 225 Army Rangers scaled with a few ladders, but mostly digging into the rock and dirt with pocket knives, bayonets and fingernails to take Nazi guns nested at its top. We scrambled into partially destroyed German bunkers – links in Hitler's 1,670 mile “Atlantic Wall” – and found a plaque listing the Rangers who died in that assault. Normally chatty, we gazed silently at the Atlantic and skirted the huge, grassy craters left by Allies' bombs. When I passed Liam McCann '16 as he climbed from one of the more remote bunkers, he was pale. “Wow,” he said.

Omaha Beach

Liam's “Wow” captures how we felt as we stepped onto the sand of Omaha Beach. Our guide had reviewed details of Operation Overlord with us: the careful training and coordination of the attack; the anxious deliberations between Eisenhower and his team of American and British commanders as their precious window of opportunity arrived; the brutal weather in the first days of June; and Eisenhower's decisive instructions to “let 'er rip” in the early hours of June 6, 1944. We'd also seen pictures, documentaries, and the opening scenes

of “Saving Private Ryan.” We had lots of facts, but facts couldn't prepare us for the actual experience of standing on that beautiful, wide-open beach – and, for some of the boys, of wading into the waves – and imagining that terrifying, chaotic morning.

Our time at the Normandy American Cemetery was equally moving. We walked through that sea of marble markers – most crosses, but many with the Star of David for Jewish servicemen – without talking, pausing to read names and home states. We found the markers for Preston and Robert Niland, two of the four brothers whose story inspired “Saving Private Ryan”; then we worked our way to the grave of Thomas Dry Howie, a close friend of William Dodenhoff's '19 grandfather who was killed while attempting to liberate the small French town of Saint-Lô – and, we learned from a cemetery guide, the real man behind Tom Hank's character in Spielberg's film. We read the names of a father and son who died just hours apart during the campaign. Finally, we gathered at Bedford Hoback's grave and then at Raymond Hoback's name on the Tablets of the Missing. There, Julian Smith '16 and Finn Bridgeford '18 lay bouquets of red gerbera daisies and white lilies, and all of us said words of thanks for them and their sacrifice. Surrounded by the names and stories of these young soldiers – many of whom weren't much older than the boys in our group – we felt humbled, grateful, and immensely proud.

Paris

The rain started when we arrived in Paris and it continued, off and on, throughout our visit. Did it dampen our spirits (pardon the pun)? Not at all. If anything, the rain was a blessing because it scared the usual hoard of tourists from the streets and Metro. With Mark's able direction (and a few

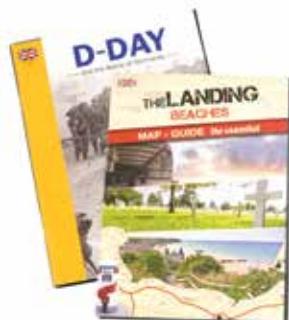


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Greenies visit Bastogne Military Barracks in Belgium.



Above: Normandy American Cemetery. **Below:** Greenies on Omaha Beach.

sharp rebukes from Parisians), we navigated to Notre Dame, Montmartre, the Louvre courtyard, Napoleon's magnificent Arc de Triomphe and Opera House, and the Galleries Lafayette, Paris's most decadent department store. We reached the Eiffel Tower as darkness and more rain fell, but that didn't detract from the joy of being there.

After two days in Paris, we drove by coach to Bastogne, Belgium. All of the emotion we'd felt in Normandy returned as we learned about the town's strategic role in the Battle of the Bulge and the siege of the village in December 1944. Our local guide, who was a child during the war, took us to the former American barracks (where Brigadier General McAuliffe dictated his famous "Nuts!" letter in response to a German invitation to surrender), a tremendous tank museum, and then to Bois Jacques. There, between rows of Douglas fir and surrounded by foxholes dug by Easy Company (made famous by Stephen Ambrose's *Band of Brothers*), our guide told us about the grim years when the Nazi SS occupied his family's farm and their joy when the Americans arrived. Hearing from him and then visiting the cemetery in Neupre where 5,323 Americans are buried, it was easy to understand why so many American flags fly over Belgium.

Berlin

The Berlin chapter of our trip looms large, partly because we were nearing the end of our trip, but also because the scars of WW II and the subsequent division of the city are still so apparent. In fact, our conversations during our time there often turned to the way the city seems determined to keep the war – and the conditions and personalities that engendered the war – close to the surface. Our tour guide

brought us to the Soviet war memorial in Treptower Park to highlight the impact of both world wars on the Russian people, and note the Soviet emphasis on national rather than individual sacrifice. Then, we walked past the East Side Gallery, a vibrant, edgy collection of street art created on a 1.3 km remnant of the Berlin Wall. Across from the Reichstag, we visited a memorial to the Sinti and Roma (gypsy) peoples targeted by the Nazis, before passing through the Brandenberg Gate on our way to the vast, undulating Holocaust memorial. Near Checkpoint Charlie, a recreation of the most frequently used gate between East and West Berlin, we toured "The Wall," a giant panorama painted by Yadegar Asisi to show a common, mid-1980s view over the Wall. In the Topography of Terror Museum located on the site of the SS and Reich headquarters, we tracked the development of those centralized institutions of Nazi persecution to exterminate all groups deemed offensive or threatening.

Back Home

If you've read this piece from start to finish, you understand why I hesitate when asked about our trip. We returned to the states with many, many stories to share – certainly too many to relate in a chance meeting (or even a lengthy *Galax* article). When I sent out a survey after our return, I received all kinds of responses to questions about the boys' most memorable moments and the stories they will carry from the trip. It was fun to read the array of memories and reactions from them. There were, however, two unifying themes. First, the boys were tremendously grateful for the trip and for Olga Mahoney's leadership (Leigh and I felt the same way). And second, the trip, as Wes Reinhardt '16 put it, "changed us." Today, each of us has a new perspective on global conflict, the immediate and long-term impact of war, cultural differences, the definition of sacrifice, and the resilience of humanity. We've learned so much, but also generated a whole new batch of questions along the way.

So, how was our trip? Astonishing. ■



ICELAND

Land of Fire and Ice

Iceland became a reality over the summer for six students and two chaperones as they descended upon the “Land of Fire and Ice” for a seven-day sweep of the south coast.

A nation not much bigger than the state of Indiana, Iceland and its 330,000 residents did not disappoint! Immediately upon landing, we enjoyed a three-hour soak in The Blue Lagoon and then promptly boarded our “Mountain Bus,” bound for waterfalls and black sand beaches.

With two-thirds of Iceland’s population living in Reykjavik, it became obvious that tourists far outnumber the locals as we left the city’s limits. With so much to see and so little time to see it, our group was well cared for by our tour guide, Helga, and our trusty bus driver, Saevar. Coordinating all of our logistics

through the touring group Explorica took the stress off of us and allowed us to sit back, relax, and enjoy the beautiful countryside.

Joined by 12 students and teachers from the geology department at New Mexico’s San Juan College, Christ School embarked on a historical, cultural, and ecological tour that would cover over 1,000 miles. Whether walking, biking, hiking, or duck touring, we got to see and experience the scenery, savor the local cuisine, and learn about Iceland’s volcanic and tectonic activity. Highlights included a guided glacier hike in Vatnajokulspjodgardur National Park and getting up-close and personal with icebergs (and seals) in the Jokulsarlon Glacier Lagoon.

Many thanks go out to the students and families who made this trip possible. ■

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By Marcel Duhaime

The Iceland group sits upon the stone monoliths at The Black Sands Beaches near Vik, Iceland.

Drama and Comedy



Christ School Thespians Show Their Dramatic Range in Two One Acts

For the first time, a local playwright created a new play for our boys to produce. Travis Lowe, a local performer and writer, created a one act called *Green*, set in a sci-fi dystopian world where its citizens are given a treatment that stops their bodies from aging at young adulthood. This unique opportunity allowed students to work with a playwright and be the first to bring life to a brand new play. The strong ensemble cast included Preston Coleman '17 as Alvie, Townshend Budd '18 as Collin, Daniel Beale '17 as Herve, and Matt Jackson '17 as Buck.

A second one-act, a cutting of the comedy *Greater Tuna*, was also produced. The play tells the story of the narrow-minded citizens of the small town of Tuna, TX. Although originally written for only two actors who play the 20 characters in the town, our version featured seven boys playing such diverse roles as a dog-poisoning old woman, Didi Snavely of Didi Used Weapons, and the town drunk who sees UFOs. This classic comedy showed off the

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Above: The quirky townspeople of Tuna, TX. **Right:** Townshend Budd '18, Daniel Beale '17, Preston Coleman '17, and Matt Jackson '17 perform in *Green*.



talents of student actors Preston Coleman as Arles Struvie and Charlene Bumiller; Wilton Graves '21 as Thurston Wheelis, Chad Hartford, and Sheriff Givens; Trevor Youtz '18 as Didi Snavely and the Rev. Spikes; Clarke MacDonald '21 as Petery Fisk and Vera Carp; Drake Oliver '19 as Harold Dean Lattimore, Jodi Bumiller, R.R. Snavely, and the funeral singer; Matt Jackson as Bertha (and Hank) Bumiller; Townshend Budd as Stanley Bumiller; and Daniel Beale as Pearl Burras. Technician Joe deLoach '18 ran sound for both shows.

