

The Freshman Perspective

The Freshman Orientation Newsletter for John Wesley Scholars

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Free Pancakes & Fellowship with the JWHC

Mark your calendars, and join us for our annual Pancake Breakfast for incoming John Wesley Scholars, hosted during New Student Orientation by the John Wesley Honors College and student leaders from the Honors College Student Association. Breakfast begins at 8:00 am on Monday, September 7, on the lawn of Epworth House (4410 S. Harmon Street), the gathering place for JWHC student events throughout the year. You'll also want to attend the JWHC Reception later in the day at 1:45 pm, located in the Burns Hall Rooftop Plaza. Free food and new friends: What more could you ask for during orientation?! You will likely also have the opportunity to meet several of the faculty, postdoctoral fellows, and JWHC student staff featured in this issue of the *Freshman Perspective*.



We're all getting excited about your arrival on campus and hope you are too! Until then, enjoy the summer!

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Introducing Dr. Charles E. Bressler

JWHC Senior Scholar for Undergraduate Research Professor of English

Dr. Bressler (B.A., Wilkes University; M.S., University of Scranton; Ph.D., University of Georgia) joined the IWU community in 2008 as professor of English. In addition to his teaching several English courses each academic semester, Dr. Bressler has recently been appointed the senior scholar for undergraduate research in the John Wesley Honors College. His primary task in the Honors College is to supervise and coordinate undergraduate honors theses.

In addition to his teaching and work in the Honors College, Dr. Bressler maintains an active scholarly life. Presently he is revising his text *Literary Criticism: An Introductory to Theory and Practice* (Prentice Hall, 2006) for its fifth edition. He has also delivered many scholarly presentations at such venues as the British Tolkien Society, the National Hawthorne Society, the C. S. Lewis Oxbridge Conference, the South Atlantic Modern Language Association, and the American Popular Culture Association, to name a few. Dr. Bressler's primary areas of research include literary theory and criticism, C. S. Lewis, J. R. R. Tolkien, G. K. Chesterton, Charles Williams, Edgar Allan Poe, and Nathaniel Hawthorne. While writing articles for such journals as *Touchstone*, he is also working on a scholarly edition of a Hawthorne romance, a new English grammar text for freshman composition courses, and a text showing the influence of George MacDonald and G. K. Chesterton in the lives and literary works of the Oxford Christians, known as The Inklings.

Dr. Bressler has been married for the last thirty-five years to Darlene. Presently, Darlene is serving as the vice president and academic dean for the College of Arts and Sciences at IWU. He and Darlene have one daughter, Heidi, who is a first-grade teacher.



SUMMER READING REQUIREMENT

Still looking for a summer read? Don't forget your required summer reading for IWU: Rick McKinley's *This Beautiful Mess*. It will be discussed in your UNV 180 class (World Changers). Or get a head start on one of the books you'll be reading in UNV 180.

Required Books for UNV 180 (World Changers)

Timothy George, *Is the Father of Jesus the God of Muhammad?: Understanding the Differences between Christianity and Islam* (Grand Rapids, 2002).

Arthur Holmes, *The Idea of a Christian College* (Revised: Grand Rapids, 1987).

James Smith, *Who's Afraid of Postmodernism: Taking Derrida, Lyotard, and Foucault to Church* (Grand Rapids, 2006).

Robert Webber, *The Divine Embrace: Recovering the Passionate Spiritual Life* (Grand Rapids: 2006).

N. T. Wright, *Simply Christian: Why Christianity Makes Sense* (New York, 2006).

Introducing the JWHC Postdoctoral Fellows



Dr. Rusty Hawkins **Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, 2009-11**

Dr. Hawkins was born and raised in Kansas City, Kansas, and graduated from Wheaton College in 1999. After spending three years in Bozeman, Montana (where he received an M.A. in American history from Montana State University), Dr. Hawkins and his wife Kristi moved to Boston, Massachusetts, where they ran literacy programs in some of the city's under-served public elementary schools. After a year in New England, Dr. Hawkins began his doctoral studies at Rice University in Houston, Texas, and earned his Ph.D. in American history in 2009.

