Fifty years after his graduation from Christ School, the late Dr. Samuel T. Emory, Jr. ’51 has given Christ School one of the most significant gifts it has ever received. Dr. Emory and his wife Sylvia Callaway “Sibby” Emory created a family trust that provided for their family during their lifetimes. In 2010 the trust was transformed into exceptional, unrestricted gifts of more than $1.5 million each to Christ School and to Sibby’s alma mater, St. Mary’s School in Raleigh, NC.

Sam was born in 1933 in Durham, North Carolina, and grew up in Chapel Hill, the son of the University of North Carolina’s first geography professor. An honor student, Sam arrived at Christ School for fifth form, involving himself in J/V football, track, the school newspaper and on the Angelus yearbook staff. After his graduation from Christ School, he received his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University of North Carolina, and his Ph.D. from the University of Maryland. He founded the geography department at then Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Virginia and was its chairman for many years. A professor at Mary Washington for more than thirty-eight years, Sam retired in 1997 as a Distinguished Professor of Geography.

The American Heritage Dictionary defines geography as the science that deals with the study of the Earth and its lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena. Life-long learners, seasoned travelers and cycling enthusiasts, Sam and Sibby visited nearly 30 countries. They led student bicycling groups through England, France, Luxembourg and Germany, exploring the world and its cultures. At his retirement, Sam recollected that “the best part of these trips was getting to know the students.”

Sam is remembered fondly for his reticence and taciturnity, but significantly, he is also remembered for his commitment to his community of Fredericksburg. He served as chairman of Fredericksburg’s Republican Party in the 1970s and early 1980s, and was also active on the city’s Planning Commission, which he chaired for several years. In 1980, he and his wife Sibby opened Sammy T’s, a popular restaurant that became a cornerstone in the revitalization of the city’s downtown area. The Emorys were involved in St. George’s Episcopal Church where they were members and volunteered at the Thurman Brisben Center (TBC) which began as a Fredericksburg-area homeless shelter. Sam served TBC as both its Board president and a member of its executive committee. Sam’s son, Samuel T. Emory III remembered his father, saying, “He thought it was an obligation to give back to the community.”

With their gift, the Emorys are now helping a whole new generation of young men at Christ School and women at St. Mary’s School discover the world and realize great dreams.
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Welcome Home!
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Announce Alumni Weekend

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This is a wonderful time to be at Christ School. By hard work and good fortune we have remained immune to the financial and market-driven problems that independent schools, especially boarding schools, have been experiencing over the past 2–3 years. Enrollment is at an all time high with 249 students. We are also fortunate to be seeing even more qualified students during the application process while having a record retention rate of 92%. As we continue to manage the growth in enrollment, so too must we manage the expansion and maintenance of our facilities. It is critical that our facilities complement our academic and extracurricular programs, and the expectations from parents, students, and alumni. Additionally, attracting, hiring, and retaining the very best people, in all areas of our community, remains a top priority. Great teachers and mentors, who can form solid relationships with each other and with our students, are what set us apart from other schools. Below are highlights of our current areas of focus as well as initiatives that we are planning for the future.

Update: Academics, School News, and Fundraising

- 15% of this year’s senior class was accepted by UNC-Chapel Hill.
- Our Arabic program looks to expand into its third year. We are also considering adding Mandarin Chinese in the near future.
- As of February 15th, we have a waiting list of 26 applicants.
- Our Christ School Speaker Series will feature cyber expert Katie Koestner (March, 2011) Ross Perot (April, 2011), and author and motivational speaker Bryant K. Smith (Fall, 2011)
- Annual Loyalty Fund (ALF) running ahead of last five years.
- Out of 88 Christ School employees, only four are departing. Two are moving to Taiwan, one will be attending graduate school, and one to spend more time with family.
- Our varsity basketball team recently won its record-breaking fifth consecutive NCISAA 3-A Championship.

“As we continue to manage the growth in enrollment, so too must we manage the expansion and maintenance of our facilities. It is critical that our facilities complement our academic and extracurricular programs, and the expectations from parents, students, and alumni.” – Paul M. Krieger
Facilities

• Our new multi-million dollar Science Center has broken ground and will be open for use by January 1, 2012.

• We are preparing to knock down our existing football bleachers on Fayssoux Field and construct new, more permanent, and expanded seating that will accommodate 1,000+ fans. Storage space and a filming tower are also components of the project.

• Pingree Theater will be renovated to handle our expanding enrollment. Currently, we cannot adequately seat all of our student body and faculty. This increase, combined with our Drama Department’s popularity and success (29 boys have signed up for our spring drama production), mandates that we add seating capacity. Plans are underway to cantilever 85 balcony seats directly over our current orchestra section.

• We are currently in the conceptual stage of a $5-$7 million multi-purpose athletic building which will be used for wrestling, baseball, lacrosse, and intramural basketball as well as a general use space. The second floor will have a state-of-the-art exercise workout and weight room which will face south to catch the views of our athletic fields and Burney Mountain.

Christ School Enrollment History

Snapshots through the year

College Blitz

State Champs

Lessons & Carols
The choir sang the anthem and sounded great!

Girls from St. Mary’s came for the game and the Halloween Dance.

Ticket to The Game: Free
Body Paint: Mom bought it
Hat from the CS Bookstore: $16.25
Board Chair Nat Hyde’74’s photo with the Greenies:

**PRICELESS!**
From the Tailgate

The Parent Council prepared a bountiful spread. Parents pitched in to help and students appreciated every morsel.

CS 34 – AS 21

The Greenies won their 4th in a row against the Blues 34-21 in the 84th meeting between the rival schools. The Greenies dominated the running game, out gaining the Blues 383 yards to 96 yards.

To the Trophy

Charles Beale ’13 scored four TD’s, while Mat Martin ’11 had two TD passes to Beale.

Senior George Wolfram calls the TD.
Once again, the Angelus Dinner was located at Lioncrest on the beautiful Biltmore Estate after another resounding football win over our across town rivals. Spirits among the School’s most generous supporters were high. Alumni, current parents, parents of alumni and friends came together to celebrate the win on the grid and the successes Christ School is enjoying.

Director of External Affairs Denis Stokes introduced the evening and Headmaster Paul Krieger spoke on the successes of record enrollment and the quality of students and faculty we now enjoy at Christ School. Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Nat Hyde ’74 introduced Robert Stolz ’81 as a new Trustee Emeritus and presented him with a limited edition sterling silver Christ School coin. Nat Hyde recognized alumnus and former Board member, Walker Aderholdt ’66 for his years of devoted service and presented him with a framed photo of a snowy St. Joseph’s Chapel.

Nat introduced Coach Pat James who was inducted into the Christ School Athletic Hall of Fame at halftime of the football game. Read about Coach James on page 32.

Other highlights included a shared memory from Jack Hudson ’49 and the auctioning of the game ball by alumnus auctioneer without peer, Robin Boylan’66.

Denis Stokes closed the evening’s formal program by recalling what John Noland ’64 and one of the School’s top two most generous benefactors said of the progress that Christ School had made. John spoke of the early days when fundraising pleas were not strategic at all and were rather pleas to keep the doors open. But he also spoke with pride of what Christ School has become. John closed his remarks by saying that Christ School has earned the support of those who care about this extraordinary place.
Clockwise from directly above:

Walker Aderholt ‘66 receives recognition.
Andrew and Lisbeth Nagle (Andrew ’11)
Glenn Philbert ’89 and his wife Allison
Kelly McCauley (Shep ’13)
Kiana and Jeff Miles with Clair and Kevin Campbell (Ian ’14) and Julian McCracken ’51
Trustee Emeritus Robert Stolz ’81 (Robert Jr. ’13)
Grady Byrd ’57 with classmate Edmund Hardy and wife Rhett
Athletic Director David Gaines ’84 holds the game-winning ball.
The second annual Father and Son Weekend welcomed more than 180 participants, an increase over last year. This was a great opportunity for fathers to connect with their son(s) and in some cases be stand-in dads by including their son’s friends or roommates in a variety of activities at Christ School and in the Asheville area.

Director of Student Life, Jeff Miles, once again invited the Brantly father and son duo with their program B.A.M, Becoming a Man. Their program on “Father/Son Relationships” was a hands-on session in the Mebane Fieldhouse which brought a lot of smiles.

Despite the torrential downpour in the afternoon which changed a few of Activities Director Travis Harris’ careful plans, many of the trips were held. Fathers and sons divided up to activities as diverse as Navitat Zip Lines, rafting, skeet shooting and fishing.

“We moved here from Florida just over a year ago and rafting with my Dad this weekend made this area really feel like home finally.” – Thomas Mackie ’12
A senior leader, whom I’ve known since he enrolled as a third former, mentioned to me the other day: “My parents and I were talking not long ago, and we were trying to figure out just what you do now at Christ School.” And this from a friend of mine!

His question did make me think about my new role away from admissions and how it might be understood or misunderstood by people who know me, let alone by those who don’t know me.

The easiest way to explain the Director of External Affairs role is to say that I have the awesome job of telling the Christ School story – to alumni, current parents, and benefactors of the School. Related to this, and a measure by which I am judged, is the amount of support we generate for Christ School. All of which is to say, fundraising is an important part of the work.

All well-run schools have fully staffed fundraising offices, which often include Alumni Relations, the Annual Fund (funds on which the institution is dependent each year for operational purposes), Publications (a big part of messaging and branding). Some (though we do not) have fully funded Major Gift Officers (charged with identifying prospective donors largely for capital projects) and Planned Giving Officers (charged with helping the institution’s benefactors with estate planning, when needed).

Typical for Christ School, this is not an institution to add layers of administrators and so our operation is lean, which means the scope of my work is broader than that of my counterparts elsewhere. This is where the enjoyment of the work lies in that there is latitude in creating the plan to meet the goals.

In admissions, we operated on the simple premise:

**Relevance + Awareness = Success**

**Translated:** If what the school is doing is relevant, then the challenge of the work is building awareness. This directly applied to and fostered our success in building Christ School’s enrollment and I believe the same equation applies to my work in External Affairs. Thus, a large part of my time this fall has been spent building awareness by way of travel.