At the NCTC One Act High School One Act Festival, *Greater Tuna* earned a Superior rating and won an Excellence in Comedic Timing Award. *Green* earned an Excellent rating and won an Excellence in Set Design for student technician Coleman Davis. *The Evening of One Acts* (performed in Pingree Auditorium, October 21-23) was directed by Mary Dillon with technical direction by Sarah Baldwin. ■

Below: Radio show hosts Preston Coleman '17 and Wilton Graves '21 in *Tuna*.



Greenies Earn President's Volunteer Service Award

Christ School is proud to recognize Ashton Beaver '19, Connor Booher '20, Coleman Davis '18, Ethan Dishner '18, Weller Kreimer '19, and Thomas May '19, six outstanding young men who have earned the President's Volunteer Service Award through acts of service over the last year. The President's Volunteer Service Award, the premier volunteer awards program, encourages citizens to live a life of service through presidential gratitude and national recognition.

Ashton Beaver of Jacksonville, FL, earned a gold medal in the teens division by completing more than 105 hours of service over the last year. He participated in the Nicaragua service trip last March and participated in two Eagle Scout projects, including his own, which focused on renovating a pew support system in a chapel.

Connor Booher of Fairview, NC, earned a gold medal in the teens division by completing more than 120 hours of service with a variety of organizations in greater Asheville: Eblen Charities, Windy Gap Family Camp, and the Father-Son Program at Camp Rockmont. At Christ School, Connor volunteers with Asheville Greenworks, ABCCM Veterans Restoration Quarters, and MANNA Foodbank.

Coleman Davis of Swan Quarter, NC, completed 226 hours of service, earning a silver medal for the young adult age group. Coleman has dedicated his time to a number of programs, most notably working to earn his Eagle Scout Award over the last year. Coleman works as a volunteer with the Hyde County Emergency Medical Services and with the National Wildlife Refuge on several projects, including a study on Bell Island, NC, that focuses on brackish marsh vegetation.

Ethan Dishner of Winston-Salem, NC, completed 135 hours of service, earning a bronze medal for the young adult age group. Ethan spent much of his time volunteering in his church over the summer, and also worked with several Christ School programs such as Pop Warner Football and Habitat for Humanity.

Weller Kreimer of Greensboro, NC, completed 103 hours of service over the last year, earning a gold medal for the teens division. Weller participated in a variety of on-campus service opportunities, from volunteering for Parents' Weekend to helping with admission tours. This past summer Weller earned 50 service hours on a mission trip to New Orleans with his church.

Thomas May of Asheville, NC, earned a gold medal in the teens division by completing more than 127 hours of service through his work with the Student Conservation Association last summer. Thomas spent almost a month working in the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park as part of a volunteer youth conservation crew. ■

By Isaac Rankin



Coleman Davis '18, Weller Kreimer '19, Ethan Dishner '18



Connor Booher '20, Ashton Beaver '19, Thomas May '19



Wade Mouer '17 and Zach Pulsifer '17 Named National Merit Semifinalists



Christ School Greenies Wade Mouer '17 and Zach Pulsifer '17 have been named semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program. They earned this designation by scoring in the top 1 percent of the 1.6 million juniors nationwide who took the 2015 PSAT. They are now eligible to continue in the competition for scholarships and designation as National Merit Scholars.

Wade is a captain of the varsity soccer team, an AP Scholar with Distinction, and a member of the National Honor Society. He serves as an Honor Council Representative and a Day Student Proctor. During his time here, he has participated in the Physics Club and Quiz Bowl. Every summer since his 8th grade arrival, Wade has given back to Christ School by working 35 hours a week with Christ School's Maintenance Crew. He has been on the High Honor Roll every term and has taken 11 AP classes. Last year, Wade won the Physics Award, the Yale Club Award, and the Spanish Award. He has also been a valuable member of the varsity soccer team. Last year, he started every game

and the team won the conference championship.

Zach is an AP Scholar with Distinction and a member of the National Honor Society. He serves as an Honor Council Representative, the Job Prefect, and co-president of the Rotary Club. Last summer, Zach interned at Dartmouth Medical School in New Hampshire, where he spent five weeks working in a lab, performing biochemical research, and investigating the purpose of the protein FMNL3. Since 2014, Zach has given back to Christ School by working 40 hours a week every summer with Christ School's Maintenance Crew. He has been on the High Honor Roll every term and has taken 13 AP classes. Zach won the Harvard Book Award last year and has won the Form Award for having the highest GPA in his class for two consecutive years. While at Christ School, Zach has participated in theater, Environmental Club, Film Club, *Stnian*, and Quiz Bowl. He has also been a valuable member of the varsity cross country, tennis, and swimming teams. ■

Pushups for Awareness

By Olga Mahoney



Spearheaded by Christ School's Rotary Interact Club, students participated in the 22 Pushup Challenge this fall. For 22 days, students gathered at Alumni Plaza to hear the Angelus Bell and then immediately drop to the ground for 22 pushups. This show of strength was an effort to build awareness of the fact that approximately 22 veterans commit suicide each day due to PTSD. The students who participated felt that gathering quietly during the Angelus forced them to think about this growing problem. The Rotary Interact Club focuses on hunger, housing, environment, refugee and veterans' issues. The club has 27 members. ■

Greenies drop and give 22 after the Angelus Bell tolls.

Disc Golfers Excel at Greenie Open

The Greenie Open launched this year's Asheville School Week. Participation in the annual, 18-and-under disc golf tournament increased by almost 50 percent since last year, with nearly 30 individuals on the competitor list. The increased interest in the competition stems from several factors. First, Christ School's 2015 Disc Golf Team won the WNC High School Disc Golf League. Consistent performances from key players such as Nick Dee '19 and Grant Robinson '16 earned the team the right to display the league's trophy in Mebane Fieldhouse. In addition to the acclaim earned last year, an appearance by Nate Sexton, a 12-year professional disc golfer, also drew participants to the competition. Currently fourth in the sport's world rankings, Sexton is renowned for a highly technical form of disc golf influenced by his time spent playing the challenging wooded courses of North Carolina. Sexton warmed up with our top three competitors (Carter Harvey '17, Hunter Embler '19, and Nick Dee) before signing posters, providing individual instruction, and impressing the crowd with precisely placed shots pushing 500'.

Due to the growth of the event, the tournament was split into three divisions: Recreational, Amateur, and Open. The amateur division was won by Max Masiello '20, who shot two under par from the CS White Tees, which was no small victory in wind that gusted over 20 mph. Nick Dee earned 5th place in the Open Division, without having played an entire 18-holes of disc golf since he competed on the team last spring. Christ School's top players, Carter Harvey and Hunter Embler, locked down second and third place, respectively. Carter managed to shoot under par for the event, throwing over par on two holes, but recovering with a string of birdies and an impressive eagle on the White Tee's Hole 3, a 320' uphill shot with a sharp dogleg right. Carter is the only student to eagle this difficult par 4 in an event on Christ School's course. As the round progressed, Carter continued to impress by hitting the basket from the Green Tee on Hole 7, nearly making a hole-in-one. He rounded out his day by winning the longest drive challenge, easily clearing the length of a soccer field – and each his competitor's drives. ■

By Chris Loan

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Professional disc golfer Nate Sexton leads a clinic before the Greenie Open.

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By Ron Ramsey



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Over the summer, the AP Language and Honors Environmental Science classes shared Wendell Berry's *Bringing It to the Table* as the inspiration for a year-long exploration of food and agriculture.

What began as a conversation about food and its origins turned into an odyssey of discovery. Mr. Kaneft's and my students started their journey at the Asheville City Farmer's Market one Saturday morning in September, where the boys were challenged to gather food and prepare a three-course meal from what they found at the market. The boys met growers and farmers from all over the region. They sampled local goat cheese and wood-fired artisanal breads. More importantly, they began collecting the stories of generations of people who have worked the land to join our local food movement. Soon word spread throughout the market about what the Christ School boys were doing, and everyone wanted to be a part of the initiative. One grower in particular, Darsey from Wildwood Herbal: Plants and Produce, took it upon herself to

point out other booths to visit and recommend different foods that would go well with the boys' plans for lunch. A gastronomical storyteller, she connected the boys to the land with every description and recipe. The conversations on the ride back to campus shifted away from typical teenage themes to talking instead about the people they had met and the food they had seen and tasted. They were being pulled back to an ancestral anchor that many of us have lost touch given our busy schedules and dependence on fast food. Back on campus, the boys got a crash-course on food preparation. They contacted family members to get advice about how to prepare spaghetti squash and the best way to season chicken. Most importantly, they shared time with one another - distraction free - and laughed and told stories. They created the family kitchen that many of us can remember, and populated it with their own experiences.

Since our local food experiment, members of these classes and other Christ School students have begun volunteering once a month at

Philip Hodges '18 and Jackson Zemp '18 discuss the local food movement with Darsey from Wildwood Herbal.



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Wildwood Herbal: Plants and Produce with Darsey and her partner Seth. There, they are helping plant next year's garlic, preparing microgreens for sale at Earth Fare, helping with greenhouse management, and cleaning produce for the farm's CSA that serves families throughout Buncombe County. As I reflect on my time farming in Tennessee and growing up around my great grandparents' garden and kitchen, I can't help but think how important food is in our lives – not just to nourish our bodies, but to connect with local growers and the greater community. I believe that we are bound to the earth, tied to place, and inextricably linked to one another. When we look across the table at those who have gathered with us, we are entering into one of the most important relationships as human beings, that of belonging. Let us not forget how significant a shared experience around food can be and the strength and power that grows from nourished minds and bodies. ■

"When my group and I started cooking lunch, we found it difficult to execute our plan...In the end we slightly burned the chicken, but we were very proud of it because we made it. Most of the time when we receive burnt food we don't necessarily want to eat it, but when we put in hard work and pride into something we made, it can be quite delicious."