Dr. Hawkins's research interests primarily revolve around issues of race, religion, and politics in the twentieth-century American South. His dissertation, *Religion, Race, and Resistance: White Evangelicals and the Dilemma of Integration in South Carolina, 1950-1975*, examines the way white Christians' religious beliefs caused them to work against the civil rights movement in the South.

Dr. Hawkins and Kristi have two sons, Caleb and Micah. In addition to spending time with his wife and boys, he enjoys reading (obviously), running (not as often as he should), and rooting for his favorite sports teams (the Kansas Jayhawks and the Kansas City Chiefs). He is extremely excited to be a part of the JWHC community and to have the opportunity to share his enthusiasm for his research with students. He is also looking forward to seeing snow again and living in a state where college basketball is appreciated.

Dr. Hawkins is teaching courses in the honors humanities core and electives.



Dr. Lisa Toland **Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow 2008-10**

Dr. Toland is proudly and originally from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, but has more recently spent five years living in Oxford (England), where she was completing her D.Phil. in early modern English history. Her primary interests lie within early modern British social and legal history. Dr. Toland's research focuses in particular on women's legal and economic experiences, as well as the rituals of dying and burial. Her dissertation, *Dusting Off Monuments and Muniments: Somerset Gentry Families, 1610-1750*, examines the inheritance and memorial practices of twelve elite families demonstrating the influence of paternal precedent, personal relationships, the rhetoric of duty, and individual whims. She earned an M.A. in European history from Miami University (Ohio) and is a 2001 graduate of IWU's John Wesley Honors College.

Dr. Toland is teaching courses in the honors humanities core and offering a research tutorial based on her research interests.

Other Faculty You'll Meet in JWHC Courses

Dr. David Riggs

Courses: World Changers (UNV 180) and others

Department: Honors College (Director)



Dr. Paul Allison

Course: Humanities World Literature (ENG 180)

Department: Modern Language, Literature, and Communication



Prof. Steve Horst

Course: Humanities Philosophy (PHL 180)

Department: Religion and Philosophy



Dr. Todd Ream

Courses: Honors Research Seminar (HNR 350) and others

Department: Honors College (Associate Director)

Dr. Steve Lennox

Courses: Old Testament (BIL 101) and New Testament (BIL 102)