The travel is primarily in the U.S., though it also included a recent trip to Shanghai, Beijing and Seoul. Stateside, our benefactors have an awareness of what we are doing, but it is also incumbent upon us to go and meet them, appreciate them for their support, and to always provide an updated snapshot of Christ School’s relevance to today. What I have found is that people appreciate the effort when someone from the School comes to visit them and, in turn, they respond by considering additional ways to support this special place.

Internationally, with our current families, we are beginning to introduce the idea of considering support beyond tuition and fees and an effective way to do this is by making an effort to visit families close to where they live. In tandem, I also interview prospective students, thus making the trip serve two purposes – fundraising and admissions.

There is more to External Affairs but suffice it to say that the fundamentals are as basic as the managing of relationships, something I always enjoyed about the work in admissions and that I’m enjoying in this work as well.
Students Jon Meidl ’11 and Robbie Mangone ’13 interviewed best-selling author Wes Moore for the student newspaper The Galax Leaf. Below is Robbie’s interview which took place before Moore’s public presentation in the Mebane Fieldhouse. Robbie is a day student from Asheville, NC.

Westley (Wes) Moore is a writer, an Army captain, graduate of John Hopkins University, proud husband and a winner of numerous awards, including the Rhodes Scholarship. He has been honored as one of Crain’s “New York Business 40 under 40 Rising Stars.” His first book The Other Wes Moore: One Name Two Fates reaches into, and tells the story of, the life of two young boys who grew up in the same neighborhood in Baltimore. Their outcomes were quite different. Wes Moore came to Christ School to talk to the students and the community. The Galax Leaf got a chance to sit down with this powerful and charming man.

Galax Leaf: What was it like working in the White House?

Mr. Moore: “The White House was an amazing experience. I was a special assistant to Condoleezza Rice. I worked mainly on foreign aid and foreign assistance issues. It was an amazing experience for me, just seeing how Washington worked… seeing how potent Washington can be and just how impotent Washington can be. I spent a year in Afghanistan the year before, then to come to Washington, and to serve your country in one way and then to serve it in a completely different way was a great paradigm shift.”

Galax Leaf: What are you trying to accomplish with your book The Other Wes Moore?

Mr. Moore: “The main thing I really want to accomplish is I want people to think more deeply about not only how they view themselves, but how they view others… how people understand the choices we make and how our decisions can make the biggest impacts. At times, there are decisions that when we make them we don’t even realize how big they are. This book is about much more than the two ‘Wes’s. This book is about all of us.”

“I want every day to wake up and feel like today is going to matter.”

–Wes Moore, Author of “The Other Wes Moore: One Name Two Fates”
Galax Leaf: What are the achievements you are most proud of in your life?

Mr. Moore: “There are a couple… One is my marriage. It’s one of those things, and I always tell people, it is the most important decision you will ever make. This is the person who you’re going to live and dream your life with. The other accomplishment was actually when I finished plebe system, at Valley Forge, when I was 12 years old. It was the first time in my life that I really believed I actually did something where I accomplished something on my own. I was a kid who was just so full of excuses. It was the first time in my life that I was really forced to say, ‘You know what? You’ve got to take accountability man!’ If it weren’t for that experience I don’t know how all those experiences would have actually translated.”

Galax Leaf: You seem to have a strong relationship with the media; do you think this could have come from a father who was a journalist?

Mr. Moore: “My mother said to me, in many ways it’s almost like you got it honestly. Because I never had any journalistic training, I never went to journalism school; I was the editor in chief of my school newspaper. But I never had the formalized training per se. When she got a chance to read [The Other Wes Moore: One Name Two Fates] its almost like this is within your DNA. So I’d like to think so.

Galax Leaf: What is the scariest thing you have ever had to do?

Mr. Moore: It would be disingenuous not to mention the combat tour as part of it. It’s terrifying, I mean, that kind of experience. I don’t think there is a better way to say it; it’s a terrifying experience. We were in the border region of Afghanistan and Pakistan. One thing I will say about that though, is the amount of courage and bravery of the people that you serve with really is this: it almost serves as this stalwart buffer around the fear, because you know you’re with the best… I could not have been with a better group, I really couldn’t have.

Even though that was terrifin in many ways there was something, actually, a bit freeing about going with a group like that. The great thing about life is that just about everything we do is interlaced with a sense of fear. That fear is what keeps us on our toes and as long as you can control it, it’s what keeps you going. I want every day to wake up and feel like today is going to matter.

Galax Leaf: How have you thanked your mom for all that she has done to positively influence your life?

Mr. Moore: I have (thanked her) but there is nothing I can do. How do you thank the person who is responsible for you? Every day she is told how much she means to me. It’s also a burden that I think I have that I will never be able to thank her; I’ll never be able to give her what she deserves for what she’s done.

For more about Wes Moore visit his website at: http://theotherwesmoore.com
Students and faculty left their classrooms on February 23 for “Enrichments,” a day for learning activities outside the normal curriculum. The boys each selected an activity from among the faculty offerings and spent the day engaged in this course of study that they wouldn’t normally have access to. This chance for faculty to share their wide variety of interests with students, whether it is a passion for cooking barbecue or learning to bullfight, is irresistible. Themes are generally educational, and included were cooking, cultural events, community service, life skills, and some were a combination of more than one. For example, several students had breakfast with World War II veterans and then learned about how they could be involved in the Honor Air Project of Rotary International. Many students took advantage of first aid training, others learned about song writing and music mixing, some visited the art galleries of downtown Asheville, while still others learned fly fishing. The boys had many opportunities to expand their horizons, and they look forward to the next Enrichment Day so they can try another of the exciting categories they didn’t get to this time. What guy wouldn’t want to take “Ten Things You Need to Know to be a Man”?
Bread Baking 101
Moog Music Factory Tour
Downtown Asheville Art Gallery Tour
Community Service: Bridge Construction
Biltmore House
Airport Control Tower
Blue Jeans & Fried Chicken
Hoosiers
Car Museum
An Introduction to Disc Golf
Mind, Matter and the Nature of Reality
Golf
Music In the Mix
“Ten things a man should know”
Dupont State Park Waterfall Biking Tour
College Visits
An Inside Look at the Legal System
Hiking the Blue Ridge Parkway
First Aid
Culinary Creations/ Iron Chef Christ School
Cooking 101
Mixed Martial Arts Seminar
Glass Studio
WNC Nature Center
College Blitz
“Remember the Alamo!”
Establishing Service Learning at CS
Local Agribusiness: Family Farm Trip
Adult CPR & AED Training
Asheville History Tour
Table Tennis
Food, Inc.
Darkroom
Table top RPG's-The art of group storytelling
Fireside Chats-Logic
The Not so Gentle art of Bullfighting
Do the Right Thing
Natural History on the Appalachian Trail

Clockwise from lower left:

Blaise Dunsmith ’13 reveled in the chemistry experiments.
ASSIST students prepared a dish from their native countries.
Michael Martin ’13 learns rugby.
Kyle Husslein ’14 blows a glass paperweight.
Mr. Cluxton harnessed the Boy Scouts and friends to repair the playground on campus.
Mr. Stender taught knotmaking.
Kelton Lastein ’12 and Sam Elmer ’13 became master fly fisherman.
acting on unanimous Board approval from its January meeting and breaking ground March 2011, Christ School begins its largest building project in school history, construction of the Mebane Science Center.

This state-of-the-art building gets to the heart of education and boys – a place where boys will be actively engaged in not only the mastering of concepts, but doing so in space designed for collaborating with peers, exchanging ideas. The sciences come alive with sound teaching and sound teaching is always enhanced by smart facilities.

The Mebane Foundation (G. Allen Mebane IV ’48, 1929 – 2009) generously provided the lead gift making this project possible. Additionally, several others have already stepped forward to provide significant support.

The Mebane Science Center will be a showplace, a match for exceptional teaching, and allow us to serve bright and capable students for years to come.

*Training our boys to truly experiment, investigate, create, and solve the real problems of today (and of the future) are the key to a boy’s education.*

-Headmaster Paul M. Krieger
Some of the building’s features include:

- Interactive Lobby with Exhibits
- Laboratories as Showrooms
- Monster Garage for Physics
- Hands-on Environment
- Living Lab Exhibits - Aquarium & Touch Tanks
- Student Research Space
- Courtyard and Outdoor Classroom

“We have been experimenting with metal alloys that when combined will have a melting point so low that they will melt in hot water. We’ve combined tin, indium and bismuth metals to make our alloy. We then created a mold (in our case we made a small intricate teaspoon) using jewelers clay. The finished product will have properties not commonly seen in metals (highly malleable and ductile with a very low melting point (~80 deg Celsius)).”

– Jude Clapper, Chemistry teacher
Recently, one of my boys announced in the weekly school assembly that his world literature section had to meet after lunch for dance rehearsal. I was impressed at his ability to organize his comrades for a meeting without my help. But I was awestruck at his confidence in admitting before 240 other boys exactly what they were up to. Seeing students with that confidence, the kind that flouts embarrassment or failure, is one of the greatest perks of teaching. My experience teaching at an all-boys school has yielded surprising discoveries of how they learn and mature.

The student’s bold rehearsal call was related to a special extra-credit assignment that I give early in the year. We examine the power of creation myth and the effect of Westernization on Maori culture in New Zealand. Before their paper is due, I allow them the opportunity to learn and perform a “haka” war dance as a class. The whole lot must be involved, or no extra points are awarded.

The boys generally grumble or negotiate at first, insisting that their toes twinkle too dimly to participate. When I show a video of Maori men and rugby players intimidating their opponents using haka along with an explanation, it suddenly seems possible. The boys typically nominate a gregarious friend to be the dance leader, and eventually even the most introverted stragglers join the fray.