– Aldo Mell '18

"Every vendor I walked up to was engaging and greeted me with a smile and conversation. I realized that this friendly and caring nature of the community must translate into the products they sell. When I purchased a Honey Crisp apple – the same type I eat at home – it was better than I remember. The apple was juicy, flavorful, crisp, and delicious."

– Alex Byron '18

"Despite our minimal knowledge for this type of cooking (not ramen), we were able to successfully prepare a beautiful meal with the help of the local growers. We had the idea of pasta, and they pointed out all the vendors at the market who would help us prepare a pasta feast. We bought the cheese from the man who pointed us to the vegetables, and the vegetable from the woman who pointed us to the bread. This is an example of how the local food growth is more of a passion-over-profit enterprise."

– James Turley '17

FOOD for Thought





NICKY ANIXTER '17

Each and every Greenie is distinctive and noteworthy, but here follows a continuation of our series profiling a few of the fine young men we get to teach, coach, mentor, and learn from each day.

For senior Nicky Anixter, going back to Vietnam (in 2012) was an important step in the process of clarifying his identity and his goals for the future. His story began in Minh Phu Vietnam – the province in which he was born and given his Vietnamese name, Ngyen Minh Phu – when a police officer found a newborn in a basket, covered by a farmer's hat. After Nicky grew stronger, the officer took him to a local orphanage. An American woman, Leslie Anixter, adopted him and brought him home to San Francisco. (He has an older brother who was also adopted in Vietnam.) The family moved to Asheville when Nicky was 5, and he came to CS in 9th grade.

That visit back to Vietnam was a way for Nicky to both complete the picture of his past and clarify his vision of his future. "Exploring the area I'm from played a role in beginning to understand myself," he says. "I don't think race dictates who I am; I think the decisions that I

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make throughout my life do that. But knowing that I come from [Vietnam], knowing that I have a second home, and knowing the opportunity that I was given, has become a driving force. Every day I wake up and try to be as grateful as I can for what I have been given. And then I always think that if I work hard, I can eventually give back to those people who gave to me."

With an inclination toward engineering, Nicky has blazed an impressive academic trail, taking numerous APs and earning one of the highest GPAs in the school. A versatile athlete, he tried out lacrosse his first year, has played soccer every year, and was a wrestler, earning All-Conference. After a series of concussions from the winter wrestling season during his junior year, Nicky discovered piano, and has been dedicated to mastering it since. "I always feel better leaving the piano than when I came onto it," he says. "For me, it's a form of emotional expression."

Nicky is hesitant to sit back and enjoy his success here: "I don't really see it as success; each time I achieve something, I'm taking one step towards my ultimate goal, and that goal is being able to give back, to be in a position where I can affect other people's lives. The fact that I'm doing well here, for me just shows that I can continue to make these steps forward."

And it all goes back to a police officer in Vietnam. "He was just an average guy, your average Joe, and it's nice to know that just an average person can have such a big effect on somebody else. Even if I'm just one person in a seven-billion-person world, it's not about changing the entire world, it's about changing one person's world." ■

With a prominent presence on YouTube and a popular USA Today blog, junior Damon Harge may be one of the best-known high school basketball players in the country. It's been that way since he was 11.

Harge, a point guard, helped Orlando Christian Prep in Florida win a state title as an eighth-grader. Originally from Oakland, CA, Damon came to Christ School when Athletic Director Scott Willard, whom Damon had met on the AAU basketball circuit, encouraged him to check us out. "I was looking for something more than I could build on for the future, and somewhere I could grow as a person and as a man," Damon says.

Damon is good friends with Cleveland Cavaliers star point guard Kyrie Irving, who has underscored for him the importance of patience and humility. Mindfulness of those virtues has served Damon well throughout his life. In the fourth grade, he was told by a coach that he was too small and would never make it. "My dad told me this, and it motivated me to always work hard, because people are always underestimating me," he says. His father decided to start his own team. With Damon at point guard, they beat that mistaken coach's team.

Damon attributes his tenacity and toughness to tagging along with his older brother, Deron. "My older brother used to take me everywhere. We would play pick-up ball with much older kids. I grew up playing football without pads, so I was always tough." Assistant varsity basketball coach Bobby Long, who's also Damon's advisor, says: "Often you hear coaches say, 'He's the first to show up and the last to leave,' but Damon really is that guy. He gets to the gym at 6 a.m. and stays



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late after practice to get shots up. He is a leader on and off the court."

The transition to boarding school did pose a challenge for Damon. "I was homesick," he recalls. "My dad told me it was going to be all right and to push through it." One thing that helped was bringing along one of his best friends and former teammates from Florida, Giir Ring '18, who's from Australia and is now Damon's roommate. The two share a love of basketball and humor. "We're very goofy and joke a lot. You could say we make joking a form of communication," says Damon. They spread their enthusiasm on and off the court. "When everybody is laughing, it takes their mind off what might have happened earlier in the day and brightens up their day." ■

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PHILIP HODGES '18

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Junior Philip Hedges joined Christ School his sophomore year. Although he grew up in Charlotte, he's also lived in Winston-Salem, Alabama, and, most recently, Kansas. After attending three high schools in one year, boarding at CS seemed like a good idea. When he visited the campus and learned about the outstanding lacrosse program and academics, he decided it was a good fit.

Philip is a self-professed "language guy." "I'm taking Arabic and Mandarin and I took Spanish at my old school. I want to travel when I get older and I want to be able to connect with people from different cultures."

Last year, Philip received the McWhorter Scholarship for Excellence in Writing, which includes a scholarship to attend the Duke Young Writers' Camp. While there, he took a journalism class called "Finding Your Voice," in which he was challenged to find a relevant issue, explore it, and write a story about it. He

chose climate change and met with Duke's sustainability department. "I asked them about what they are doing, how they are helping to reduce carbon emissions and become more green. They are incredibly ahead of the game. I made some connections, and it was a really cool experience." His article was published in the camp newspaper, *The Duke Voice*.

Philip's experience at Duke got him thinking about starting a sustainability initiative at CS. It all came together when he spent the summer in agriculture-rich Kansas and read a book titled *Bringing it to the Table: On Farming and Food* for Mr. Kanef's AP Language class. "It really sparked my interest because it's so prevalent and important. I'm looking to get an internship this summer at the Land Institute, an agriculture research center which is about 15 minutes from my house."

Working with the CS Environmental Club, Philip is planning to plant a garden outside his dorm, Gardner House, and is looking into renewable energy. "I would love to see our energy grid be transformed to more renewable and cleaner sources, because food and energy are two of the most problematic areas in terms of sustainability."

He's also helped introduce composting in the dining hall and is working to have it serve more local, organic food. "We live in such a great area for that. It's all around us here and we have access to everything we need. A lot of my peers don't look beneath the surface on that – it's easy to just grab your food and go. But if we did think about it, everybody would be so much healthier and we would be benefitting the local community. That would be the best." ■

Senior Will Iorio's parents' dream of retiring to Western North Carolina and his desire to attend a school with smaller classes came together when Will looked beyond the many New England independent schools near his Connecticut home and found Christ School. He did his research and grew interested in CS, but it was witnessing a rousing Friday Assembly that sealed the deal.

"When I saw that everyone was involved – both students and faculty made announcements – I knew that this sense of community was exactly what I was looking for." Will re-classed as a sophomore boarder in the fall; his parents moved to Weaverville the following year.

Initially, his goal was to devote all his time and energy to earning a college lacrosse scholarship. But after talking with varsity soccer coach Guy Campbell '00, Will decided to play soccer as well, which he believes is one of the best decisions he's ever made. "Coach Campbell is a fantastic coach; he really cares about his players and it shows in every day of practice, every game. It's really a family atmosphere. He brings his three young sons to every practice. Because he shares his life with us, it's hard not to buy in; he's re-instilled my love of soccer."

While Will has made a name for himself defending the goal in soccer – 15 career shutouts, team MVP in 2015 and All-State in 2016 – he finds himself on the other end of the field in lacrosse. "I play attack in lacrosse, which is basically the exact opposite of what I play in soccer." Yet he finds common threads in the two: "It's similar in the way that I have to be able to make decisions and communicate with the other attack men." Will also admits that "it was kind of my way to take revenge, I guess, because now I get



WILL IORIO '17

to score the goals instead of getting scored on. It's a very nice balance."

Will's father and uncle were Marine officers and his sister, Ashley, is a senior at the Naval Academy, and Will would like to pursue a military career as well. Although he first considered the Naval Academy, he now believes the Coast Guard is a better fit. "It's a life-saving service, and that appeals to me." He also hopes to continue to play Division III soccer and lacrosse.

Despite his mental toughness, Will is known for his laid-back attitude and his ready smile. "I'm extremely blessed in the life that I live," he says. "I have great friends, I'm fortunate to go here, and so I guess you can do nothing but smile." ■

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ASHEVILLE SCHOOL WEEK

This year's Asheville School Week was marked by both old and new traditions. Once again, the students beat the faculty in the second annual Student-Faculty Basketball Game. A talent show replaced skit night on Wednesday evening, followed on Thursday by a bonfire and fireworks. After Friday afternoon and Saturday morning parent-teacher conferences, the Parent Council set up a bountiful buffet spread under a tent on the new Alumni Plaza. Warm Greenie hospitality extended to the weather, which included record-breaking heat. Sunshine and fall foliage made a beautiful backdrop for yet another victory over the Blues.