Department: Religion and Philosophy



Dr. Mark Smith

Department: Social Sciences

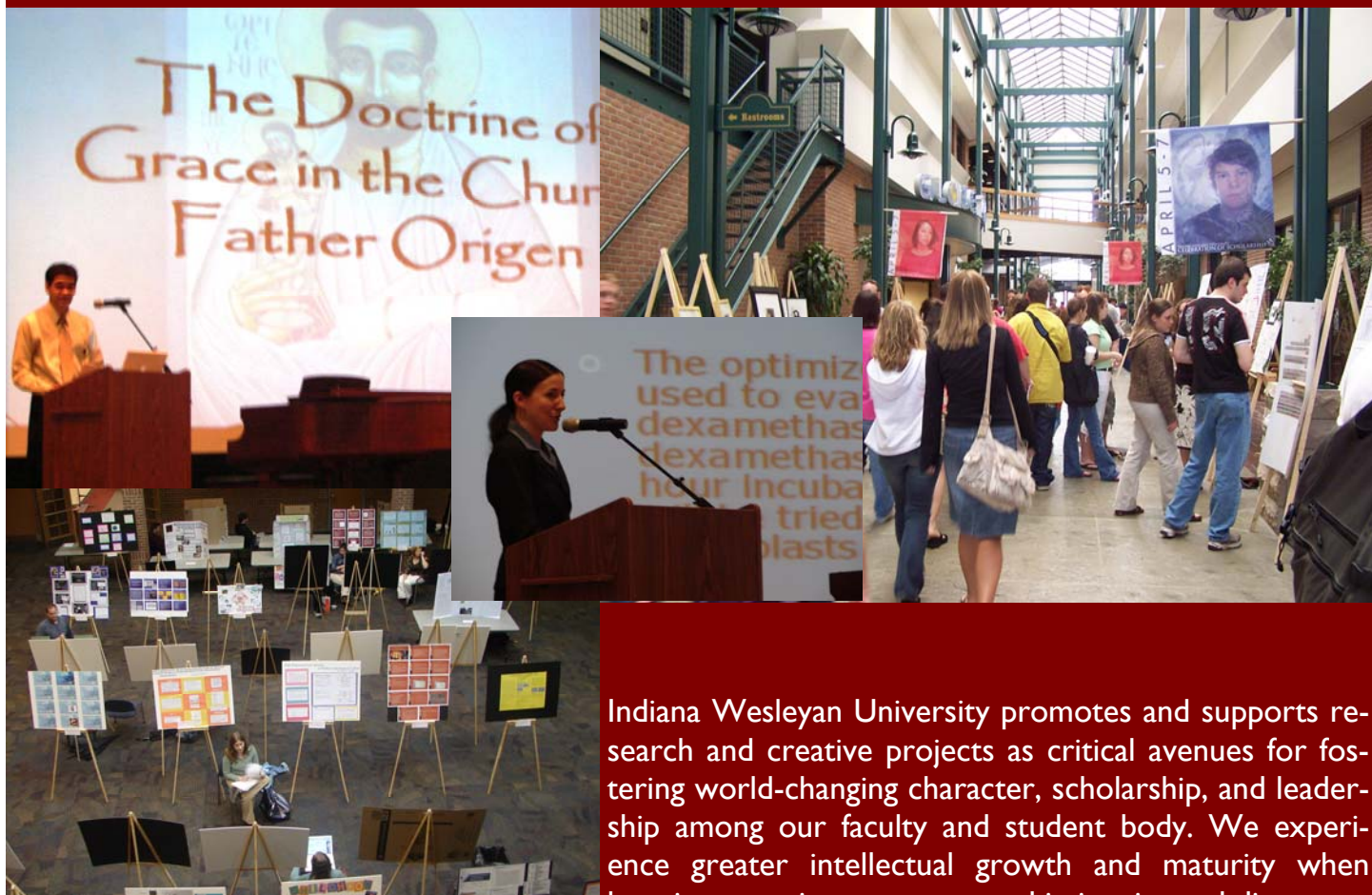


Dr. Willem Van De Merwe

Department: Natural Sciences and Mathematics

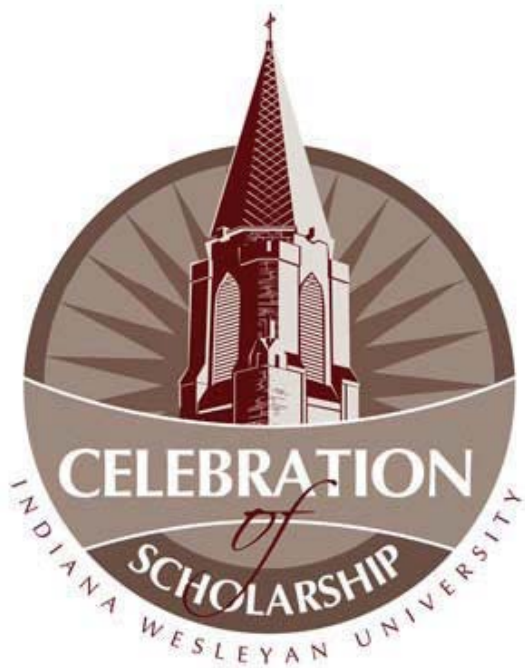


Celebration of Scholarship



Indiana Wesleyan University promotes and supports research and creative projects as critical avenues for fostering world-changing character, scholarship, and leadership among our faculty and student body. We experience greater intellectual growth and maturity when learning experiences are rooted in inquiry and discovery. In this regard, the university sets aside a week each spring for a **Celebration of Scholarship**, in which IWU showcases the achievements of its faculty and undergraduate scholars, increases awareness of the research and scholarship opportunities available, and challenges faculty and students to think more deeply about what it means to be a Christ-centered community of academic excellence.

Celebration of Scholarship is where most of you will present your undergraduate research and creative projects (HNR 497-498). The event culminates in the Faith and Learning Luncheon.