A Search for the Self

These dancers are working to overcome the fundamental struggle with adolescent boys’ school performance: their ability to bring their genuine selves to center stage. This type of “display” is crucial not only to their academic success but also to their own self-discovery. How can they pull the basket off their little light if they haven’t even figured out what lights their candle?

My job as their teacher is to facilitate basket removal—by methods ranging from a mental nudge to a cerebral dead lift. The successes in basket removal far outweigh the quality of the haka. So I attempt to be a comprehensive role model to promote their perusal of more diverse interests. Why not expose them simultaneously to the “Great Books” and The Clash discography?

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How a Maori War Dance can engender self-discovery... and a love of the classics in young men.

– by Trevor Thornton
English teacher, wrestling and lacrosse coach
I realized the power that performance had to break my students’ barriers of conventionally accepted coolness, as well as their interpersonal barriers. Football jocks and skater punks could engage in civil discourse toward a common goal. I, too, hoped to model a similar confidence in sharing myself and my passions to pique their academic interest, so I tricked out my classroom with pictures of my favorite musicians and artwork. I used a couple of my own clips from my college newspaper as examples for writing assignments. Still, I felt like their performance had shown more of them than I had revealed of me. I wanted to repay them.

So enlisting a colleague, I enacted the famous tavern scene of Henry IV, pt. 1, playing Prince Hal to his Falstaff—horribly but earnestly. It was obvious I had no experience acting, but the idea that their wrestling coach was interested in theater must have struck a chord. Perhaps such diverse interests indeed have a place in men’s lives in an ever-specializing and career-orienting world. We received a rousing ovation.

Looking Toward the Future

Theatrics—in the classroom or the school play—can engender self-discovery. And the self-display necessary for public performance can improve boys individually as they pursue the common good. By learning that changes within themselves (and therefore within the world) are possible, boys can prepare themselves for making positive contributions to society. Perhaps connecting the profound with the profane—as theatrics often does—will help my students arrive at their own sets of values resembling, I hope, those that the world prizes universally.

“And the self-display necessary for public performance can improve boys individually as they pursue the common good.” – Trevor Thornton
School's Drama department presented its fall production of The Fantasticks, the longest running production in the history of the American stage.

This musical, written in 1960, is a parable about the ideals and realities of romance and features such popular songs as “Try to Remember” and “They Were You.” Starring Richard Walden Mull ’11 as El Gallo, Christina Maxwell as Luisa, Jesse Richardson-Bull ’13 as Matt, Blaise Dunsmith ’13 as Bellomy, Sam James ’13 as Hucklebee with Reid Scothorn ’14 as Mortimer and George Wolfram ’11 as Henry.

The Mutes are played by Alex Biggs ’14, Mitchell Smith ’11 and Dean Zhang ’11. The production was directed by Mary Dillon with musical direction by Dr. Vance Reese and technical direction by Marshall Balthazar.

Director Mary Dillon and her students presented Act One of The Fantasticks for the seventh annual Independent School Theater Festival (ISTF). The Best Actress award was given to Christina Maxwell for her performance of Luisa, and Richard Walden Mull won Best Actor for his performance of “El Gallo.” The Fantasticks was named the Best Play in the festival.
Rogues for hire, Mortimer (Reid Scothorn) and Henry (George Wolfram) advertise their talents.

Mutes Alex Biggs, Dean Zhang and Mitchell Smith hold the romantic moon in their palms of their hands.

El Gallo (Richard Walden Mull) introduces the innocent Luisa (Christina Maxwell) to the “real” world with all its pain and suffering.

Hucklebee (Sam James) and Bellomy (Blaise Dunsmith) encourage the growing relationship between their “kids” Luisa (Christina Maxwell) and Matt (Jesse Richardson-Bull).

Andrea Blough and Dr. Vance Reese serve as the company musicians performing on stage with the actors.
And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, the wise men departed to their own country by another way.—Matthew 2:12

And so began our journey through this season of Epiphany: walking by another way. Each week in chapel, as part of the Eucharistic liturgy, we have explored new expressions in music—hearing in new ways shows us to see in new ways and then understand in new ways what God is saying to us.

First we heard from the two child stars of Brundibar, an opera originally staged in Auschwitz during the Holocaust. That weekend ten students and two faculty attended the Asheville Lyric Opera production. The following week we were treated to banjo and guitar music, offered up by David Brown, which bears the dual influence of Africans and Irish who settled in the Appalachian region. Next we heard improvisational music provided by the school band, featuring students and faculty. Our journey continued with the rich sounds of a gifted singer-songwriter in our own community: until that Thursday, Ken Kiser was known solely as a Spanish teacher at Christ School. Finally, we meditated on the traditional chanting of psalms. In every case our hope has been to allow members of the community to experience the liturgy in a fresh way. Just as those wise men, after their encounter with the Christ child, necessarily saw life differently, so too have we. Adding further accent to this theme were a series of senior talks which have transformed the community. And punctuating it all is the heartfelt applause of the Christ School community, appreciative of the gifts that reveal the light of Christ.
At our weekly Eucharist on September 23, Fr. Austin Rios, Canon for Spanish Speaking Ministries in the Diocese of Western North Carolina, preached on the theme of integrity. He challenged the Christ School community to consider ways we might enter into relationship with Spanish-speaking congregations in our area. He also met with Olga Mahoney, our Director of Service Learning, to explore opportunities for partnering with those communities.

Just before Christmas break, we received the special gift of song offered up by Akila Parks, who works in the Christ School Dining Hall. So often we have talents hidden in our midst, and St. Joseph’s Chapel is a place where those talents might be shared for all to appreciate. Akila is known to all of us for his spirit of good cheer and hospitality; now he is known to us for his special ministry of music.

The Rev. David C. (Kirk) Brown. Officiant
Dr. Vance Reese. Organist
Mr. Patrick McMurry. Choirmaster
The Christ School Choir

In the Procession
Marshall Plumlee ’11, Crucifer
Robert Byrd ’11, Torch Bearer
Frank Lucius ’12, Torch Bearer
Richard Mull ’11, Sacristan
Frost Parker ’11, Verger

Additional Musicians
Mr. Frank Argento, Accompanist
Chambers Loomis ’13, Piano
Gabe deBeus ’13, Clarinet
Ms. Andrea Blough, Soloist

Left: Beth Krieger spearheaded the decoration of the Chapel and students, faculty, and staff pitched in to help.
Joseph Husslein could often be seen riding his bicycle around campus and in Asheville. What many of us didn’t know was that this was part of his six-month training period for a very big ride.

Husslein, father of ninth-grader Kyle, rode his bicycle 3240 miles across the United States to raise money for, and awareness of, the Big Brothers Big Sisters of America Foundation, a national youth mentoring program. Starting in California, Husslein made a stop in Asheville on October 17th on his way to Charleston, SC. Students from Christ School met the team downtown and helped the local chapter of BBBS with bike rodeo events; a bike builders competition, bike decorating and a parade.

Husslein called his fundraiser “Little Big Ride” (www.littlebigride.org) and raised more than $100,000 for his cause. A long-time bicyclist, and CEO of TakeCare Insurance, Joseph Husslein supports health and youth initiatives. As a resident of Guam, he helped resurrect that chapter of Big Brothers Big Sisters, where he himself is an alumnus. He is a staunch supporter of Make-A-Wish Foundation and the American Cancer Society’s Relay-for-Life, and a sponsor of Sanctuary Guam, a community based organization that provides crisis intervention services and prevention programs to Guam’s youth.

“As an athlete, health advocate and Big Brother, I always push boundaries where I see potential. I’ve decided to bike across America for the Big Brothers Big Sisters Foundation because I see the opportunity to send a positive message to all about the power of believing in yourself, and more so, about believing that you can be a positive influence for others.” –Joseph Husslein

“It was a fun time setting up the relay race and a good fundraiser for youth mentoring programs.” –Giles Plyler ‘14
A new initiative on campus is the requirement for each student to participate in at least one cultural event per year. With musical concerts always on the docket, this isn’t a difficult requirement to fill, but the idea is for students to set aside the usual rock concert mindset and attend an event slightly outside of their comfort zone like an opera or a play. Each student, upon completion of his requirement fills out an assessment sheet. Below are a few quotes from students:

**Doc Watson Concert:**
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On Saturday, January 15, students served as ushers at the 30th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer breakfast—one of the largest in the country—at the Grove Park Inn. The event included music, speakers and distinguished guests such as keynote speaker Donna Brazile, Senator Kay Hagan, Rep. Health Shuler, and Asheville’s Mayor Terry M. Bellamy.

On Monday, our school began the day in Chapel where Father Kirk Brown shared a personal story of how, as a reluctant 14-year old in 1968, he attended a service at the National Cathedral with his family and listened to what would be Dr. King’s last Sunday sermon.

Activities Director Travis Harris encouraged us to think about the message from one of Dr. King’s sermons, “If you want to be important, wonderful. If you want to be recognized, wonderful. If you want to be great, wonderful. But recognize that he who is greatest among you shall be your servant. That’s your new definition of greatness.”

Seniors Gabe Dunsmith and Chris Krolak urged their classmates to embrace service; to “engage in learning outside the classroom. Because so much of learning is what you can apply to your own life.” Gabe offered, “Chris, Mrs. Mahoney and I are always looking for new ways to engage students in service. Spiritual growth is an important cornerstone to life.”

Oralene Simmons, Chair of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Association and of the Celebration Planning Committee stood in the front of the church and called the roll of order for the MLK March. She proclaimed...

“The students of Christ School will be first.”
of service. When you reach out, you expand your boundaries and realize that you have a moral and ethical commitment to give of yourself.”

Olga Mahoney, Director of Service Learning, asked the students to journey through the day dedicated to service with an open mind and, more importantly, an open heart and encouraged them to find a cause to support. Students were engaged in compelling presentations by the most prominent community assistance agencies in Asheville. They learned about local and global issues affecting the area: homelessness, hunger, lack of access to education, animal abuse and abandonment, access to the legal system and pollution of our environment.