ASHVILLE SCHOOL WEEK



Top: Greenies huddle before The Game.

Middle: A young Greenie Girl and Greenie Moms Amanda Graves P'21 and Kelly McDill P'16, P'18 cheer from the sidelines; Katrina Holley P'17 celebrates with son Sage after the game.

Bottom: Tailgaters revel while the football team warms up.



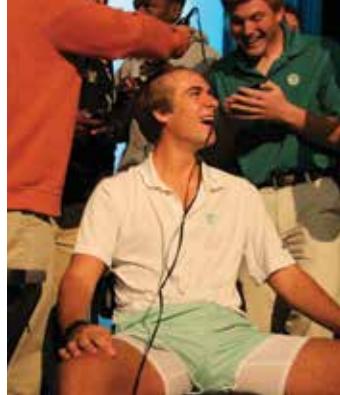


Top: Head varsity football coach, Mark Moroz, rallies the team at the Thursday night bonfire.

Right: Asheville School Week highlights include: The Homecoming Dance, Halloween costumes, and the Student-Faculty Basketball game.

Middle: Seniors start the week off with a rowdy Monday assembly.

Bottom: Senior Michael Reynolds leads the Greenie cheering section onto the field.



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THE GAME

On Saturday, October 29, 2016, Christ School won its seventh straight game of the season, beating Asheville School, 47-16. This was the 90th game of a rivalry that dates back to 1911. Although the overall series leans in Asheville School's favor, Christ School holds a 24-19-2 edge since 1971 in the fight for the Fayssoux-Arbogast Trophy, and has won The Game five times in a row.



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Coaches:

Mark Moroz, Head Coach
 Kyle Fraser
 Eric Gorsline
 Travis Harris
 Brent Kanef
 Nick Luhm
 Andy McMillan '12
 Benjie Shuler
 Heath Shuler P'20

Captains:

Drew Johnson '17
 Sage Holley '17
 Tyler Redmond '17

MVP: Drew Johnson '17

MIP: Keyvaun Cobb '18

Courage Award:

Seth Griswold '18

Top Lineman: Banks Campbell '17

All-State:

Drew Johnson '17
 Seth Griswold '18
 Banks Campbell '17
 Keyvaun Cobb '18
 Jared Letman-Gash '17

**VARSITY
FOOTBALL**

Another Great Season

The Christ School football team finished the season with a 10-2 record, tying for the second most wins in school history. While we lost in the State Championship game to a very talented High Point Christian Academy team, the varsity program continues to make steady improvements.

Highlights included defeating Robbinsville, a game that was locally televised as the “MY40 Game of the Week”; beating Asheville School; and defeating the defending state champions, Ravenscroft, to advance to the state title game. Senior quarterback Drew Johnson led our offense with 2,630 yards passing and 33 TDs. Keyvaun Cobb '18 was our leading receiver, with 60 catches for 732 yards and 10 TDs. And Seth Griswold '18 was our top tackler, with 118, followed by Carson Jones '18 with 95 and Sage Holley '17 with 80. ■



Top: The Atkins High School defense is no match for Captain Sage Holley '17. **Middle:** A well-deserved break for linemen Banks Campbell '17 and Seth Griswold '18. **Bottom:** Landon Cooke '18 topples Statesville Christian Academy's quarterback.



Demonstrating Vigor

Strong senior captains Morgan MacDonald and Vance Stiles, along with seniors Zach Pulsifer, Siler Sloan, and Henry Hawthorne, led the 2016 Cross Country Team. The season opened with a senior-only meet in Hendersonville, followed by the Eye Opener Invitational in Spartanburg for the full squad. The mission for the season was to get the Greenies into higher-quality meets, and the team met that challenge with vigor.

An early highlight was at the Hare and Hound Invitational in Charlotte where, nine of the 12 boys set all-time bests for the 5k XC distance. As the season progressed, a group of underclassmen climbed into the top ten. Leading this promising group was Juan Mantilla '19, Hank Van Ness '20, Logan Easler '19, and Doug Bland '19. The team finished 6th at the Buncombe County Championships, 2nd at the CAA Championships, and 11th at the NCISAA 3A State XC Championships.

Morgan MacDonald led the Greenies in the conference and state championship meets. In the season's first race, Morgan ran a respectable

19:58; nine weeks later, he flew to a 17:38 finish at the state meet. This performance in late October, along with his consistent effort and strong finishes throughout the season, earned him the Most Valuable Runner Award.

While many runners improved during the season, it was clear that Hank Van Ness and Logan Easler were the team's Most Improved Runners. Hank set six personal bests (dropping time in every meet), and finished the state meet with a 19:08 (4th for the team), more than four minutes faster than his first race. Making a late charge in the season was Logan Easler. Logan started the year at 23:45 and finished the season as the Greenies' 5th runner with a 19:25 at the state meet.

Thanks to many dedicated runners and a pack of committed, positive coaches, the season was a huge success. With underclassmen primed for speed and enthused about our prospects, the future of the Greenie Cross Country Program is bright. ■

Top: Comfortable on his home course, Morgan MacDonald '17 cruises to the 5K finish line. **Inset:** Coach Pulsifer P'15, P'17 cheers – and watches her watch – during the season's home meet.

UNDER THE LIGHTS

CROSS COUNTRY

Coaches:

Randy Ashley, Head Coach
Matt Chisholm
Emily Pulsifer P'15, P'17
Casey Zager

Captains:

Morgan MacDonald '17
Vance Stiles '17

Most Improved Runners:

Logan Easler '19
Hank Van Ness '20

Most Valuable Runner:

Morgan MacDonald '17



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Determined, Competitive, Tireless

The varsity team, captained by seniors Wade Mouer, Will Iorio, Riley Smith and junior John Beard, started slow out of the gate, but came on strong after a decisive conference win against rival Rabun Gap. The first true test of the season came at the Ravenscroft Tournament in early September, when the team beat the would-be state champions, 2-1, and Cary Academy, 3-0, only to fall to Coastal Christian in the championship game, 2-1. That strong performance gave the team the confidence to believe, not only in themselves individually, but also collectively as a team. In the end, the team went on a six-game winning streak before securing its second straight CAA Championship, its third in seven years, and again earning a top-4 seed in the state tournament — and a chance to

host a playoff game. The team went 14-6 overall and 7-1 in the CAA.

Perhaps the most significant statistic this year was our 10-2 regular season record against 3A State opponents. The 3A private school league is as strong as any league in North Carolina. Unfortunately, penalty kicks decided the team's loss to the eventual state champions, North Raleigh Christian, but the season was far too successful to be remembered for that defeat alone. With highlight victories against Charlotte Christian, North Raleigh Christian, Charlotte Country Day, Asheville Christian Academy, and Asheville High, there were plenty of great performances this year. Our program's level of play and competitiveness throughout the season was tremendous.



Riley Smith '17 lines up one of many goals.



Our senior class of Mouer, Smith, Iorio, Nicky Anixter, Thomas Hoefer, and Jerry Zhang did a great job of setting an example with their tireless work ethic and determination. Mouer, a four-year Varsity player and the CAA Player of the Year, set the tone early by selflessly moving back to centerback after Thomas May '19 and Thomas Hoefer went down with injuries. Will Iorio will be remembered as the program's greatest player at his position, which says a lot considering the talent we have had in the goal. The offense was paced all year by Riley Smith, another four-year varsity player. Riley finished his Christ School career with 30 goals and 22 assists, making him tied for third in points during Coach Campbell's seven-year tenure. ■



Top: Flanked by defenders Wade Mouer '17, Connor Hall '20, and Patrick Rubsamen '18, Will Iorio '17 leaps to yet another save. **Bottom:** Hunter Vines '17 enjoys a break on the sidelines.

Coaches:

Guy Campbell '00, Head Coach
Benjie Colberg
Jorge Redmond

Captains:

Will Iorio '17
Wade Mouer '17
Riley Smith '17
John Beard '18

All-CAA:

Will Iorio '17
Wade Mouer '17
Riley Smith '17
Jackson Hipp '18
Hunter Vines '18

All-State:

Will Iorio '17
Wade Mouer '17
Riley Smith '17

Most Improved Player:

Jackson Hipp '18

Most Valuable Player:

Wade Mouer '17
Riley Smith '17

Managers:

Joey Cinque '17
Jonah Roberts '17
James Wilde '17



BEYOND THE GATE HOUSE

FROM THE ADVANCEMENT OFFICE



CHRIST SCHOOL

It is difficult to believe another year has passed and it's time to report on our advancement progress for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2016.

This year's report departs from the perfunctory – and dated – format of lists-and-lists of donors. Given the way information lives on long after being printed and in any number of formats, we follow the lead of other institutions by acknowledging our donors more discreetly, and by attempting to offer more information on the impact of the support we receive. Thus, this Impact Report is intended to be visually interesting and informative.

The 2015-16 fiscal year was a year filled with good news for Christ School. Highlights and observations along the way include:

- Drawing Strength from Within – the Campaign for Christ School, now in its third year of a five-year effort, is more than 83 percent to goal. Currently our complete attention is on fully funding the new athletic center, slated to be the largest capital project in Christ School history. Additionally, as with all good schools, the needs exceed the Campaign goal and so our active Campaign efforts will extend past meeting the goal and through November 2018. Likewise, ample opportunities to be a part of the Campaign exist, and at varying levels of support.
- The 2016 Auction and Gala – Seeds of Success – netted slightly more than \$300,000, making it the school's most successful auction on record. The project – a new student wellness center – is underway and is expected to be completed in time for the new school year, August 2017.
- The Annual Loyalty Fund continued on its trend of outperforming the previous year, with contributions reaching \$772,000, this in the midst of a Capital Campaign. (Note that, new for this year, it is now possible to designate within the Annual Fund a giving interest, which allows each donor more influence in support of giving interests.)