Meet the Ambassadors, JWHC Student Staff

**Annastasia Bonczyk, Team Leader****Majors:** Religion and Philosophy **Year:** Junior**Hometown:** Fremont, MI**Favorite JWHC class to date:** History of the Christian-Muslim Encounter — Amazing**Favorite ice cream:** Ben and Jerry's Cinnamon Buns**Dream vacation spot and why:** Lake Tahoe — I grew up by Lake Michigan and have spent so many summers there and loved it, and I would like to see a place that is just as beautiful year round except with mountains!**Advice for freshman:** Be goofy, have fun, learn to love the smell of coffee even if you don't like the taste, get involved — basically, make the most of this experience. College is about academics and learning but also about growing up and getting to know who you are.**Amy Brooker****Major:** Marketing **Year:** Junior**Hometown:** Sugar Grove, IL**Favorite JWHC class to date:** New Testament**Favorite ice cream:** Peppermint**Dream vacation spot and why:** Hawaii — apparently it is gorgeous and I love the beach.**Advice for freshman:** Don't get behind in your reading. Practice moderation in all things. Don't be too concerned about being cool. Look out for the interests of others. Try the smoothies from Freshen's.**Annie Brooker****Major:** Biology/Pre-Med **Year:** Sophomore**Hometown:** Sugar Grove, IL**Favorite JWHC class to date:** Old Testament**Favorite ice cream:** Neopolitan**Dream vacation spot and why:** Belgium — culture and chocolate**Advice for freshman:** Come to Epworth parties! ☺**Ashley Davison****Major:** Psychology **Year:** Junior**Hometown:** Granger, IN, not far from Notre Dame**Favorite JWHC class to date:** Honors Research Seminar — what an incredible journey!**Favorite ice cream:** Tiramisu from Ritter's Frozen Custard**Dream vacation spot and why:** Alaska — someday I hope to spend several nights in awe of the Northern Lights and the one who put them in the sky.**Advice for freshman:** Enjoy this year and be present in it. Your freshmen year is the foundation for a time and space in your life in which God will do INCREDIBLE things, but you have to be here to experience it! I remember being frustrated in those first few months because I longed for history. Not World Civ 180, but history with people and professors and spots on campus. I wanted to be able to say "remember when..." and I couldn't because it was all too new. But it will come, and you will not regret a moment of time or yourself that you invested here at IWU — God is faithful and we in the JWHC are excited for this new chapter with you. There are a lot of "remember when..."s to come. Be blessed.

Meet the Ambassadors (cont.)



Hilary Moore

Major: Psychology **Year:** Sophomore

Hometown: Xenia, OH

Favorite JWHC class to date: Class of 2011 — they're awesome, lots of really great and welcoming people who made me feel at home right away.

Favorite ice cream: Mint chocolate chip — chocolate fixes everything and mint ice cream is awesome. ☺

Dream vacation spot and why: I want to go to Belize — it's beautiful, they speak English, and I could snorkel.

Advice for freshman: Get to know people right away. Spend lots of time with your JWHC class and the other HC students because you'll be around them a lot and have immediate common ground. Don't be afraid to ask questions and connect with older students. We're all so excited to have you guys here and can't wait to get to know you and see the cool people that God made you to be.



Aaron Morrison

Major: Pre-Law/History **Year:** Sophomore

Favorite JWHC class to date: That is hard to decide. I have enjoyed all of them. But if I had to decide, it would either be the "Justice Unto All Peoples" Research Tutorial with Dr. Ream (HNR-310) or Old Testament Survey with Dr. Lennox (BIL-101). Both of them were fantastic classes with good friends and professors who made learning fun and deeply impactful.

Favorite ice cream: I actually do not like ice cream as much as I used to; I'm more of a sherbet guy these days. If I did have a favorite though, it would be classic vanilla.

Dream vacation spot and why: Somewhere in the Holy Land of Israel, because it's the place where Jesus walked the earth — To think that I would be tracing his physical footsteps in someplace like Jerusalem or Nazareth would be a memorable experience.