Coach Travis Harris, with the senior class and their advisors, participated in the MLK March in Asheville and served hot chocolate to the public at City/County Plaza. They also staffed the canned goods donation bins for MANNA FoodBank. They were publicly recognized by the community for their service.

The day ended with a schoolwide meeting to reflect and celebrate the school’s commitment to service. The students expressed many ideas for addressing and alleviating some of the issues affecting our community. We at Christ School honored Martin Luther King Jr. by asking ourselves what he said was life’s most urgent and persistent question, “What are we doing for others?”

“Today we hail not only African-American rights, but the ongoing struggle for civil and human rights in the United States and elsewhere. This is not just a day to reflect. This is a day to engage, reach out a hand, clean a stream with RiverLink, help animals with the Asheville humane society, distribute food with MANNA FoodBank, and promote peace and humanitarian service with Rotary International.

“Today, the youth of Christ School step up to the plate. Today, for the first time in our 111-year history, we have set aside Martin Luther King, Jr. Day to go out into the community or to learn what we can do to make the world a better, healthier, more balanced place. We as students can step up to the plate, make our own initiatives, and be the drive behind change in our world.”

– Gabe Dunsmith ’11
Fall Sports Wrap-up

MVPs and MIPs (left to right): Sam Maxwell ’11, Zach Mitchell ’12, Mat Martin ’11, Colby Moore ’11, David Shaw ’11, Charles Dickey ’12, Thomas Beard ’12, Kyle Husslein ’14.

Soccer—*Head Coach Guy Campbell ’00*

Thomas Beard ’12 Co-Captain, Co-Most Valuable Player, All-Conference, Asheville Citizen-Times All WNC Selection

David Shaw ’11 Co-Captain, Co-Most Valuable Player, All-Conference, All-State, Asheville Citizen-Times All WNC Selection, Conference Player of the Year

Colby Moore ’11 Most Improved Player

Steffen Geyer ’13 All-Conference

Joaquin Berbiela ’11 All-Conference

Football—*Head Coach John Hooker*

Mat Martin ’11 Most Valuable Player, All-Conference, Oasis Shrine Bowl Selection

Sam Martin ’12 Most Outstanding Lineman, All-Conference, All-State, Asheville Citizen-Times All WNC

Zach Mitchell ’12 Most Improved Player

Sam Maxwell ’11 George Sarrell Courage Award, All-Conference

Cross Country—*Head Coach Doug Embler*

Kyle Husslein ’14 Most Valuable, CAA All-Conference

Charles Dickey ’12 Most Improved Runner

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Football meets soccer: Mat Martin ’11 congratulates Kimu Elolia ’11 on the win.

Alumni Council’s Asheville School Game Awards

George Berger ’83, President of the Alumni Council, was on campus in January to present the second annual Asheville School Game Awards to the offensive and defensive players of the game as voted by the football coaching staff. This year’s recipients (pictured here with George Berger) are offensive player of the game Charles Beale ’13 (Arden, NC) and for the second consecutive year, defensive player of the game Sam Martin ’12 (Weaverville, NC). The framed photographs presented to the players of the game are made possible by a program developed and funded by the 2010-2011 Alumni Council.
Varsity Soccer

This soccer season, 23 able players competed for time on the pitch. Often on high school teams it is the norm to have a few good players and to ‘fill in’ the rest. Coach Guy Campbell ’00 had great senior leadership from David Shaw, Vincent Draddy, Robbie Wiggins, Chris Krolak, Colby Moore, Kimu Elolia, Emilio Gastelu, Derrick Pace and Joaquin Berbiela. They worked hard over the years to finish their high school careers as Conference Champs.

“This was my first year as a coach and these guys will always be “my” players to me. I’m sure I’ll enjoy other teams but it will be hard to top this year’s team.”

– Coach Guy Campbell ’00

Key players returning next year are Daniel Shaw ’13, Steffen Geyer ’13, Eason Warren ’13, Jack Pace ’14, Sam Elmer ’13, Thomas Beard ’12, Kelton Lastein ’12, George Ibrahim ’12, Chris White ’12, Zach Richardson-Bull ’12, Forest Koenigsburg ’13 and Tyler Smith ’12. Coaches Campbell and Young will rely on them to continue putting CS Soccer on the map.

The offense this year was lead by Captain David Shaw (31 goals, 12 assists) and Joaquin Berbiela (12 goals, 4 assists). Derrick Pace, hampered by injuries all year, missed only one game. George Ibrahim was the go-to player, and Emilio Gastelu’s work ethic in practice spurred teammates to be better players.

The midfield, led by senior Kimu Elolia, was the key to team success. Sophomores Daniel Shaw, Steffen Geyer, Eason Warren and Sam Elmer and freshman Jack Pace rounded out the talented starting midfield. Daniel Shaw and Steffen Geyer ran the midfield and Rardin Clower and Vincent Draddy’s leadership on and off the field helped keep the midfield fresh.

Defense was led by Captain and goalkeeper, Thomas Beard. Seniors Colby Moore, Robby Wiggins and Chris Krolak and juniors Zach Richardson-Bull, Kelton Lastein and Christian Katzenmeier helped Thomas post a 1.04 Goals Against Per Game Average. These players, with Chris White, Tyler Smith and Forest Koenigsburg, made it difficult for other teams to score.

“Coach Ben Young and I can’t express how proud we are of this team and all they accomplished this year. If every team we coach in the future is anything like this year’s team, then CS Soccer will be very good for years to come. A stat that shouldn’t be understated is our goal differential of 70 goals for and 25 goals against. We scored nearly three times as often as other teams which shows this team’s ability to dominate the competition.”

Guy Campbell ’00 in his first year as the head varsity coach led the team to an 18-5-1 record and a berth in the 3-A NCISAA Playoffs.

Goalie Thomas Beard ’12 was a Captain and Co-MVP.

Sister school, St. Mary’s, hosted their inaugural Saints Challenge soccer game. Christ School beat Woodberry Forest 2-0 in the Raleigh match. After the game the students from the three schools had dinner and a mixer.

Saints Challenge Champs!

Left: Captain and Co-MVP, David Shaw ’11
The 2010 football campaign was a tale of two seasons for the Greenies. Led by six seniors: Mat Martin, Sam Maxwell, Spence Taylor, Justin Carmichael, Jordan Farquharson and Zach Stiles, the varsity squad, under Head Coach Dr. John Hooker, made significant strides that culminated in an exciting come from behind victory over Asheville School in “The Game” (34 – 21).

The first part of the fall season saw growing pains for the football program as a blend of old and new talent began to forge a common bond. The second half of the season saw the fruition of all the hard work the team had done and Christ School finished the regular season with three straight wins. The Greenies qualified for the state tournament, but were defeated by Westminster Catawba in the first round.

All-State linebacker and CS Most Valuable Lineman selection, Sam Martin, led the way on defense and led the conference in total tackles. All-Conference selections were Sam Maxwell, Mat Martin and Sam Martin. Mat Martin, the team’s MVP, was selected to play in the 2010 Shrine Bowl for North Carolina. Zach Mitchell provided tough running from the fullback position and was selected the team’s Most Improved Player.

With several starters returning and a blend of new faces being added to the mix, Christ School football has a firm foundation on which to build for the coming 2011 campaign and beyond.
Coach Doug Embler and Assistant Brian Higgins had a good talent pool with the 18 students who came out to run for Christ School in the fall. Cross Country is an individual sport, but the better each runner finishes the better the team does overall. The team worked hard in practice, improved individual times greatly over the course of the season, and were competitive against some of the best teams in the state.

As a team, Christ School placed second in the Rabun Gap invitational and placed fifth overall in the conference. The varsity team this year consisted of very talented runners including: Conner Stemple ’11, Gabe Dunsmith ’11, Bob Nelson ’11, Kyle Husslein ’14, Charles Dickey ’12, Mike Robbins ’11, Ray Yang ’12 and Vince Chen ’12.

In his second year with the team, Kyle Husslein earned The Scott Sylvester Most Valuable Runner Award, and Charles Dickey earned the Reed Finlay Most Improved Runner award.

Above: Charles Dickey out in front at the Christ School Invitational.

Right Kyle Husslein, MVP
The fall Outdoor Program got off to a fast start with 7 of the 13 participants returning from previous seasons. Led by senior Dylan DeGraw, and aided by Chandler Ding ’12, Jonathan Yung ’12, Nick England ’13, Robbie Mangone ’13, David Miller ’12, and Doug Piercy ’14, this group spearheaded an exciting paddling program. In addition to the French Broad, they paddled the upper portion of the nationally-known Green River and Wilson’s Creek near Grandfather Mountain. The group began hoping for rainy days to swell the rivers for better paddling.

The new participants: Giles Plyler ’14, Harden Perry ’15, Brandon Navon ’14, Rex Qiu ’12, Mark Humble ’14 and Jack Fleming ’15 quickly became avid paddlers and soon we were going to the rivers twice a week. The Outdoor Program took a weekend trip to the National Whitewater Center in Charlotte. For an entire day we got to mountain bike and paddle the challenging courses in the circular man-made whitewater river. The day was spent repeating the route, each time learning more about the power of the river and how to use it to our advantage instead of letting it get the best of us... which did happen, but generally only once to each paddler. The Whitewater Center is a “trial by fire” type of course. No matter

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— Henry David Thoreau (Walden: Or, Life in the Woods)
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In addition to the group’s paddling forays, we did our annual downhill biking at Snowshoe Resort and our traditional blueberry pancake hike out to Shining Rock Wilderness area. We returned this year to return to the Guest Appreciation Festival (The GAF) at the Nantahala Outdoor Center and on the same trip paddled the very cold but very famous Nantahala River and Nantahala Falls.

Christ School tried a new camping area this year, Cataloochee Valley, a little-known corner of the Smoky Mountain National Park. It is one of the few locations in the country where the National Park system has successfully built up a herd of elk. The group secured a spot together and explored the self-sustaining valley that many years ago was the home to numerous families; several homes and farms remain. While we were there, half the group hiked in the lower valley floor while a much more aggressive group attempted the trek up the mountains to the Appalachian Trail and Mt. Sterling. Led by Mr. Mohney, this group accomplished their goal, but Mr. Mohney and Harden Perry were the only ones to hike the extra three miles back to the camp site...a 20 mile day.