There is much more to report and that information is presented in the pages that follow. On a personal note, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve Christ School at such a point in its history. In exchange for your generosity, we look to properly steward each and every dollar of support; we take nothing for granted.

I close with this observation. At the funeral of an alumnus and while waiting for the service to begin, I was struck by the words that appeared in the program: "Sam cherished his time at Christ School and felt that all he learned helped make him the man he was."

This work is rich in so many ways, as I was reminded by the above words, and by countless examples throughout the year. Yet, I hope those words also serve as a reminder to you what we are in the midst of – 292 boys currently being shaped with the likelihood that each, in time, will cherish his time here and realize Christ School's influence on the man he's become.

Thank you for the many, many ways in which you give in support of our school.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denis M. Stokes".

Denis M. Stokes P'12
Director of External Affairs

1900

Christ School founded

292

Enrollment

15

Number of states represented

II

Number of countries represented

9%

Students of color

40%

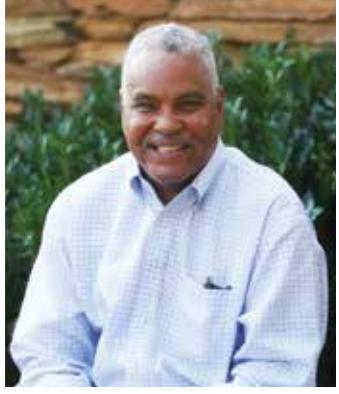
Students receiving grant or scholarship assistance

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Number of AP courses offered

8.5%

International students



with Bert Scott P '08

Father, Former Board Member, and New Chairman of the Board of Trustees Bert Scott P '08 Discusses How Christ School Continues to Change and Improve

Bert Scott, a sports enthusiast and father of five – Sean '08, Jennifer, Eric, Shannon, and Casey – is excited about bringing his experience as a businessman, as well as his familiarity with Christ School over the last ten years, to his new role as Trustee Board Chair.

A Chicago native, Scott has spent most of his professional life in the insurance industry. He started his career with Prudential, and has been fortunate to experience many different roles, including human resources, claims operations, and the employee benefits business, which is where he feels his career took off. “I came in during the early days of managed care – what we would call an HMO. Prudential was at the forefront of that. I was fortunate to recognize that that was the future of the business, and ran many HMOs across the country.” He left to become the CEO of a small healthcare company in New Jersey. After six years, he left that business, joining TIAA to lead its life insurance company, becoming their number-two executive. With passage of the Affordable Care Act, he returned to healthcare on the insurance side. He was president of CIGNA’s US business for two years, then became CEO of another health plan in New York City. He then semi-retired to be back in Charlotte with his youngest son, 11-year-old Casey. He now works for Charlotte-based Novant Health, helping it transition to a new business model.

How did you find Christ School?

Through Sean. He had lost his mother, and the headmaster of his school in Charlotte, Providence Day, suggested Christ School. He knew that Sean was smart and capable, but needed a different environment to thrive, and Christ School was that place. We came to visit, and the rest, as they say, is history.

How have you seen Christ School grow and change since Sean attended?

Sean arrived in 2005 and graduated in 2008. I’m not sure I can chronicle all the ways it has changed, but I would say that, first of all, it has grown. There are probably 115 more boys here than when Sean started. The facilities have been upgraded pretty

dramatically. The academics, which have been on the rise since Paul Krieger arrived, continue to improve and I think the quality of the student has been enhanced over that period.

What do you think you bring to the table as Chairman of the Board?

I bring my business experience and my experience as a parent. When you become a chair, you have to appreciate all that this place does: the faculty, the staff, the alumni. The big shift for me is fully understanding the views and opinions of those who attended CS and those who have an enormous love and affection for this place. We need to make changes to modernize the school, but not so much that we lose what characterizes this place.

What changes do you envision over the next five years?

There is always going to be the need to continue to upgrade the facilities. We are now a school of close to 300 boys, so making sure we have room to accommodate them is important. The new Stoltz Hall dining hall is a great example, which can now seat the entire Christ School community. We need to do the same with the athletic facilities. The other thing that I’m committed to is making sure that we remain affordable and making sure that we have an endowment to allow for scholarships and other programs. We need to make sure that our programs are up-to-date, that they meet the academic rigor that they should, that we are adjusting to the new student, and, finally, that we are addressing the issues of social media and its impact on life on and off campus.

I think we will try to look forward in academic programs for students. I think that because there is great richness in diversity, that our student body will continue to reflect that. My hope is that we will continue to grow in our national reputation, that we will be known as a great place to grow boys into young men who are responsible citizens.

The best advocates for this place are the boys. The second best advocates are the faculty and staff who enhance their experience. People are the primary thing, facilities are the next thing, because people want to come to a place where they can look around and say, “I can see my son here.” ■

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 Mrs. Michelle Ulmer-Parker P'19
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 Mr. Giles E. M. Plyler '14
 Mr. James G. Poole III P'17
 Ms. Sarah Poole P'17
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For every one dollar of support given to the Annual Loyalty Fund, the impact is as if we had an additional \$25 in endowment.

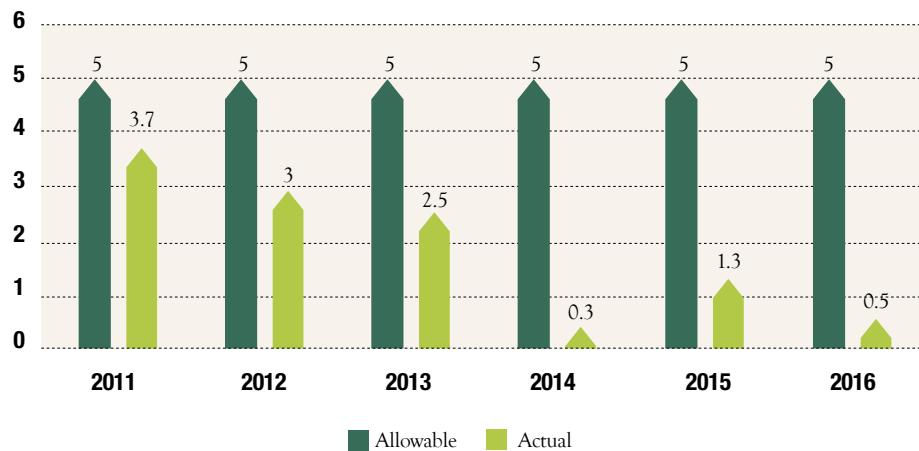
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\$772,000 Annual Fund is equal to \$19,300,000 in endowment

Impact Fact

ENDOWMENT DRAW

Show as a Percentage of Endowment



Impact Report

Endowment Draw – colleges, universities, and prep schools often talk about their endowments and endowment draws. An endowment draw is an amount taken, based on investment returns and portfolio growth over time, and when taken is added to support the institution's operational budget. Most institutions commonly take an endowment draw of 5 percent of the overall endowment, typically derived from a rolling average of the past two or three years.

Christ School follows a similar practice and our Finance Committee, along with Board approval, recommends drawing on our endowment somewhere between four and 5 percent annually. With the health of enrollment and on account of the annual fund's growth, we have been able to more modestly draw on our endowment. In effect, a smaller annual draw allows the school's endowment growth to compound at a more rapid pace.

The chart above shows the endowment draw the school could have taken – based on practice and policy – and, correspondingly, shows the actual percentage taken.

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TSC Foundation
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Mr. Yichen Yuan '16
Mr. Casey Zager
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Mr. and Mrs. Wei Zhou P'19
Mr. and Ms. Yiqun Zhou P'19
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Mr. Ryan J. Zwier '16



Graduates who are college/
university bound

100%

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Legacies are currently enrolled