Advice for freshman: During those first few weeks of college, develop good habits in the way you manage your time and stick to them consistently. I think going into my freshman year it was good for me to work in a book factory in the summer, for it taught me to approach my schoolwork in the way a factory worker produces a product. It got me into the mindset of "produce, produce, produce..." and don't take breaks in short intervals. Factory workers take breaks once every several hours after they have MADE a product, not before they half-way completed it. Another good reminder is to stay faithful in the big things first (like your relationships with God, your family, and your homework), and God will provide for you in the other things, like having a social life. It was definitely true for me, and I was so afraid that I would be a social bum on campus. The lesson still remains as it always has: Give your ways unto God, and he will direct your paths.



Paige Vacha

Major: Nursing with a minor in Christian Ministries **Year:** Sophomore

Hometown: Umm... Good question... let's say Kent, OH

Favorite JWHC class to date: How 'bout I just say all of them.

Favorite ice cream: ALL!!!! Strawberry isn't my favorite, but I'm addicted to ice cream.

Dream vacation spot and why: Hawaii — Do I really need to say any more?

Advice for freshman: Don't be afraid to ask questions. Fellowship is here for a reason, and it rocks!

Meet the Program Assistants



Kate Cook, Admissions Team Leader

Major: Nursing with a minor in Spanish **Year:** Senior

Hometown: Cincinnati, OH

Favorite JWHC class to date: World Changers

Favorite ice cream: Graeter's Buckeye blitz or black raspberry chip

Dream vacation spot and why? Australia — I have a very comprehensive list of what I plan to accomplish while I'm there. Aaaaaand it's fabulous.

Advice for freshman? Enjoy yourself. Don't be shy — everyone is secretly just as terrified as you'll be when you walk into the PPAC for NSO on the first night. It will be great. Just give it some time. God brought you to this place, in this year, with these people for a reason. You are important. You are somebody. People need you and your heart... so don't be shy. Mmk? Mmk. Glad we had that talk. ☺



Kay Alderfer, Admissions Program Assistant

Major: Nursing **Year:** Junior

Hometown: Crawfordsville, IN

Favorite JWHC class to date: History of the 1960's

Favorite ice cream: Mint chocolate chip

Dream vacation spot and why: Right now, I'm lovin' the big CO!

Advice for freshman: Be sure to invest mightily in both relationships and school; your life will be better when both are in full swing.



Luke Nelsen, Admissions Program Assistant

Major: Math Education **Year:** Sophomore

Hometown: Springfield, IL

Favorite JWHC class to date: I'd have to say it's a tie between World Changers with Dr. Riggs (almost getting smacked in the face in the midst of the professor's excitement), Justice Research Tutorial with Dr. Ream (handling a 1840s land treaty), World Civ with Dr. Toland (writing about Machiavelli, wearing bunny ears, and learning the name "Alaric"), and Philosophy with Horst (Kant vs. squirrels). Okay, so they're ALL my favorites.

Favorite ice cream: Vanilla soft serve from Baldwin, in a glass with chocolate syrup and a touch of skim milk. Stir with knife, add Oreo crumbles — OR — in a glass with peanut butter and a touch and a half of skim milk. Stir vigorously and relentlessly with knife. Add more soft serve and stir, and add a healthy drizzle of chocolate syrup on top. Make a smiley face out of Reese's Puffs on top. Bring multiple spoons for your friends.

Dream vacation spot and why: Anywhere that has family/friends and where I can see the stars clearly.

Advice for freshman: Don't just learn; learn like a Christian ought to learn.

Meet the Program Assistants (cont.)



Natalie Davis, Academic Planning Program Assistant

Major: Psychology and Leadership Studies **Year:** Junior

Hometown: Crawfordsville, IN

Favorite JWHC class to date: Dr. Ream's Research Tutorial on the 1960s

Favorite ice cream: Birthday cake ice cream!

Favorite vacation spot and why?: My absolute favorite spot in the world (or at least what I've seen of it so far...) is Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, because it is such a beautiful place and there is so much to do there — go to the beach, bike rides, fishing, tennis, great restaurants... It's a great place for relaxation and being active.