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Winter Season Varsity Team Honors

Basketball—Head Coach David Gaines ’84
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TD Dixon ’11 All-Conference
Rob Gray ’12 All-Conference
Damarcus Harrison ’11 Co-MVP, All-Conference Player of the Year, NCISAA All-State
Marshall Plumlee ’11 Co-MVP, All-Conference, NCISAA All-State, McDonald’s All-American, Asheville Citizen-Times All-Western NC 1st Team, 2011 North Carolina Gatorade Player of the Year

Swimming—Head Coach Andrew Gyves
Jones Hussey ’14 Most Improved Swimmer
Carson Meyer ’11 All-Conference, Co-Most Valuable Swimmer
Richard Walden Mull ’11 Co-Most Valuable Swimmer

Wrestling—Head Coach Bruce Stender
Sam Grabenstein ’15 Most Improved Wrestler
Tripp Mann ’11 Most Valuable Wrestler

The Christ School Ski and Snowboard Team’s 2010-2011 season was yet another memorable one! CS Snow finished the season strong with 5th place finishes for each team. The young men competed against 17 other area high schools at the Cataloochee Ski Resort in Maggie Valley, NC every Wednesday night for eight weeks. Both teams were able to climb higher into the standings after each race, and 2nd and 3rd place weekly finishes became the routine for the snowboarders.

More than half of the CS ski and snowboard members finished in the top 25 after every race. This was out of more than 150 total racers in the league. Coach Daniel McCauley said “I am quite proud of the dedication and hard work by all members this past season. We look forward to more success next year! A special thanks to parent Andrew Nagle and chemistry teacher Jude Clapper for all their continued support.”

Ski Team Members - Henry Nagle ’11, Joaquin Berbiela ’11, Tal Stephanides ’14, Charles Dickey ’12, Cole Curtis ’14

Snowboard Team Members - Zach Richardson-Bull ’12, Reid Williams ’11, George Wolfram ’11, Alex Biggs ’14, Giles Plyler ’14, Davis Jones ’12

Coaches - Jeremy Stump, Daniel McCauley

Winter 2011
**Varsity Wrestling**

The Greenie wrestlers had a great year, culminating at the NCISAA State Tournament. The team’s success can be attributed to outstanding senior leadership and participation by 13 wrestlers in a pre-season “open mat” program during the fall season. The team earned a second place finish in the Christ School Invitational and fourth place at the Cardinal Newman Christmas Classic. The match record for the season was 12-12 as all 25 wrestlers saw varsity competition and the team recorded 62 pins. At the season-ending State Tournament, seniors Tripp Mann (135) and Jon Meidl (145) each reached the finals and earned their 2nd place finishes. Frost Parker ’11 (140) placed third, while Jay Watson ’12 (152) had a fourth place finish. Coaches Bruce Stender, Dan Chase and Trevor Thornton are looking forward to even greater accomplishments next year as the team is already planning their summer camps at Appalachian State and Penn State.

**Varsity Swimming**

Christ School swimming enjoyed another strong season of continuous improvement as the boys battled to set and shatter their personal records. Coaches Andrew Gyves, Vance Brown, and Amy Fleming (former world record holder in the 200 Medley Relay, and mother of swimmer Jack Fleming ’15) worked with fourteen talented young men over the four-month season. As their individual times came down, the boys proved time and again that they could compete with any team in the CAA conference.

The boys posted multiple first and second place finishes throughout the season, and earned a respectable third place finish at the CAA Conference Meet, hosted at Mars Hill College. Their conference meet performance was driven by second place finishes in the 200 and 500 Free events by senior Connor Stemple, a second place finish in the 100 Fly by senior Richard Walden Mull, and a first place finish in the 50 Free by Carson Meyer ’11, which earned him placement on the All-Conference Team.

Seven of the boys earned their way to the NCISSA 3A State Meet where seniors Carson Meyer (50 Free, 100 Free), Richard Walden Mull (50 Free, 100 Fly), and Connor Stemple (500 Free) competed in the finals and posted multiple new personal bests. The team also had an impressive performance in the 200 Free Relay where freshman swimmer Will White stepped up to help the team to a 1:37.36 finish (8th place of 16 teams).

“The boys have a lot to be proud of,” said Coach Gyves, adding, “though we will graduate – and miss – five of our most experienced boys this spring, we have tremendous talent in our underclassmen, and are looking forward to another successful season in 2011-12.”

Coach Gyves checks the schedule with seniors Richard Walden Mull (left) and Carson Meyer.
The Christ School basketball program hadn’t lost five games in one season since the 2005-2006 season, but Coach David Gaines ’84 knew this year’s schedule might have been the toughest he’d ever confronted. Turns out, the “battle tested” Greenies were up for the challenge of winning three games in three days to complete yet another successful defense of their State Championship by defeating Charlotte Christian 59-57 in the title game. The Greenies finished with a record of 32-5, their 5 losses coming at the hands of teams that were nationally ranked by all the major polls, and included Oak Hill, Mater Dei (CA) and Dwyer HS (FL). The Greenies, who won 18 of their last 19 games, were led by three seniors, all of whom have signed with Division I programs. Marshall Plumlee, completing his four year career with a record of 135-10 and four State Championships, has signed with Duke. Damarcus Harrison, like Marshall, was named to the All-State team, and will attend Brigham Young University in the fall. T.D. Dixon won his third State Title, was named All-Conference, and will play for Bobby Cremins at the College of Charleston.

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This year’s State Tournament was played in Asheville, so the Christ School fan base was able to enjoy the first two games at home. The Greenies beat High Point Wesleyan, 81-61 in the quarter finals and they beat Rabun Gap 73-62 in the semi-finals. Christ School got super performances from their junior backcourt of Corban Collins and Rob Gray. Junior Zach Korkowski, from Williamsburg, VA, returned from an injury to play crucial minutes in the tournament and sophomore, Justin Dotson, from Clemson, SC, played a major role off the bench. Justin, at 6’3” can play all three guard positions. Coach Gaines was very proud of how the team responded to the loss of junior Will Weeks in late December to a foot injury. “Will was arguably, our best player through the first 17 games of the season. He was averaging 14 points and 13 rebounds per game and at 6’6” and 230 pounds he was a true force inside for us. Marshall, Damarcus and TD decided that this setback wasn’t going to derail our seasonal goals, they were awesome! One of my favorite quotes is, ‘handling success is often as hard as achieving it.’ When Will was lost for the season, I’m sure other teams thought this was their chance to knock us off the top, our players responded, making this championship, that much sweeter.”

Marshall follows in the footsteps of older brother Mason, now at Duke, by being named a McDonald’s All-American. Marshall will travel to Chicago in late March to participate in the McDonald’s All-American game, which will be played at the United Center, the game will be televised live on ESPN, Wednesday, March 30th at 10 pm. Marshall ends his Christ School career as the School’s All-Time Leader in Rebounds (850) and Block Shots (250). He will also participate in the Regional Jordan Brand game in Charlotte in April. Marshall is a Senior Prefect and serves as the leader of the Christ School Honor Council.
Alumni Feature:  
Shannon Allison ’79

A Dentist with a Cause

Alumnus and alumni parent Shannon Allison ’79 is a dentist from Mandeville, Louisiana who for fifteen years has volunteered his dental knowledge to train the medics of remote and dangerous Burma to do their own dental work. He works with an organization called the Free Burma Rangers which is dedicated to the physical and spiritual health of the ethnic hill tribes of Burma, renamed Myanmar in 1989.

Burma 2011:

I will be in Burma in January and beginning of February of 2011. My portion of the mission is very small— it is to train indigenous medics to do dental work to include fillings and extractions. This allows them to take care of their own people, and not rely on someone from the outside to meet their needs. The situation continues to deteriorate for the ethnics. I must sneak in through Thailand and walk for about one week to link up with the rest of the Free Burma Rangers already doing their mission work. The enemy is everywhere. Lives all around are at risk. If the Burma Army catches us, death is the penalty. The indigenous guides would lay their lives down for me to prevent this from happening. There are no roads, running water or electricity. The groups of people either live in small villages or on the jungle floor, running for their lives. The specter of the Burma Army lives with them daily. Any village can be attacked at any time with little or no warning. Their life without hope is not a life. Please pray for these people of Burma and the Free Burma Rangers as they bring help and hope to these forgotten people.

My History:

I have been doing dental mission work in Burma since 1996. The situation and terrain are brutal. For me, the typical mission takes between five and seven weeks and about 20 pounds of weight loss. I am Shannon Allison, a dentist and a 1979 graduate of Christ School. My brother Lynch was in the Class of 1981, and Tony was Class of 1983. My son Brandon was Class of 2010 and Conner, my youngest will be attending Christ School this fall as a ninth grader.

After graduating from LSU School of Dentistry in 1988, I entered the US Army spending from 1988-1992 on active duty. During my time on active duty I was able to be a part of the Special Forces community; having graduated the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1989 and spent the remainder of my active time with the 3rd Special Forces Group; deploying with them to Operation Desert Storm.

I met David Eubank at the Qualification Course. The same time I left active duty, Dave left and attended seminary at Fuller Theological Seminary. It was there that he had the calling for Burma. Dave was a true Special Operations soldier, having served in the Ranger Battalion prior to his Special Forces assignment. His parents are long time missionaries in neighboring Thailand, which molded his love for the people in that area.
“I must sneak in through Thailand and walk for about one week to link up with the rest of the Free Burma Rangers already doing their mission work. The enemy is everywhere. Lives all around are at risk. If the Burma Army catches us, death is the penalty.”

