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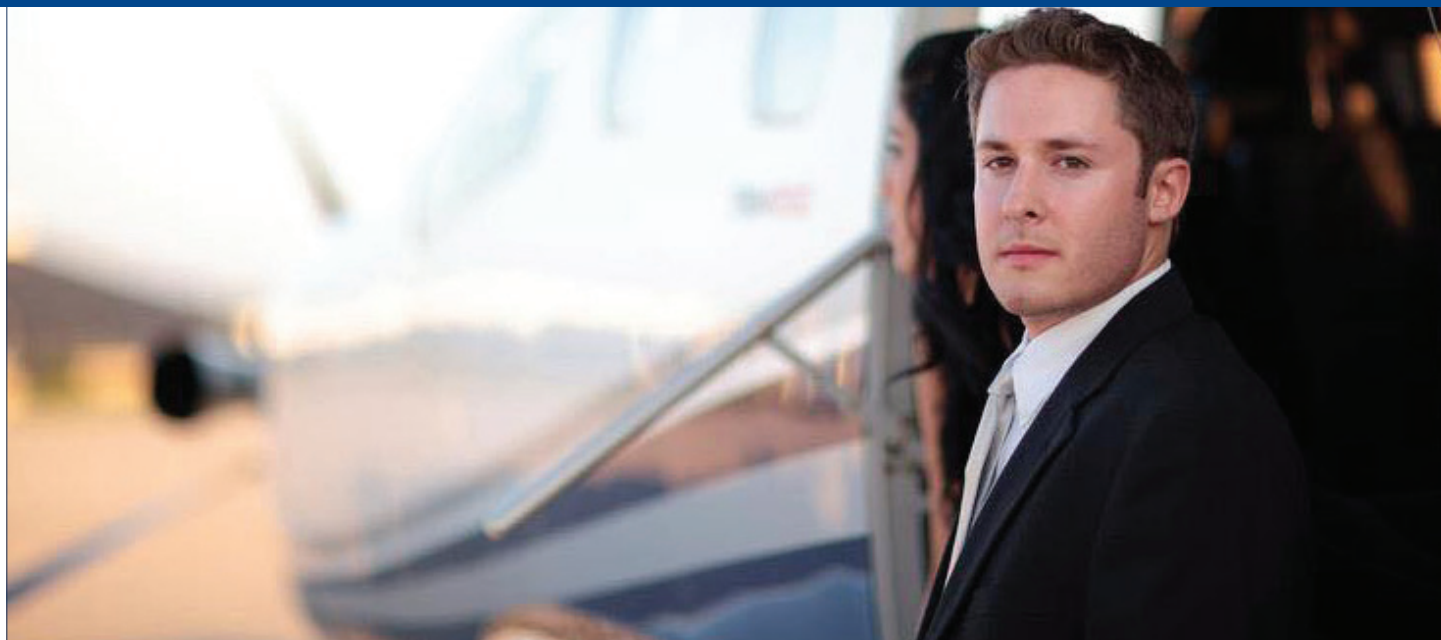
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY OF INDIANA ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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## Andrew Davis '04

*But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles;  
they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.*

ISAIAH 40:31



**F**riday, November the 30th was supposed to be a routine day. It was anything but that, and will be forever seared in our hearts. Andrew Davis '04 lost his life along with prominent business man, Wayne Estopinal and another TEG Architect employee in a small plane crash while flying on a short business trip to Chicago. His love for aviation went back to at least his high school days. It was then that he told a long time family friend, Eric Erwin that he wanted to be pilot. Erwin, commenting on that moment said, "If I had a dime for every kid that told me they wanted to be a pilot I would be rich."

Andrew meant what he said and proceeded to get his pilot's license while in high school. From there he went on to receive his Bachelor's degree from Indiana State University. He had a goal and that was to become a UPS Pilot. He spent some time living in Muncie and Columbus before moving back to Louisville which he did at the suggestion of Erwin because UPS seems to like Louisville folks. Eric saw himself in Andrew who had a fire and drive that made him able to pursue his passion of aviation. Four days before the crash he had flown with Andrew, they enjoyed talking and sharing about what his future might look like. They would talk often and Andrew knew he could call his friend anytime for sound advice.



Longtime friend, Kyle Lee from his college years, told about meeting Andrew. “I remember meeting Andrew for the first time while attending Indiana State University and quickly feeling that I had known him forever. This was partly because we shared many commonalities, but more so because Andrew genuinely cared for others and could connect with anyone in impactful and lasting ways. I remember college for us consisting of road trips, studying, camping, discussions on life and how we would live our lives. Andrew made everyone around him better as he lived his life for others.” said Lee. “One of the ways he made me better, and what made Andrew so special, was his ability to live a balanced life. He was the most determined friend that I had, pursuing his goals with discipline and rigor, yet holding loosely to his plans, trusting in the will of God for his life. Andrew was serious, yet light-hearted and joyous at the same time. He was futuristic (being my first friend to have an electric car) and old-fashioned (shaving with a straight blade razor). Andrew loved adventure and memories to be made, but was cautious and calculated. How he maintained this balance was inspiring!” Lee also commented, that many would call Andrew one of their best friends.