Advice for freshman: I try and encourage all freshmen to go into their first year completely surrendered to God's plan for them. God truly blesses and teaches you so much if you are just willing to give everything up to him. By trusting him, he will be able to mold you more in to the individual he created you to be.



Beth Freije, Academic Planning Program Assistant

Major: Elementary Education **Year:** Sophomore

Hometown: Indianapolis, IN / Bomet, Kenya

Favorite JWHC class to date: I have two. The first is Old Testament. I loved how the class deepened my understanding of God. It gave me a passion for the Old Testament and a vision for how beautiful it is. Also, Dr. Lennox is an incredible professor. I also enjoyed Dr. Toland's Research Tutorial on eighteenth-century Britain. I became best friends with my British ladies, and the class was really fun. My favorite day was when we took a break and watched a hilarious British comedy set in the eighteenth-century.

Favorite ice cream: Chocolate chip cookie dough — It has cookies and ice cream, so it is like TWO desserts in one!!

Dream vacation spot and why: Australia — I would love to see the Great Barrier Reef and some of the awesome Australian animals.

Advice for freshman: Never let the urgent override the important. In college there will always be a paper or project demanding your immediate attention, therefore it is really important to carve time into your day for the truly important things, things like your relationship with God. There is never enough time in the day, so never leave the important for last.



Jonathan Freije, Finances Program Assistant

Major: Business Administration and Economics **Year:** Junior

Hometown: Hmm... Indianapolis is where I grew up as a child. Kenya is where I spent most of my middle school and high school years.

Favorite JWHC class to date: This is such a hard question because I have enjoyed so many. To start, I have loved learning about theology and liberal learning with Dr. Riggs in both World Changers and Honors Colloquia. It has really expanded my understanding. I have also enjoyed research opportunities in class with Dr. Ream and Dr. Toland. I also know a whole lot more about the 1960s at Valparaiso and single women in eighteenth-century Britain then I thought I ever would!

Favorite ice cream: Mint chocolate chip

Dream vacation spot and why: I cannot imagine a better vacation spot than Hilton Head Island, South Carolina. I love the beach in general, and the beaches at Hilton Head are perfect. There is so much to do, like biking, tennis, swimming, and sea kayaking. Lastly, some of the best restaurants in the world are on Hilton Head.

Advice for freshman: I have learned so much in these two years, and I am excited for what you all will learn about life and yourselves. First, if you are going to succeed, then you need to be completely relying on God. Only he can give you the strength and wisdom to get through difficult situations. Second, learn to balance all your competing priorities. There are so many amazing opportunities at IWU, and I am still learning how to keep my priorities straight. Lastly, have fun! I know that your JWHC class is going to do great... so enjoy!

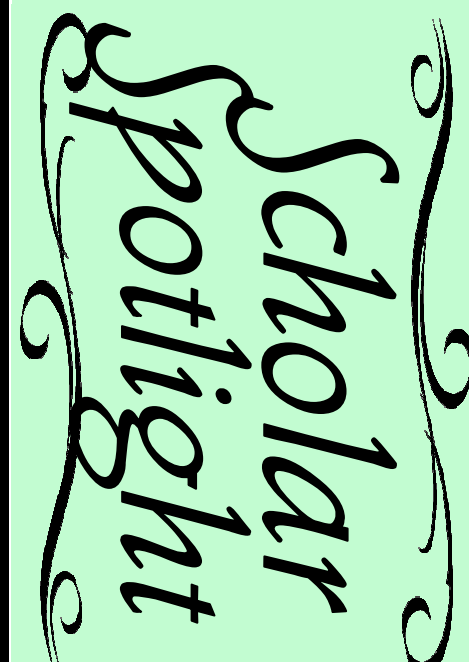
Andrea Rahman



Age: 21 **Year:** Senior
Hometown: Princeton, IN
Major: English with a Theology minor

Favorite verse:

Psalm 27:4
"One thing I ask the LORD,
this is what I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of
the LORD
all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the
LORD
and to seek him in his temple."



What is your favorite aspect of the Honors College so far? Why?