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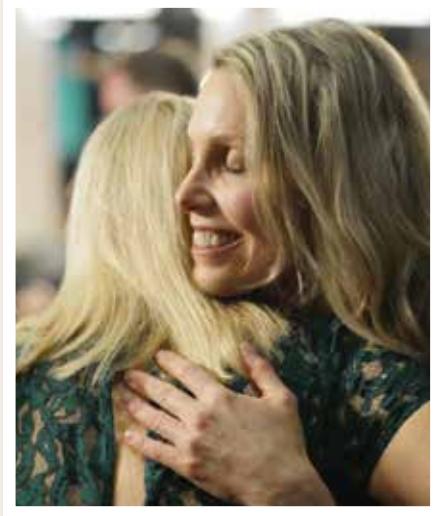
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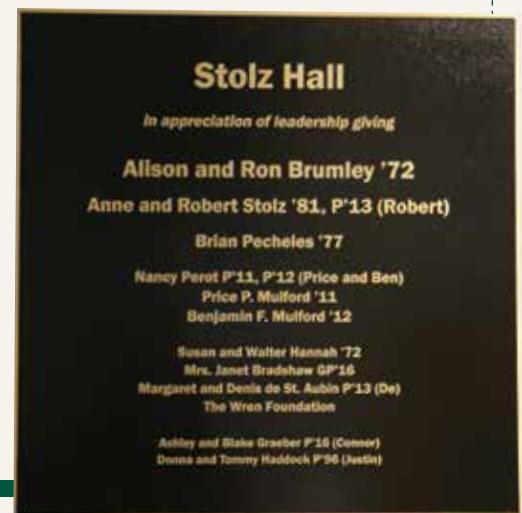
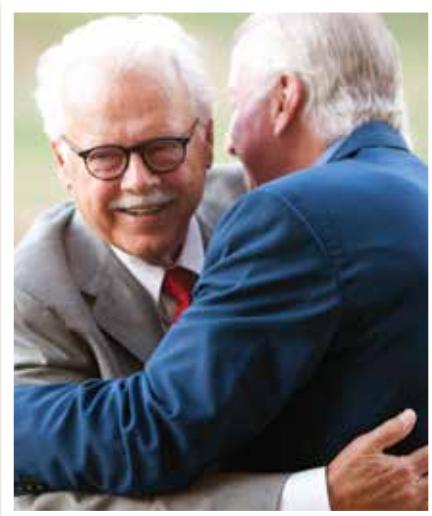
Christ School's Stolz Hall, the new dining hall, was the site for this year's Angelus Dinner, held Saturday, October 29. Typically held off campus at Biltmore Estate's Lioncrest, this year's annual occasion to thank our benefactors was time to celebrate and formally dedicate the new building. The Angelus Dinner was a perfect ending to an incredible day – an amazing tailgate provided by the Parents Council, a big win over Asheville School, and the warmest weather on record for the end of October.

With more than 240 guests, Stolz Hall provided the perfect venue in which to thank our most generous supporters. Angelus donors made gifts to the annual fund and/or to capital projects of \$1,500 or more in the preceding fiscal year. Without the support of our Angelus Society members, many of the projects we are now enjoying would not have been possible.

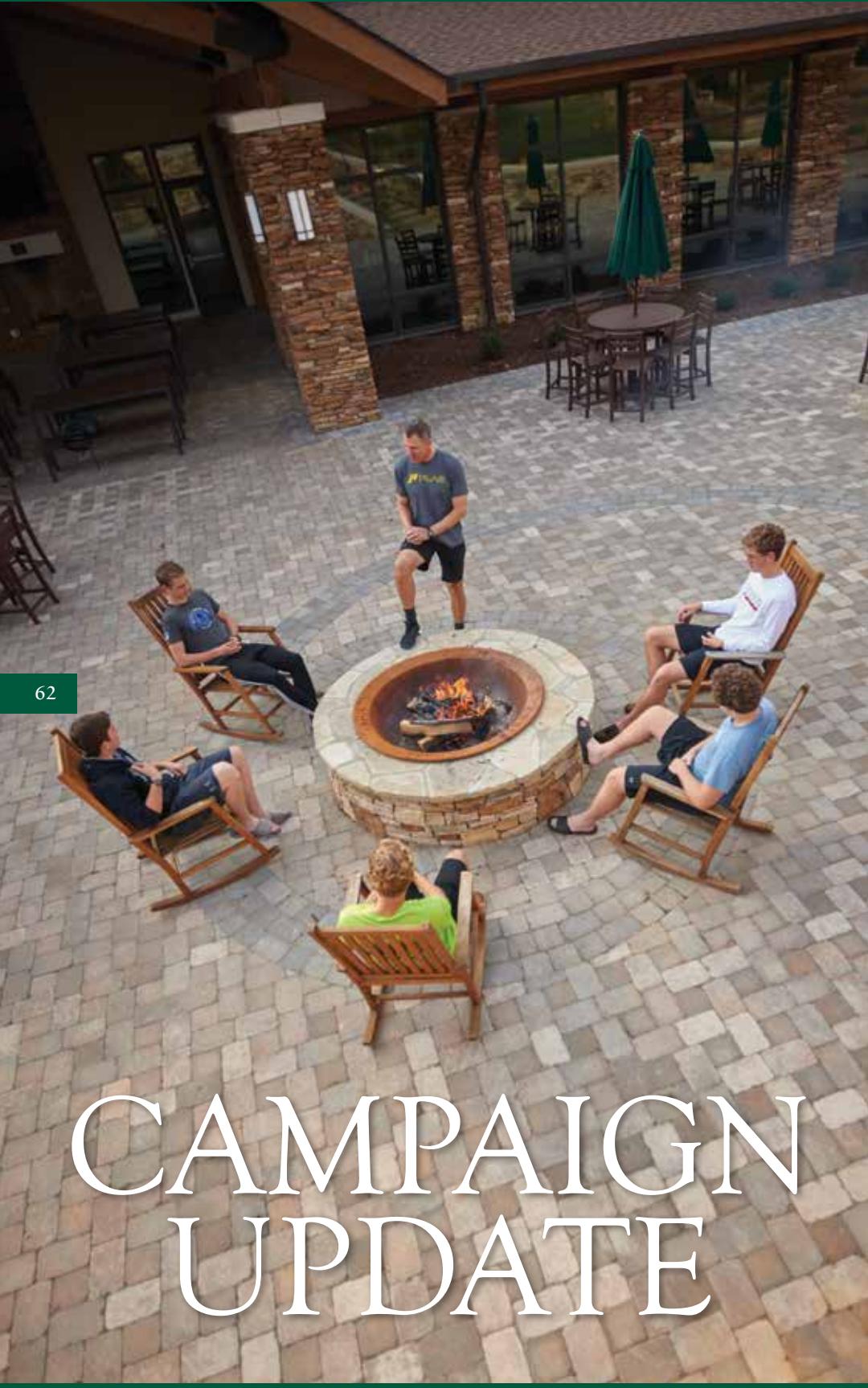




Counterclockwise from top right:
 Vanessa Giuliani gets a warm embrace from an Angelus attendee; The fire pit, dedicated to Alison and Ron Brumley '72, glows during the Angelus cocktail hour; Ann Goosmann P'18 and Nicki Ingle P'18; Tom Connors P'85, P'87 and Betty Montgomery P'93, P'96, P'98 enjoy a conversation; Steve Nesbitt '58, GP'18 and Dan Stevenson '72, P'15 greet one another; Paul Krieger P'09, P'12 and Cam Smail '72 talk with other guests during the dinner; plaques dedicated to those who were major donors to the new dining hall as well as those who contributed to the main dining room are placed in the lobby of Stoltz Hall.



CAMPAIGN UPDATE



DRAWING STRENGTH *from* WITHIN

the CAMPAIGN for CHRIST SCHOOL

A campaign update, given at the Angelus dinner, reflected the following:

- Three years into this five-year effort
- One year since we announced the public phase
- Two years remaining

And, we're almost 83% to goal. We have raised \$16.5 million of the \$20 million goal.

Fully funded capital projects Include:

- Stoltz Hall, the new dining hall with seating for 328, opened at the start of this academic year and provides exceptional space for a shared meal for our boys, for faculty, and for staff. The facility includes The Family Dining Room, with multiple food stations, indoor and outdoor dining, outdoor fireplace, and fire pit, as well as a private dining room, the Bradshaw Dining Room.
- Gardner House, a complete renovation of the Infirmary into a new student dorm housing 16 students, completed August 2016.
- Alumni Plaza, a defined pedestrian area joining the academic/athletic campus with the residential campus, completed August 2016.
- Kimberly Clock, a feature of Alumni Plaza, which has quickly become the gathering spot on campus.
- And, completion of The Kennedy-Herterich Art Studio - Forget-Me-Not Cottage, renovated and upfitted to include classroom space, a studio, and pottery studio, funded by the Kennedy-Herterich Fund of the Ethel and W. George Kennedy Family Foundation, completed November 2016.

Yet, our biggest challenge is still before us: fully funding a new Athletic Center

Our full attention now turns to making the largest capital project in Christ School history - the Athletic Center - a reality. With a \$1.2 million challenge grant in hand, we are seeking a match to that challenge. We are looking for someone to share the naming opportunity, with the person putting forth this challenge. We are also seeking lead project underwriters at the \$100,000 and \$250,000 levels.

- The Annual Loyalty Fund continues to seek support for operational expenses.
- Tuition covers only about 80% of Christ School's operating budget. Undesignated donations to the Annual Loyalty Fund provide us flexibility to meet our areas of greatest need, such as competitive faculty salaries, student scholarships, maintenance of facilities and grounds, and day-to-day operating costs.
- Those giving ALF gifts of \$1,500 or more receive an invitation to the annual Angelus Dinner and are members of the Angelus Society.

We deeply appreciate our loyal donors without whom our success would not be possible. To discuss an opportunity to make your gift, please contact Denis Stokes in the Advancement Office at 828.684.6232, ext. 115.



Paige Wheeler: From Campaign Manager to Associate Director of Advancement

Paige Wheeler has assumed duties as Associate Director of Advancement. Joining the Advancement staff three years ago as the Campaign Manager for Drawing Strength from Within - the Campaign for Christ School, Paige has quickly come to fully appreciate the work of Christ School and has also made quick application of her keen understanding of fundraising and philanthropy.

With more than 20 years of experience in fundraising, Paige will continue to manage the Campaign to its successful completion (currently 83% to goal, having raised more than \$16 million toward the \$20 million goal) and will manage the daily operations of annual giving, alumni affairs, capital and planned giving, the school auction held biennially, and the donor stewardship program.