Michael Vollmer an Associate Pilot and Andrew’s best friend from work at TEG Architects shared some thoughts about Andrew. “In pondering Andrew over the last week, I realized he was a deliberate balance of boyish innocence approach to life with manly convictions regarding his job, his friends, family and his faith. Andrew had his priorities right. He had so many stories, so much to talk about because he had so many neighbors, so many friends he loved. He never met a stranger..just a new friend he hadn’t met yet.” Volmer went on to say, “True measure of success in life is how many lives you made better.” Andrew made so many lives better.

Andrew’s last post on Facebook shared his excitement about his recent mission trip with his dad and his church to the Dominican Republic. What a sweet reminder of what was precious to him. Sharing his faith, loving his family and friends as well as pouring into others is what he did best. His wife Erica was the first to



Andrew pictured above with his wife Erica and children, Jackson and Sophia

encourage him as she expressed her support for his trip telling him that the people in the DR would fall in love with him and his group.

Samantha Capehart, Next Steps/First Impressions Administrative Assistant, Northside Christian Church, “ I got the chance to meet Andrew in October of 2018 when we went on a Dominican Republic mission trip with Northside Christian Church. Even though Andrew and I didn’t talk much the rest of the trip, that hour long flight made it seem like we were old friends! He told me all about his job, his family, and where he was from. Everything that his family and friends say about him is true, he was just a genuine guy with a heart for others and a love for Jesus. Thankful for that plane ride with him!”

His interests were many. He loved to travel, fish, woodwork, cycle, hike and he was a fantastic and thorough pilot. He truly never met a stranger. He had a passion to love others, to make you feel worthy and special. He had an indescribable love for his children and wife. A Christ-like love that so many deserve. His wife Erica and her family were in attendance at Northside Christian Church the Sunday after the accident. Surrounded by their church family ready to give love and support, they held tight to the hope that only those who know Jesus personally can rest in. Andrew was committed to making sure others knew this truth. He was passing it on to the next generation evidenced by his life, his family, friends and his involvement on his mission trip with Northside, where his outgoing personality was far reaching.

His loss will leave a huge void. Andrew was a dedicated husband, father, son, brother, uncle and more, he left an impact that will never be forgotten, His life reminds us that it is not the quantity of years that you live, it is the quality of the life you live and how you love and impact others.

We extend our love and prayers to Andrew’s wife, Erica, children Jackson and Sophia, parents, Tony and Teresa Davis, sister Sarah Davis Barlowe ‘05 and all who knew and loved him.

If you have a memory of Andrew you would like to share with his family, please send it to me at [dkutzner@caschools.us](mailto:dkutzner@caschools.us) or mail in to me at: Christian Academy of Indiana 1000 Academy Drive, New Albany, IN 47150 attn: Darlene Kutzner

# alumniUPDATES



**Braden ‘16 & Leah Smith Renfro ‘16**  
married on August 3, 2018



**Autumn Kastensmidt ‘14 & Travis Jones ‘15**  
will be getting married on June 22, 2019



**Blair Wingham Richardson ‘07 & her husband Doug welcomed their son Kaden**



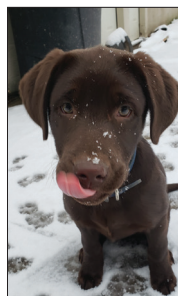
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**Hayden Hope '18 & Noah Williams '18**  
showing support for one another as they hold up t-shirts they own representing each other's schools.



**Shelby Lawson '09**  
Senior Administrative Assistant for the Kindred VP of Facilities, pictured here with her dog Rowdy who graduated from obedience school and her other dog, Oakley.



Congrats



**Nic Reed '16** is only the fourth player in the 53 year history of Olivet Nazarene University men's basketball to reach the 2,000 point milestone. Which puts him in Elite Company. Nic reached this milestone in just his junior season. On the year, Nic has 590 points, putting him 3rd among all National Association of Intercollegiate Division II athletes.



**Jordan Tillett '04** had a goal when he became a Golf Professional, and that goal was he wanted to work for Disney golf. Their reputation for excellence in customer service is second to none and he wanted to be a part of it. When the role of Head Golf Professional was offered to him, he did not hesitate to accept it, his responsibilities consists of managing the operation and team at Disney's Lake Buena Vista Golf Course. Their "cast members" strive to provide the guests with a magical golf experience that goes hand in hand with their visits to the parks. His favorite part of this job is leading a team of professionals who strive to make people's day special. Jordan also enjoys the interaction he gets to experience with their guests. It is truly a magical place to work!