I really enjoy the smaller classes and in-depth coursework. I learned more in my honors gen. ed. classes than my other gen. ed. classes, and I was able to get to know my classmates better.

What do you love about IWU?

I feel that the faculty and students really contribute to a sense of purpose at IWU. I believe that God calls students to come here and that students graduate IWU with a strong sense of direction for their lives.

In what are you involved on campus?

I work as a student secretary in the English Department and as a staff writer on the *Sojourn*. I have also been a leader in Doulos for three years.

What do you do in your free time?

I'm pretty laid-back and like hanging out with my friends. I like to be outdoors, read books, watch movies, play card/board games, etc.

Do you have any advice for incoming freshmen?

It's easy to feel the need to be in leadership or take on responsibilities during your freshman year. But I would suggest taking it easy; focus on making new friends. Many times you will discover that you have different interests in college than you had in high school, so take your time and enjoy the college experience your freshman year. College is your time to explore new things and figure out what God is calling you to do.

Keep your focus on Jesus at all times; don't get caught up in what you think you need to do as a Christian. It's not about doing things in your own power, but allowing God to use you in his time and purpose.

Break all the boxes of "what can or cannot be accomplished" that you put God or yourself in. And don't put others into boxes based on appearances or first impressions. I have many close friendships that did not start with an immediate connection. I hope you will keep this quote in mind as you begin to determine God's calling for you: "The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet." – Frederick Buechner

Scholar Spotlight

Tim Jones

Age: 21 **Year:** Senior
Hometown: Indianapolis, IN
Majors: Business Administration,
 Economics

Life Verse:

2 Timothy 3:12
 "In fact, everyone who wants to live a
 godly life in Christ Jesus will be perse-
 cuted."



What is your favorite aspect of the Honors College so far? Why?

I really like the smaller classes. You can get to know classmates. You can get to know professors. I find that it is easier to learn and much more rewarding with fourteen other students instead of thirty.

What do you love about IWU?

I really like the professors. Of course, I have my favorites, but they are all very interested in the students and want us to do well.

What do you do in your free time?

Spend time with my family and friends. Read. Prepare for my last two semesters.

Do you have any advice for incoming freshmen?

Do not allow the fact that chapel is required keep you from rejoicing in God and that we can freely worship him. Put nothing ahead of your relationship with Christ, and if possible, take New Testament with Dr. Jim Lo (I don't even know if he still teaches that class).



Questions about the JWHC?
 Contact the office at
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 765-677-1441 with any ques-
 tions, and we'll be happy to
 clarify things for you.

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Check out the Honors College on
 Facebook! Our name is John Wesley
 Honors-College. There is also a group
 just for the incoming class, called "John
 Wesley Honors College Class of 2013"! If
 you have a Facebook profile, join us!

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Featured Freshmen

hannah brown



Home: Janesville, WI

Major: Math

Favorite verse:

Jeremiah 29:11: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Hobbies and interests:

Scrapbooking, reading, hanging out with friends, and watching *One Tree Hill*

Best high school experience:

Bonding with friends and weekend road trips with friends

In college, I am most looking forward to:

Meeting new people and getting closer to God

If I could have any superpower:

I would be able to fly, so I could go visit family and friends whenever I wanted.

Beverage I would be and why:

I would be water because everyone needs it.

One strange thing I did as a child:

I carried Pop-Tarts around with me constantly.

bailey haskins



Home: Plainwell, MI

Major: Biochemistry

Favorite verse:

Proverbs 3:5-6: "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

Hobbies and interests:

I really enjoy drawing, painting, beading, reading, scrapbooking, laughing and making others laugh, making pottery, talking with others, watching movies, playing with my dog named Willow (a black standard poodle), going to the gym with my friends, spending time with my family, interacting with people (especially children), and biking, among other things.

Best high school experience:

One of the best opportunities I had in high school was to be drum major of our marching band for three years. It taught me lots about leadership, working with others to resolve issues, finding common ground, helping individuals with their struggles, and setting a good example.

In college, I am most looking forward to:

I am really looking forward to being in a Christian learning environment. It is also exciting to me that other students (particularly those in the JWHC) have a similar devotion to academics and learning as I do.