As Advancement completes current plans and looks ahead to new challenges, Paige will offer strong leadership. ■

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Planned Giving: Charitable Remainder Trust

The concept of establishing a remainder trust is becoming a mainstream giving vehicle that a percentage of donors find appealing. Simply put, a donor creates a trust with a defined amount of money (or other assets, discussed later) and receives a pre-determined or variable annual percent of that initial amount for a defined period of time. The period of time the donor receives annual payments can be up to and including the death of the donor and, in some cases, up to the death of a surviving spouse.

At the point of establishing the trust, the donor also receives an immediate tax deduction, an amount determined as a charitable contribution, a calculated portion of the initial amount. The trust's resources are typically invested and managed, thus likely showing growth over a period of time and also providing for some of the portion disbursed annually. The remainder, that is, the amount left in the trust at the death of the donor and/or the donor's spouse, is the amount that goes to the charity.

Advantages of establishing a remainder trust are the initial tax benefit by the predetermined

estimated residual amount to charity and the conversion of assets into an income stream for the donor. While establishing a charitable remainder trust is determined by state and federal regulations, a knowledgeable estate attorney can readily assist.

Funding

Mentioned above, the easiest way to establish a trust is with cash. However, it is often preferable to fund a trust with appreciated assets, be they long-held stocks or real estate. By donating the stock or the real estate to the trust and then liquidating the asset, the donor avoids taxes on the avoided gain and, of course, receives the tax benefit based on the full value of the liquidated asset, subject to the charitable remainder trust provisions.

Planned Giving vehicles – as remainder trusts are considered – are right when the donor has a clear understanding of his financial needs coupled with a clear understanding of his charitable aims. It is best to discuss this with your attorney or financial advisor. At the appropriate time, someone from the Christ School Advancement Office is happy to join the conversation. ■



MOTHER / SON *Weekend*

April 21-22, 2017

Special features of the weekend include:

Friday, April 21 – Athletic events on campus (TBA) followed by Mothers and Sons dinner on campus, ice cream, and photo booth

Saturday, April 22 – Mothers Only Brunch and Events hosted by Form, Mother-Son Field Day, Cocktails at the Headmaster's Home, Dinner at Sierra Nevada Brewing Company

Chaired by Karyn Kearney P'20

Form Chairs – Eleanor Smythe P'21; Ruth Thompson P'19 and Michelle Dodenhoff P'19; Catherine Freeman P'18 and Stephanie Campbell P'17



In Honor. In Memory.



Christ School means much to many and it is not uncommon for alumni, spouses of alumni, children of alumni, and parents of alumni to desire a way to honor the Christ School alumnus in their life and/or to honor the memory of that alumnus. If you are looking for a such a way to do so, consider the following:

- Naming a Pew in St. Joseph's Chapel
- Reserving a permanent resting place in The Emory Memorial Garden

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ALUMNI

NEWS
FROM
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Raising a Pint

A group of Christ School's young alumni and faculty gathered at Catawba Brewing in downtown Asheville to celebrate the Greenies' victory over Asheville School on October 29. Thirteen alumni dined on Luella's BBQ, watched football, and caught up with some of their classmates and teachers. Faculty guests included Jamie Auch, Travis Harris, and James Uhler. Attendees hailed from the Class of 2001 to the Class of 2012, with the Class of 2012 winning the award for best participation!

Alumni guests at Catawba also took home a Christ School Alumni pint glass! Don't miss your chance to get your own glass over Alumni Weekend (May 5-7). We will have another young alumni gathering at Sierra Nevada in the spring and look forward to planning future events that bring together recent graduates and Christ School faculty. We hope to see more young alumni on campus soon! If you're interested in connecting with our office or visiting campus, please reach out to Isaac Rankin. ■



Top: Eric Thorp '01 and mathematics teacher Jamie Auch catch up over a pint at Catawba Brewing. **Middle:** Hank Hodge '10 and Josh Whitney '09 reconnect. **Bottom:** Robert Byrd '11 enjoys some delicious Luella's BBQ.



alumni weekend **2017**



FRIDAY, MAY 5

Registration beginning in the afternoon in Hamner Lobby
Annual Reed Finlay '58 "Big R" Fun Run on Campus Trails

Headmaster's Cocktail Reception in the evening
to reconnect with classmates



SATURDAY, MAY 6

Alumni Memorial Eucharist
Christ School Now – Presentation by Headmaster Paul Krieger
and student panel discussion

Alumni Barbeque Luncheon with BBQ, Awards,
and Class Pictures

Reunion Year Gatherings Around Asheville

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2007 1992 1967

1943

Dabney Ewin '43 attended the Christ School New Orleans luncheon at Antoine's and mentioned that he is considering retirement.

1949

John Schnorrenberg '49 now lives in Bethesda, MD, to be closer to his son and daughter.

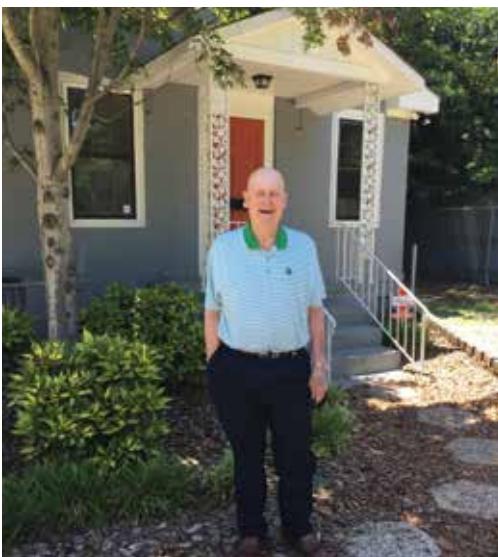
1954

Butch Saint '54 writes: "I am almost retired from the Army and vice president of overseas operations for a national security company, MPRI and Consulting."

1955

Jim Agnew '55 lives and works in Durham where he is a partner with Smith, Salley, and Associates. The firm manages over a billion dollars. Jim has taken particular interest in helping to perpetuate the look of the stonework on the campus buildings.

Robert Shuford '55 is the Chairman of the Board, president, and CEO of Old Point Financial Corporation and Chairman of the Board of Old Point National Bank, Hampton, VA. He has been a director since 1965. Robert visited campus to see the home football game in which the Greenies defeated Davidson Day to advance to the State Championship.



Jack Turnage '57



David McCullough '45, Charlie Waddell '62, Bob Moore '49, and a Brat enjoying a lovely evening at the McCullough's cabin in Montreat.

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NEWS FROM ALUMNI

1957

Jack Turnage '57 and his wife, Helen, live in Augusta, GA, where he runs his company, Payrolls Plus. They enjoy their many grandchildren and are looking forward to Jack's 60th reunion this coming May 5, 6, and 7.

1962

Art Carlson '62 continues to "hold court" at his Washington, DC, restaurant, C.F. Folks. He encourages everyone to stop by for lunch when in D.C.

1963

Ed "Bubba" Souther '63 is living and working in Knoxville where he has his own CPA firm. Bubba has served on the CS Board of Trustees at several times and for almost twenty years altogether.

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Left inset: Located outside the employee entrance to the new dining hall, Stoltz Hall

Right inset: Located outside Pingree at the base of a newly planted dogwood tree



The Class of 1966: On the Occasion of Its 50th Reunion

Larry Miller '66 and Wyndham Manning '66 rallied their class on the occasion of their 50th Reunion. In encouraging support for the school, the class's aim was three-fold:

- To honor Barbara Boylan (wife of Robin Boylan '66) for her hospitality, kindness, and generosity in hosting (and tolerating!) the class over the years.
- To recognize Mr. Dave for his leadership as headmaster and his lasting impact on each member of the class, and to recognize several members of the kitchen staff for their service above self.
- To contribute to the school's permanent endowment.

Mission accomplished in that each of the objectives was met, and Christ School is better on account of the Class of 1966's thoughtfulness and generosity.

1966

Tom Ballou '66 and his wife, Ali, live in Birmingham where Tom spent his career in the steel industry. Tom was on campus last spring for his class's 50th reunion and loved how the place looks.

Larry Miller '66 is President and CEO of Independence National Bank and lives in Greenville with his wife, Sherri. Larry is a past member of the CS Board of Trustees.

1967

John Bowen '67 lives on Hilton Head Island and practices law there. His home and property were badly damaged in Hurricane Matthew but the law office did not sustain any damage.

Gary Chambers '67 has recently retired from SCP&G where he served as their head of security for many years. Gary is looking forward to his 50th reunion where the "Cartoon Defense" will once again shut everybody down!

Bill Massengale '67 is practicing law in Chapel Hill; son Billy '06 has just joined the District Attorney's Office there.

1968

Ted Stoney '68 writes: "Polly and I bought a home in Cashiers, NC, last July and have enjoyed visits with John Saalfeld '69, Peter Waters '69, Albert Matheny '68, Gordon Coleman '65, and Willie Dodds '68."

1969

Don T. Caffery '69 lives in Franklin, LA, managing the sugarcane acres that have been in his family for over a hundred years. He made the trip to New Orleans for the annual NOLA gathering in November where he joined his brother Gordon '76 at Antoine's.

1970

David Mathison '70, and his wife, Mary, live on Hilton Head Island where he runs the company he founded, Leather Miracles, LLC. David spends a great deal of time in Asia on business.

1971

Bob Rumsey '71 is a pathologist in Lake Charles, LA, where he and his wife, Elise, are raising three girls. Bob and Elise came to NOLA for this year's gathering and had a great time seeing old friends.

1972

Robert Counce '72 lives and works in NOLA but has been coming to WNC with his son Holland for a series of hikes with Dan '72 and Jill Stevenson. After one particularly arduous trek, the trail was renamed "The Bataan Death March."