Dave is now a full time missionary in Burma. He is married with 3 young children. He spends about eight months out of the year in Burma with the remaining time in Thailand. Dave serves God with a passion that I have never seen before. Dave is the founder of the Free Burma Rangers, an organization dedicated to the spiritual and physical health of the Internally Displaced Peoples of Burma. His mission has grown from a core group of 5 to about 250. His group has trained 53 teams to bring hope to the areas they work. Each team consists of a medic, pastor, recorder and soldier to protect them as they do their work. Their goal is to not only treat the population, but to also protect. The team cannot leave an area unless all the villagers are able to flee from the dictatorship’s army. To understand the current situation requires some history.

A Few Details about Burmese History:

Burma is located in Southeast Asia between Thailand and India and south of China. The ethnic makeup of Burma is 60% Burman and 40% ethnics. The ethnics are made up of predominately hill tribes who live in the mountainous area on the Thai-Burma border and the ethnic Burmans living in the central and south plains. The internal conflict began in 1948. Burma was a colony of Britain and was a key landmass during World War 2 (WW II). The Japanese were moving west from Japan through China and into Burma. The Burmans sided with the Japanese, wanting to get out from the rule of the Brits. The ethnics fought with the allies. At the end of World War 2, the ethnics were promised their own independent states for their aid to the allies. This did not happen; when Britain pulled out, self determination was proclaimed.

The conflict between the ethnically different people started as distrust in 1948 but escalated to war in 1963 when General Ne Win attempted to socialize the country. It was under Ne Win’s regime when Burma became an isolationist country. Burma has gone through a series of dictators since then. Currently the military junta in charge is headed by General Than Shwe. In 1989 elections were held and the popular vote went to Aung San Suu Kye. She was never allowed to take the presidency. She also won the Nobel Peace Prize for her stand against the regime in a peaceful manner. The oppression of the ethnics continues under the current regime. Elections in November of 2010 brought about no change, with the junta allowing only their candidates to run for office.
Alumni Gatherings

Washington, D.C.

This past fall Dr. John Schnorrenberg ’49 and Peter Gartrell ’01 organized an evening event for Christ School alumni at the Majestic Café in Historic Alexandria, Virginia. In addition to the work that John and Peter did to set up the event, Clefton Davidson ‘98, and Max Snider ’08 also helped recruit fellow CS alumni to attend the dinner. Although a few alumni had to cancel at the last minute, a dozen Christ School gentlemen representing classes from the 40s, 50s, 70s, 80s, 90s and 00s were able to get together and tell stories about their time in Arden and to also hear from Director of External Affairs Denis Stokes as well as Director of Alumni Eric Thorp ’01, about the state of the school today. It was a great evening and we look forward to getting together again soon in the Washington, DC or Northern Virginia area!

New Orleans, LA

In November, the Christ School New Orleans family gathered once again at the home of Ron and Sally Forman (parents of McLain ’10) for an evening all about Christ School. The Formans along with Tony and Margie Benjamin (parents of Tony ’10) hosted a wonderful event.

Pictured above with Headmaster Paul Krieger are Scott Geary ’00, Eric Thorp ’01, Andrew Block ’03 and Ross Kantor ’01.
High Point University—This fall, Eric Thorp ’01 stopped by High Point University and had lunch with a group of Greenie alums. Currently enrolled at High Point are (R to L) Nathan Ruffin ’07, Thomas Belk ’08, Kyle Hurr ’07, Sean Scott ’08 and Ross Weathersbee ’10. Joe Wheeless ’04 (left) currently works at HPU in the Greek Life Office and was able to join us for lunch as well.

This past fall, Columbia area alumni hosted the varsity basketball team for dinner and then joined the team at the University of South Carolina vs. Elon University basketball game. Playing in the game were five Christ School alumni, Malik Cooke ’07, Lakeem Jackson ’09 and Eric Smith ’10 playing for the USC Gamecocks and Sebastian Koch ’10 and Lucas Troutman ’10 in the maroon and gold for Elon. Thank you all of our Columbia area alumni for their support of both our current CS team as well as our alumni at South Carolina!!

Greensboro, NC

This past fall in Greensboro, current Duke University student-athletes Miles ’08 and Mason ’09 Plumlee and Aaron Ingle ’08, currently at Wake Forest, spoke to alumni and friends about playing basketball at the Division 1 level in the ACC. The boys spoke about how their experience at Christ School helped prepare them for the rigors of being a student-athlete on an elite level as well as the strong ties they still have with Christ School, especially their classmates. Aaron, Mason and Miles are pictured here with Tom and Nancy Beard ’51.

Columbia, SC
he ancient beauty and unique homey feel are the first things to strike visitors to St. Andrews, Scotland. The old buildings lining the streets and the occasional church steeple alert the visitor that they are in an ancient and special place. St. Andrews is not only a golfing tourist town featuring one of the most famous golf courses in the world. It is an amazing place with many different things to offer including The University of St. Andrews.

The University of St. Andrews, which I attend, started in 1413, and the entire school is proud of the approaching 600th anniversary. Classroom buildings are rustic on the outside but renovated with the newest and best in educational technology. Students take three classes that each meet three days a week. This leaves lots of time for studying and plenty of time for playing golf. The population of the town is a mere 16,000 people with 8,000 of those being University students. Because of this high student-to-local ratio, the town and University are very highly integrated.

I am very fortunate with my student-housing situation. My dorm is positioned on the cliff-line of the North Sea, which borders one side of the town. The room has a full ocean view, and the fresh breeze of the ocean is only a windowpane away. On the other hand the “breeze” off the ocean is rarely a breeze, typically nothing short of gale force winds in the winter! It is a short three-minute walk from the St. Andrews Old Course and the six other St. Andrews golf courses. The dorm, St Salvators Hall (affectionately called Sallies), was built in 1930, but would appear to have been built in mid 19th century.

Golfing is made readily available to the students, and it is hard to not have an appreciation for the game when walking past the Old Course daily on the way to class. Student golf passes allow unlimited golf on any of the seven courses for an entire year. This is an opportunity that is unmatched anywhere else in the world. Students also qualify for the “local” tee times, which are highly sought after during tourist season.

Golfing at St. Andrews has led to interesting meetings and connections. I have personally played with everyone from tourists and local Scots, to Arnold Palmer’s dentist and a member of the Portuguese royal family. Due to these connections, I will be marshalling on the 18th green at the 2011 Open Championship this year at Royal St. George’s golf club.

I couldn’t be happier with my decision to attend the University of St. Andrews! Where else in the world do you wake up to sunrise over the North Sea, attend morning classes, and then play an afternoon golf round on the legendary Old Course? The only place that could match St. Andrews’ sense of community and closeness is Christ School. I graduated from the one hundred and eleven year old school and moved to the six hundred year old. I traded South Carolina house for Sallies Hall and I swapped the Christ School Chapel for the Swilcan Bridge and the famed R&A building. I’m extremely happy with my choice, and I wouldn’t have made the decision had it not been for Christ School.
1936
JD Jones ’36 – The CS family wanted to send good wishes to JD Jones ’36, one of our ultimate Greenies. Know we miss seeing you on campus, and know that famous sense of humor is in place!

1941
Edgar H. (Ned) Simmons ’41 is hoping to be in Arden during alumni weekend this year. He is the last of the prefects in his class and he will be celebrating his 70th year.

1943
Charles W. (Buddy) Hancock ’43 returned to campus this fall with his daughter, Libby. It was great having him on the sidelines, a true “Greenie” cheering on his team!

1944

1945
David McCullough ’45 – Congratulations to David and his wife, Ann, who celebrated 50 years of marriage this past year.

1945
Tom Seitz ’45 – “Jan and I have just visited Doug Jarnigan and his wife Sarah. They have moved into the same retirement development that we moved into last August. We moved only 21/2 miles from our former home. They moved here from Lakeland, FL. What a coincidence that there were two alumni from CS here in this small retirement development!!!! Doug and I reminisced about CS while Sarah and Jan got acquainted. We look forward to more visits in the days ahead.”

As an Episcopal priest, Tom currently supplies at Holy Trinity, Bartow, FL while they conduct their clergy search. Jan attends Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Lake Wales where their son, Tom, Jr. ’70 is the rector. “We enjoy keeping up with the Plumlee boys at Duke.”

Buddy Hancock ’43 congratulates Headmaster Paul Krieger on the win over Asheville School.

1943
George McAden ’43 came by campus in December when he was in the area with his LA-based son Graham, a Marketing Development Director with Harrah’s.

George McAden ’43, Director of Communication Linda Cluxton and Graham McAden

1945
Tom Seitz ’45 congratulates Headmaster Paul Krieger on the win over Asheville School.

1950
George Kimberly ’50 sent in the above photo from Alumni Weekend of four of the five classmates attending. “The missing classmate was Pete Norris who recently died. We all had dinner Friday but were so busy reuniting we forgot to take the picture. But we remember the fun and interest.”
Remembering Mr. Darsie

– by Rick Woodell ‘68

The following are excerpts taken from a story written by Rick Woodell ’68 about former Christ School math teacher Chuck Darsie. The entire article was too long to print in the Magazine, but contains wonderful memories of this famed member of Christ School academic history.

To read the full article, please go to the Alumni Section of the Christ School website.

He could have achieved anything he wished. He could have chosen any profession, and have been successful and well respected in it. What made him give thirty years of his life to Christ School? He could have been a tremendous success in the private sector! I think it is because unlike me, he had the big picture in mind. I also think he understood what true success really was! You see, when you give your life to a place such as Christ School, you can gain something no other profession can give you—a crack at immortality!

It was the fall of 1962. I had just arrived on campus at Christ School as a brand new First Former, wet behind my ears, trying to get my bearings. I had not formally met him yet, but already I felt a high comfort level in his presence. Just about my father’s age, he very much reminded me of my father’s friends in the business world and the academic community. I could see him as a success in either or both venues.

His level of knowledge was intimidating, even frightening, to a youngster not ever a teenager. But temperamentally, he was not the type of man to command fear (only in extreme cases!). But he always commanded our respect! A modest man, with cultured and reserved manners, he never flaunted his intellect.