# alumniEVENTS



Katie Butler '17, Ashton Becht '15, Sydney Fischer '17,  
James Kalkbrenner '15, Josef Jerrell '15



Ava Hampton '18, Alli Stumler '18, Conner Chalfant '14,  
Andrew Rattin (*friend of alums*), Cyntahva Archie '18,  
Haley Joyce '18, Hannah Beckley '18, Nicole Collins '18

# Homecoming 2019



Wes Lang '17, Kendall Morgan '17, Cody Rehor '17



Dillon Kahl '18, Zach Hampton '18, Hayden Hope '18,  
Nathan Paris '18, Colton Nichols '18, Jesse Graham '18,  
Patrick Fitzgibbon '17





Missions

This spring we will be sending a team of 25 students and leaders to Honduras for a missions trip. While there they will be performing a drama for several schools, then breaking off into classrooms after the performance to discuss key points of salvation. They are also making 2000 bracelets that will have corresponding bead colors that represent sin, life, Christ and other important steps in the journey to faith which they will hand out to the children.

Two of our students and one leader will be singing the song “Oceans” in Spanish during a church service where they will be spending time with the congregation and their youth groups. This team is anticipating a wonderful time of sharing the gospel, making new friends and serving others. Please be praying for them as they are working very diligently to be organized and in tune with God’s leading for this special time of ministry.

Did you know?

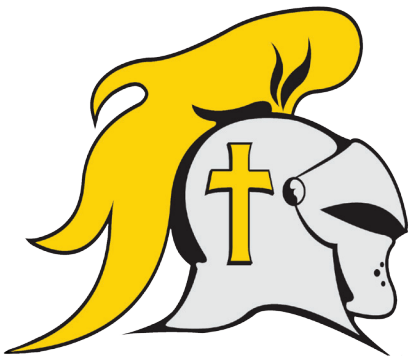
320 Different churches represented on 4 campuses, but honoring 1God, 1Bible

We are one of 5 Christian Schools (out of 23,000) to receive ACSI’s first exemplary accreditation

98% of graduates attend a private, public or Christian College

ALUMNI GIVING BACK

See what your class has already done to help continue the mission of Christian Academy. Alumni philanthropy is vital to our success and we are so grateful for each of you! The CAL family is strong and it shows through your support to the next generation of leaders!



Alumni lifetime giving by class:

1982	1991	1998	2005	2013
\$3,760	\$3,380	\$120	\$25	\$20
1984	1992	2000	2006	2014
\$700	\$139,942	\$1,660	\$100	\$30
1985	1993	2001	2007	
\$1,000	\$6,750	\$5,000	\$100	
1986	1994	2002	2008	
\$1,385	\$300	\$6,605	\$575	
1988	1995	2003	2010	
\$33,570	\$4,805	\$240	\$295	
1989	1996	2004	2012	
\$108,480	\$20	\$275	\$36	

How you can help!

We are getting so close to our \$5.4 million goal for the capital campaign. Please consider a legacy gift today to continue the great work at Christian Academy!

2020: The Mission Continues CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

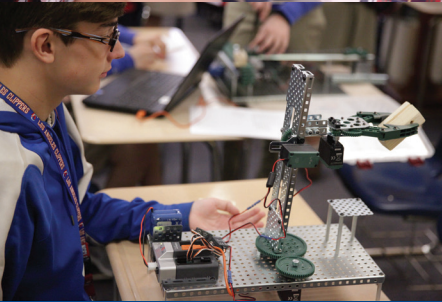


ACADEMIC GROWTH

- Outdoor classrooms at Rock Creek & Southwest
- STEM: computers, equipment & curriculum to support all levels
- Fine Arts: instruments, photography & ceramic equipment at ES/IN
- School of Biomedical Science at ES offering a special diploma distinction & dual college credits, and introduction of new BioMedics program at IN
- Collaboratory space in classrooms for group hands-on learning
- New uniforms & travel trailer for ES Marching Band

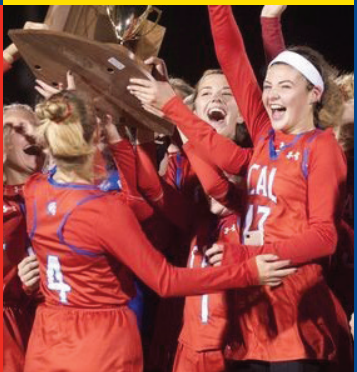
TECH GROWTH

- Infrastructure upgrades
- Classroom upgrades
- Increase device ratio
- Science & technology upgrades
- Advanced security



STUDENT GROWTH

- Alternative seating
- Construct classrooms: ES expansion in elementary & high school
- Cafeteria expansion & second entrance at ES
- New centralized building entrance at ES to increase security
- New separate Jr. Academy building at ES
- Collaboration space in all media centers
- Mobile labs, incubators & science lab renovation



ATHLETIC GROWTH

- ES: Multi-purpose turf field
- IN: Press box and bleachers
- RC: Upgrade gym
- SW: Enhance facilities





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