Jeff Griffin '72 and Will Sagar '72

Jeff Griffin and Will Sagar, members of the class of '72, enjoyed a warm fall afternoon on campus. Both are looking forward to seeing their classmates at their 45th reunion next May 5, 6, and 7.



Rich '73 and Bob '64 Toomey

1973

Rick '73 (Duke grad) and Bob '64 (Morehead Scholar at Chapel Hill) Toomey were on campus this fall for a football game. Both have recently retired after stellar careers in their respective fields.



1974

Ben Nash '74 reports that his son (pictured above), Thurston, is a rising senior at Chapel Hill with plans to attend dental school.

1976

Gordon Caffery '76 has retired from the securities business and is enjoying life in the Louisiana low country. He and his brother, Don T., enjoy hunting their fields in Franklin.



Hagood Ellison '68

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Cooper and Sadie, daughters of Mike Leland '86, encounter their first stump.



Richard Haake '87 holding up the Kimberly Lamp on the new and glorious Alumni Plaza in front of the equally beautiful and newly renovated Stoltz Hall.

Dwight Willingham '76 lives in Nashville with his wife, Lynn. Dwight works for Acadia Health Care, a publicly traded Mental Health Care Company, where he serves as a division president.



Billy Ford '81,P'19 and Mike Oakley P'19 enjoyed the tailgate before the annual thrashing of The Blues!

1983

Tony Allison '83 and his wife, Janece, attended the November New Orleans Christ School gathering hosted by Linda and Tommy Westfeldt '70. They live in Mobile, AL.

1984

Chris Bready '84, his wife, and three children have moved to Mandeville, LA, where Chris is plant manager for Point Eight Power's Belle Chase facility. Chris was able to join us for the luncheon at Antoine's and is planning on becoming more involved with the school.

1986

Mikell Leland '86 visited campus in June along with his daughters, Cooper and Sadie, and had this to say in a follow-up email: "Imagine my delightful discovery, while driving down to show my girls the Lake as I stood beside the 'stump'; stuck in a gleeful trance, my daughters were completely indifferent to our newfound treasure. 'But Dad, it is just a stump!' Little did they know its meaning. And after a thirty-minute monologue, they still had no appreciation for the plight of the 'Three Cs.' It's an experience ONLY a Christ School boy can appreciate...and ultimately cherish!"

1987

Ranson Roussel '87, and his wife, Christiana, live in Birmingham where he runs The Distribution Point, an online plumbing wholesaler that he founded. He is looking forward to coming back for his 30th reunion on May 5, 6, and 7.

Andy Taylor '87 lives in the D.C. area where he and his wife, Shannon, are the proud parents of two adorable children. Andy founded and manages Political Alpha, a firm that specializes in providing political analysis to financial firms, allowing them to understand how political dynamics might impact investment decisions. Andy is a recent inductee into the CS Athletic Hall of Fame.

1990

Michael Hill '90 and his wife, Carol, and their two children live in Birmingham. Michael owns and operates four McDonald's restaurants. He is a recent addition to the CS Athletic Hall of Fame.

1991

Atsu Toyomaura '91, the first international student to graduate from CS, runs the family's real estate property management business in Tokyo. He and his wife, Kana, and their 16-year-old son Ty, visited CS in May 2016 for Atsu's 25th Reunion.

1992

Eduardo Reyes '92, who was an exchange student from Cali-Colombia, is a luxury travel designer at an international travel group in Mexico City.

1994

Joseph Green '94 recently moved into a new job as an ESA (Equipment Service Associate) with Voith Industrial Services working at BMW. He says: "I work nights and I fix the robots and automation equipment on the body shop production lines."

Kei Shinozaki '94 completed his undergraduate studies at Boston University and earned a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree in Tokyo. He runs his own clinic, Aki Pet Clinic, in Tokyo, a practice of four veterinarians.

1995

Jay Dobbs '95, and his wife, Christine, live in Birmingham where he runs the Budweiser distribution center. He is an Ole Miss grad, which, he admits, can feel a bit lonesome in Alabama in the fall.



Brothers Will '96 and John '98 Montgomery are both living and working in Spartanburg, SC.



Ryan Duke '98 in front of his restaurant, The Blue Marlin, in Columbia, SC.

1998

Ryan Duke '98 and his wife welcomed a little baby boy into this world in the fall.

2000

Scott Geary '00 and his wife, Brannan, live in New Orleans with their two children, a son and a daughter, each enrolled at Trinity Episcopal School.

2001

Kelly Bukett '01 writes: "I have been with CSI for five years now as a senior estimator. When I am not working I spend time with my family, coaching my middle son's soccer team, and officiating football and lacrosse. This year I was honored to be selected from my association to work the first round and quarterfinal round of the NCHSAA playoffs for football as a back judge."

2004

Robert Sim '04 completed his undergraduate studies at University of Wisconsin-Madison, majoring in Economics. Having completed Air Force ROTC detachment 925, he served in the United States Air Force at Los Angeles Air Force Base as an Acquisition Officer. Robert now lives in Seoul and works as a Brand Manager at INNOCEAN Worldwide, an Advertising Agency.



Brittin Haines, son of Sean Haines '87, and his grandfather Charles.

2006

Kim Young Jin '06 was married August 2016; he and his wife Soo Min Ryu live in Seoul. After completing his undergraduate work at Penn State, Young Jin now works with Samsung SDS on a corporate management team.

Jack Park '06 lives in Seoul and is on the equity management team with Hyundai Asset Management.

2007

Jeremiah Bell '07 graduated from medical school and is now completing a neurology residency at Virginia Tech Carillon Clinic in Roanoke, VA.

Robert Patterson '07 married Lindsey Creighton on July 16, 2016, at The Cathedral of Christ the King, Atlanta, GA. The bride and groom both graduated from the University of Alabama in 2011. Robert is employed as a reinsurance broker for AmWINS. Lindsey has returned to school for a degree in nursing at Georgia State University. The bride and groom honeymooned in St. Kitts and Nevis; they reside in Atlanta.

2009

Jinyu "Andy" Seo '09 completed his undergraduate studies at Case Western Reserve University and is currently working on a masters degree at Seoul National University.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson '07

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PH Broyhill '11



Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Dunn '10



2010

Grayton Cloos '10 (pictured above) is living in Taiwan, working at a junior/senior high school and teaching robotics, science, and English. He was teaching in China for six months before coming to Taiwan but made the move to Taiwan when the opportunity arose. He is working on kick-starting Wago's English-language robotics program while he finishes up the coursework on an accredited US teaching certificate.

Bradley Dunn '10 married Bri Dunn on August 13, 2016 in Davidson, NC. He is vice president at Stream Realty Partners where he oversees their industrial real estate division.

2011

PH Broyhill '11 reported this past fall that he was watching Greenies football courtesy of CSBN all the way from the big city of Clinton, SC. He said, "I enjoyed Fayssoux Field a little better than the loss for Panthers at Mile High." Andy (McMillan)'12 seems to be taking control of that classroom. I made sure to explain to him the difference between AP level classes and the PH level classes of Christ School. It's all about creating a compelling educational environment either way. I never could hang with the big boys at AP level."



Blaise Dunsmith '12 on the Ponte Vecchio in Florence, Italy

2012

Blaise Dunsmith '12 wrote last summer: "I've been traveling Europe this summer (Switzerland, Germany, The Netherlands, and Italy). And following my time here in Torrita di Siena I'll be going to Dublin to study abroad at UCD (University College of Dublin). Living for two months in Europe with four more to go is a life-changing experience!"

Kyo Joon Koo '12 is enrolled at Syracuse University's Martin J. Whitman School of Management. Having interrupted his undergraduate studies to fulfill a two-year compulsory military service obligation for South Korea, Kyo Joon will complete his undergraduate studies May 2018.

Zach Korkowski '12 is now living in Greenville, SC, and working as a chemist at First Quality Company. His says that Christ School prepared him for Wofford and Wofford prepared him to work in the real world.



All-Conference punt returner Charles Beale '13 at Tabor

2013

Charles Beale '13 made first KCAC All-Conference punt returner. He also plays wide receiver. His Tabor team won the KCAC conference again this year and went to NAIA playoffs.



Michael Martin '13 (pictured above) is taking his (UNC-Chapel Hill) senior fall semester classes at the University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia, one of the top accounting schools in the world.

2014

Current Greenies (pictured below) Will Iorio '17 and Jonah Roberts '17 met up with Navy midshipmen Mark Glaeser '14 and Thomas Garbee '16, and West Point cadets Camrin Opp '14, Luke Pearce '14 at the Army/Navy game in December.



Greenies unite at 2016 Army Navy Game.

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Harrison Froelich '16 and Zak Lintz '16 cheered on CS varsity football at the championship game in Greensboro.



Midshipman Thomas Garbee '16 and LSU senior Rhyne Jones '13 met while playing in a golf tournament at LSU this past fall.



Pulsifer brothers at Duke

2015

Zach Pulsifer '17 had a chance to check in with his brother Liam '15 during Duke's Family Weekend in early October. After a year in India where he studied Hindi and learned how to make a mean butter chicken, Liam loves being at Duke where he's taking tough classes and playing in the Wind Symphony and the Pep Band. Look for him and the rest of the "Bones" as they roll the Duke Devil across Cameron Stadium during men's basketball games.

2016

Fabrice Dallies '16 and Liam McCann '16 stopped by this fall to cheer on the varsity soccer team.



Fabrice Dallies '16 and Liam McCann '16



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