You would never want to face him across a chessboard. He held the title of “Grandmaster” in that game. But he’d be the first man you’d yell for if you were lost in the woods. What he knew could save your life: Like navigation skills, like knowing the names of everything that grew out of the ground—which mushrooms were safe to eat—and those that could kill you!

1950
Robert Rivers Harris ’50 joined the Classics faculty at the University of Georgia in 1963 and has been there for 48 years. “He has won teaching awards too numerous to mention and is one of the most sought after teachers on campus. He is a unique and irreplaceable Classics professor and with his bow tie, straw boater and shock of white hair, a most memorable one as well.”

1951
Graham Sale ’51 moved from Southern California back to North Carolina, more specifically Arden, just down the road from Christ School’s campus.

1953
Sam Hutchinson ’53 emailed the school and let us know; “I am recouping from one knee replacement during the snowstorm plagued winter in Massachusetts. Happy NewYear to those I am usually able to send a seasonal card.”

1955
Robert Shuford ’55 is Chairman of the Board for Old Point Financial Corporation, Hampton, Virginia. One of his children, Rob, a Duke graduate, has taken note of his father’s prep school alma mater’s contribution to Duke basketball.

1958
Paul Clemenceau ’58 recently wrote to his classmate Stan Gibson, “We are now empty nesters as both sons are in college; one at Texas A&M and the other at Millsaps. Having just completed a major construction project at our home we are now ready to do some traveling, primarily in France and Italy but also in the states. Lisa and I were just in far west Texas hunting quail and touring Big Bend National Park and we got back last night. I expect we will do more of that sort of stuff now that we have time.”

1958
Reed Finlay ’58 and Lucretia have announced another stunning line-up of European adventures. Check their website, www.reedfinlaytraveladventures.com.

1959
Eli Mitchell ’59 of Knoxville, TN published a book with fellow psychologist Dr. John Hoover. “The Elders Speak: Two...
Psychologists Share Their Lifetimes of Experience” became available in October. It’s a collection of short essays, dialogues and stories detailing their experiences as psychologists, the people they met and the ways in which they changed through their patients. Eli wrote, “It has received a “good press” so far (see Amazon review) and sales are coming along. He was recently invited to a book signing in Asheville at Malaprops Bookstore/Café.

On a more personal note, Eli’s wife Lucy colluded with one of his Duke SAE fraternity brothers to obtain tickets to jump up and down in Cameron Stadium with blue painted faces when Duke played Clemson on March 2nd.

1962
Albert Morrill Bruns ’62 wrote “I am retired. I pursue my interests and research, walk, hike, bicycle, and ride my motor scooter.”

1964
Rick Rodgers ’64 is working with the Alumni Council to set up a digital audio or video mini-studio where the alumni could go (in private or in studio format) to do “reminiscences about their life at Christ School during the Mesoproterozoic Period.”

1966
Tom Ballou ’66 is vice president for Purchasing & Investment Management for a privately held steel company, O’Neal, in Birmingham, Alabama. Tom is in his 26th year with the company.

1966
Mac Ramsay ’66 lives in Jamestown, North Carolina with his wife and is a collector of vintage Porsches.

1966
Jack Riter ’66 retired in 2010 from Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc. (Insurance). He is keeping busy with birding, amateur astronomy and bonsai trees. Their son, Rob, teaches high school English in Japan.

1967
Virginius Cullum Rogers ’67 wrote that he “just stepped down as Sec.-Treasurer of the Association of American Editorial Cartoonists (AAEC) after 12 years. Have been contributing editorial cartoons to the Independent weekly in Durham since 1997. Have just started a website of my work: vcrogers.com”

1968
Charles H. “Bruce” Woodward ’68 published an article in the Bohemian Club Library Notes titled “Remember the Pueblo.” This article about his father, Lieutenant General Gilbert H. “Woody” Woodward, retells the story of the pivotal role Woodward played in freeing the crew of the Pueblo from North Korean capture.

1969
Hardy Fowler ’69 is a retired partner, KPMG, living in New Orleans with his family.

1969
Kit White ’69 is an artist, www.kitwhiteart.com, splitting his time between Manhattan and Ancramdale, NY. He’s on the faculty at Parsons School of Design and has an upcoming art exhibit in West Virginia, not far from the family farm where he grew up.

1971
Robert Rumsey ’71 wrote that he is still practicing pathology in Lake Charles and has three daughters.

1977
Brian Pecheles ’77 keeps adding dealerships to their collection of automobile dealerships in Greenville, North Carolina. His son returned not long ago from a study program in South Africa.

1978
Colley Bell ’78 is headmaster of an independent day school, Nansemond-Suffolk Academy, in Suffolk, Virginia, where he and his wife live with their third grade daughter.

1978
Heyward Horton ’78 is in economic development with the Charleston Regional Development Association.

1980
Larry Burton ’80 stopped by the campus. He lives in Charlotte and tries to stop in whenever he can when he is in the area. Larry has a wife, Cindy and two sons, Robert, 14 and John, 12. When Larry stopped by he went inside the renovated Chapel for the first time.

1980
Edward Pritchard ’80 is doing well practicing law in Charleston. His oldest son is a second year midshipman at Annapolis, while his other two children attend Episcopal H.S., Alexandria, Virginia.
1981
Robert Stolz '81 and his wife, Anne, have a new Greenie... Robert Stolz, Jr. is in the Class of 2013.

1983
Chip Hemingway '83 is finishing up his Jennette’s Pier project in Nags Head for the North Carolina Aquariums. It is anticipated to be a LEED Platinum project. Chip also received a Tower Award from the North Carolina American Institute of Architects Design for his Oregon Inlet Life Saving Station on the Outer Banks.

Chip’s nephew George Wood has been accepted to the Class of 2015 at Christ School... love those legacies!

1986
In November, Mikell Leland ’86 and his family came by the school for a visit on their way to a Thanksgiving retreat at their family’s Cashiers home. Mikell said he particularly wanted his 12-year-old son to see the campus. They also toured the Greenie Dome and stocked up on Greenieware at the Bookstore.

1987
Mark Connors ’87 is a yacht broker in Norfolk, Virginia, where he and his wife and two daughters live.

1987
Richard Rieger '87 of Columbia, SC writes... “Keeping busy with work, family & Gamecock football!”

1987
Andy Taylor ’87 lives in Washington, DC and is Managing Principal of Political Alpha. Having done his undergraduate work at Duke, he loves the Christ School – Duke connection and enjoys basketball season even more now that the Plumlees (Miles, CS’09; Mason, CS’10; and Marshall, CS’11) are a part of the team.

1988
Benjamin Lewis ’88 writes that he: “Lives in Richmond, VA with wife, Michelle, daughters, Maggie (8) and Ellen (4). He is the principal blender for Altris Client Service Smokeless Tobacco Product Development supporting Philip Morris USA & U.S. Tobacco Company.”

1988
Gig Palmer ’89 is an investment banker living in New York City. He’s proud of the direction in which his prep school alma mater is heading and thinks that basketball, with bright students and talented athletes, has been a great strategy to build awareness for Christ School.

1990
Wes Brooks ’90 emailed to us, “My wife Shane and I have been married for nine years and we have a seven-year old son named Campbell. I am the Development Coordinator at the DuBard School for Language Disorders at The University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, MS where we have also lived for over ten years. My wife is a Cardiovascular Radiology Technician at Forrest General Hospital. I enjoy spending time with my family, playing music with my band, my job is truly rewarding, we are members of Westminster Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), and I belong to various civic organizations.”

1991
Clé Dabezies ’91 is a vice president with First NBC Bank living in New Orleans with his family.

1991
John Knapp ’91 and his wife Pam announced the birth of their first child, Sarah Dayden Knapp, born in January of 2011.

1992
Trenholm Palmer ’92 is in the insurance business, CMR & Associates, international consultants, living in Manhattan. He recently returned from a surfing trip to the Dominican Republic.

1994
Drew Hyche ’94 and his wife Mary Kinsey are expecting the birth of their first child, a girl, in June of 2011.

1995
Jonathan Hemingway ’95 and his brother, Stuart run a photography company, Chip Shots Photography (www.chipshotsphto.com) which takes on site golf photos at Pro-Am and Charity golf events. In addition to the golf photography company, they also have another facet of their company called Fanpix. There, they are the fan photography company for the University of Alabama, as well as the Baltimore Ravens, Indianapolis Colts, and Cincinnati Bengals of the NFL.
1995
Andrew Crisp ’95 and Katie Harrall were married on September 18, 2010 in Blowing Rock, NC.

1996
Franklin Adams ’96 is principal and founder of Adams Development Company, Charleston, South Carolina, where he and his wife live.

1999
Daniel Helm ’99 was recently promoted to the position of Vice President of the Lake Erie Crushers (Avon, Ohio) minor league baseball team, and oversees all aspects of the team and front office.

2000
Boardman Bell ’00 wrote that his daughter Jane Alice Franke Bell was born on September 3rd, his birthday!

2000
Michael Johnson ’00, a Sewanee graduate of The University of Mississippi, is a writer in Oxford, MI, who writes under the name of Michael Bible. Michael recently won the Stymie short fiction award in ESPN Magazine for his piece “The Bowie Miracle” and has a reflection in The Oxford American about his late college teacher, the author Barry Hannah. His first book, “Cowboy Maloney’s Electric City” was published by Dark Sky Books.

2000
Dustin Pulliam ’00 opened a restaurant in downtown Asheville called Twisted Crêpe. Joey Davis ’01 was there at the opening to help Dustin out.

2000
Kelly Burkett ’01 and his wife Tracy announced the birth of their second child, Luca Julian Burkett born September 13, 2010 at home. Kelly says, “I’ve been officiating football, wrestling and lacrosse for three years now and it is great to get back into sports and work with the youth. My wife Tracy is co-owner of Two Mommas Designs, they make baby carriers for moms and dads. www.twomommasdesigns.com.”

2001
Peter Gartrell ’01, a journalist for Platts, the energy news division of McGraw-Hill Co. and member of the Alumni Council helped raise more than $2,500 for the non-profit Bread for the City, and its Holiday Helpings program. He joined with a local restaurant, Tonic, for The Tacos4Turkeys Challenge and — one taco at a time — raised enough to feed more than 85 Washington, DC-based families.

2001
Bryan Young ’01 – After returning to the United States for a few months after serving in the US Army in Iraq, Bryan has returned to the Middle East, but this time as a civilian contractor with Fluor. While traveling in the Middle East, Bryan made a stop in Dubai, where he had his picture taken at the Burj Khalifia building, the tallest in the world.

2003
Matthew Johnson ’03, a Wofford graduate in Business Economics, is a financial planner for Morton Wealth Management LLC in Greensboro, NC and a candidate for CFP certification.

2004
Morgan Herterich ’04 is a broker with Palmetto Distributors – wine, spirits, beer – living in Charleston, South Carolina.

2004
Drew Thorp ’04 graduated with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech in May 2010 and took a job with Trane Commercial Heating and Air Conditioning as an account manager. After spending 5 months in La Crosse, WI in training, Drew moved to Orlando, FL in January of 2011 and works in the existing building services group covering Central Florida.

2005
Chavis Holmes ’05 has signed a contract to play professional basketball in Mexico for the Rayos de Hermosillo in the CIBACOPA League. He previously played professionally in Spain.

2005
James Mathews ’05 is a first lieutenant with the Civil Air Patrol in Asheville. He just got engaged on Valentine’s Day, 2011 to Heather Montague. He works at the Asheville Airport as a Line Service Technician.

2005
Kevin Codd ’05 writes “I graduated from Franciscan University this past May with my bachelor’s degree in nursing. I’ve
been living in the Pittsburgh area for the past several months, working on a Telemetry unit and coaching the cross country team at my alma mater. This season, both the men’s and women’s team were NCAA conference champions. I’ll be moving back to Asheville to take a few additional classes and apply to medical school. I included a picture of the team I coached, I’m on the left. Thanks to Coach Siders and Payton for giving me passion for such a great sport!

2006

Reed Cluxton ’06 continues to work on reclaiming the oldest farmstead in the Haw Creek area of Asheville and to craft fine furnishings from hand-harvested woods. He and his wife Rosaura had a second daughter in September, Lydia Ruth. Reed’s wife Rosaura began her Masters Degree in Urban Planning this fall.

2006

Jay Queen ’06 came to school to talk to Mr. Stender’s 8th grade Integrated Science class about astronomy and to help build a telescope out of cardboard.

2006

Sam Smith ’06 graduated cum laude last May from Rhodes College in Memphis, TN. He works for Alexander, Thompson, Arnold and has passed the first part of the CPA exam.

2007


2007

Tyler Williams ’07 is at Averett University and working as the full time radio broadcaster for all of Averett’s athletic teams, including broadcasts featured on the 106.3 FM, the local ESPN Radio affiliate.

2009

Ali Knowles ’09 has recently worked his way into Troy University’s baseball starting lineup in center field and right field and is hitting .563. The whole team is 14-3 and 14-1 in conference.

2009

Charles McCarthy ’09 is enrolled in the ROTC program at Rhodes College (Memphis, TN). Through his connection to the ROTC program, Charles participated in a Ranger Challenge course in the fall of 2009.

2009

Chris McLeod ’09 is enlisting in the army. He’ll go in as a Sergeant. He’ll complete basic training in the summer at either Ft. Jackson or Fort Benning.

2009

Christian Rogers ’09 is a Homeland Security major at Campbell University and is the first string tight end for Running Camels football program entering spring practices. He was hosted by Richard Rogers ’64, a retired law professor at Campbell.

2010

Brandon Allison ’10 is currently enrolled at Millsaps College (Mississippi) where he is a member of the varsity basketball team.

2010

Ross Weathersbee ’10 is in his first year at High Point University where he is a weekly radio host on HPU Radio: The Sound. Ross is also a member of the University Singers, and is majoring in Electronic Media (Film).
A Memory of Pete Norris ’50
— by Dick Wells ’50

“We discovered that both of us, for different reasons, had seen the school as our home, and had missed it when we left…”

Pete Norris, ’50 died on October 10, 2010. I was fortunate to spend some time with him, and his wife Jane, during a Wells family reunion at Hilton Head last June. In this remembrance, the picture tells it all. There is Pete, with that characteristic gentle smile, giving a hug to my appreciative little granddaughter, Debbie, with her equally appreciative Mom looking on. He was in his element, in the immediate company of lovely ladies, generously giving a boat tour around Hilton Head to about ten of us. Later, Pete told me that he had this picture on his desk, and it is how I will remember him.

A few days after our boat tour Pete and Jane came to dinner at the cottage we were renting, and "We discovered that both of us, for different reasons, had seen the school as our home, and had missed it when we left…”

they fit right into this big, noisy group of parents, brothers, children, grandchildren, etc. They joined right in when we sang “Happy Birthday” to our other grandchild, Hannah. It was a great evening, and my wife, Maurine, and I were delighted to talk with Jane, and get to know her. Pete and I spent some more time talking, and we turned inevitably to our time at Christ School. We discovered that both of us, for different reasons, had seen the school as our home, and had missed it when we left—so much so that each of us had experienced subsequent difficulty. But, we also felt that we had been fortunate in our now lengthy lives, and the school had a lot to do with that.

If, almost sixty—one years ago, someone had told Pete or me that years later he would give my granddaughter a hug, we would have laughed. At eighteen you think of dates, not granddaughters. But, in the neighborhood of our eighties there is more to look back on, and our lives, more or less fortunate, in retrospect have continuity and contain certain critical events. This school, and what it meant to us, constitute one such event, and the loss of a classmate, late in life, is thus a special sort of loss.

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Sam Logan ’40
Dr. Sam Logan ’40 (1922-2010) was a lifelong resident of New Orleans and the fourth doctor in his family to bear his name. He was a surgeon, earning undergraduate and medical degrees from Tulane University. He will be remembered for his pioneering role in the establishment of West Jefferson Medical Center, and along with his wife, Margot, for his medical missionary work in India and Central America. He was a loyal and devoted alumnus of Christ School for 70 years. His education at Christ School began a family tradition including his two sons, Skip Logan ’66 and King Logan ’70. He was a man of strong convictions demonstrated through the years through the love and faith he had for his family and his school. That same strong character, loving ways and forgiving spirit were exemplified through his compassion and concern for those around him, always extending his hand to family, friends and those in need. His legacy will live on within his family as well as his Christ School family.

John Youngblood ’43
Mr. John Youngblood, of Asheville, NC and the Christ School class of 1943, passed away on December 17, 2010 at the age of 84. Through the years, Mr. Youngblood was a very generous supporter of Christ School not only financially, but also with the gift of his time and talent. In support of Christ School specifically, Mr. Youngblood served in many volunteer capacities including as a class agent, an Annual Loyalty Fund agent as well as serving on the Board of Trustees. Mr. Youngblood’s financial contributions to Christ School were vital in the success of the large capital campaign in the mid-1990s, the N.C. House Campaign (now known as Cunningham House) in addition to his continuous annual support of the ALF. During his professional career, Mr. Youngblood served as chairman of the board with Youngblood Truck Lines and also sat on numerous other boards within the trucking industry and other related associations. Mr. Youngblood was also a member of Central United Methodist Church and a U.S. Navy veteran serving during WW II.

Harry Bruns ’44
Mr. Harry Bruns ’44 died peacefully in Charlottesville, Va. on September 23, 2010. Mr. Bruns, originally from New Orleans has strong family ties to Christ School’s history including numerous cousins that have attended or graduated dating from the 40s and up through the late-1990s. Mr. Bruns supported Christ School financially for many years, including his most recent generous gift which funded the construction of several beautifully landscaped trail heads on campus (pictured). In addition to his financial support of the school, especially during the financially troubled times of the 1970s and early 1980s, Mr. Bruns also served on the Christ School Board of Trustees during that time. Not only did Mr. Bruns support Christ School, he was also a strong supporter of his collegiate alma mater, The University of Virginia. Mr. Bruns served in the United States Marine Corps most notably during the Korean Conflict. As was stated in his obituary published in the Richmond Times-Dispatch on September 26, 2010, “Throughout his life, he possessed an uncanny ability to bring people together through his persuasion, humor, and generosity, often initiating interesting friendships that otherwise would not have formed.”
Coach Pat James

"I thank each and every one of you for your support. Paul, David and the staff they have assembled are continuing to make Christ School a great place. It has changed ---yes ---but it is still the same. It is the place where a boy can come and develop into a young man and be prepared for future successes. Your support allows the traditions to continue ---for new ones to be formed. It allows the precepts that Fessor and Bill taught to continue and grow.” –Pat James

Coach James with his son Lance ’88 and his wife, Donna.

Coach James coached and taught at Christ School from 1976-1995, during that time he was an assistant varsity football coach (19 years), head varsity basketball coach (19 years) and head varsity baseball coach (19 years) and served as athletic director for 16 years. During his time as basketball coach, his teams were CAA champions in seven of nineteen seasons and reached the state playoffs in eleven of those years. Coach James’ baseball teams won twelve conference titles over the nineteen seasons and were state playoff qualifiers in ten of those years and at one time notched a forty-one game conference winning streak.

CHANDLER Mission

Christ School is a college preparatory school affiliated with the Episcopal Church. Our mission is to produce educated men of good character, prepared for both scholastic achievement in college and productive citizenship in adult society. We achieve this mission through a four-fold process. First and most important, we challenge and encourage each student, in the nurturing environment of a close-knit campus, to develop academically to his maximum potential. Second, through competitive sports, student self-government, and a variety of extracurricular activities, we help each student to develop his physical fitness and leadership skills, and his respect for others regardless of their origins, cultures, or beliefs. Third, by involvement in the care of our campus home, civic duty is learned, along with a sense of the dignity of honest labor. Finally, through religious instruction and regular participation in chapel activities, each of our students learns the sustaining value of faith and spiritual growth throughout his life.

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