One strange thing I did as a child:

I had two pet rats when I was young: Sadie and Ivy. My sister and I would make a maze for them out of blocks and then essentially show them the way by leading them with a piece of celery or lettuce to the end.

kristie oke



Home: Gas City, IN

Majors: Secondary Education/
Biology

Favorite verse:

John 14:1: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me."

Hobbies and interests:

Reading, singing, writing, playing sports, photography, playing cards, eating ☺

Best high school experience:

Moving (not at the time, but it really stretched me and I met some great new people) and winning conference in girl's tennis for the first time in our school's history

In college, I am most looking forward to:

Growing and meeting new people

If I could have any superpower:

It's not really a superpower, but I want the wisdom of Solomon. I'm very indecisive, and it takes me a long time to make choices. Then after I decide something, I worry about if it was the right choice.

Favorite word:

Obsequious: I learned it in third grade and was so proud of myself because I actually remembered it.

Most nerdy thing I've ever done:

Organized the states by population density — during the summer for fun

meredith osborn



Home: Columbus, OH

Majors: Illustration &
Biology

Favorite verse:

John 10:14-15: "...I know my sheep and my sheep know me — just as the Father knows me and I know the Father — and I lay down my life for the sheep."

Hobbies and interests:

Too many things: cake-decorating, sewing, logic puzzles, really good books, watching musicals, acting, word games, Battleships

Best high school experience:

I was stage-manager for my school's spring musical, *Guys and Dolls*, and a red costume had broken stage left during a performance. By the grace of God, I happened to have a needle and red thread stage right, as well as a full scene before the actress had to go on stage. However, because of the set design, I had no way to cross during the scene to repair the costume without being seen by the audience. So I put on someone's costume and meandered across the stage as a New York citizen for my impromptu cameo appearance, repaired the costume, and the show went on.

In college, I am most looking forward to:

An environment which is diverse yet bound by an overall desire to grow closer to God and honor him with everything we do

If I could have any superpower:

I would want to be able to pause time. Then I would have endless amounts of time to do whatever while everyone else was paused. And it'd be nice in an argument to step back, cool down, and realize that the person is more important than the fight.

andrew seppo



Home: Fort Gratiot, MI

Major: Pre-Med/
Biology

Favorite quote:

"I've been searching for God my entire life, and I know two things for certain, there is a God, and I'm not him."

Hobbies and interests:

Guitar singing, watching behind-the-scenes of movies

Best high school experience:

Sports all throughout the years, they kept me motivated to do something and kept me busy.

In college, I am most looking forward to:

Meeting new people

Beverage I would be and why:

A tall glass of Verners because it's from Michigan and it tastes delicious

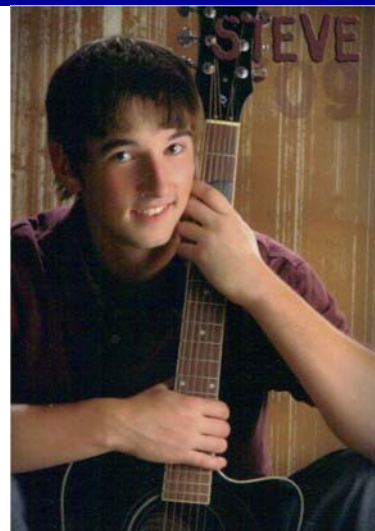
Favorite word:

Vehemently is my favorite word because it rolls off your tongue so nice.

One strange thing I did as a child:

I used to make tents out of umbrellas in my room.

steven thrasher



Home: Warren, MI

Major: Christian
Ministry

Favorite verse:

I Peter 5:7: "Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you."

Hobbies and interests:

Playing baseball, playing music, and trying to make an impact for Christ

Best high school experience:

Throwing a no-hitter my junior year

In college, I am most looking forward to:

Becoming a better vessel for Christ through hard work and overcoming challenges

Favorite word:

Lethologica: Because it is the inability to remember what word you were going to say. I just happen to think it is funny that there is a word for not being able to remember what word you were going to say.

If I could have any superpower:

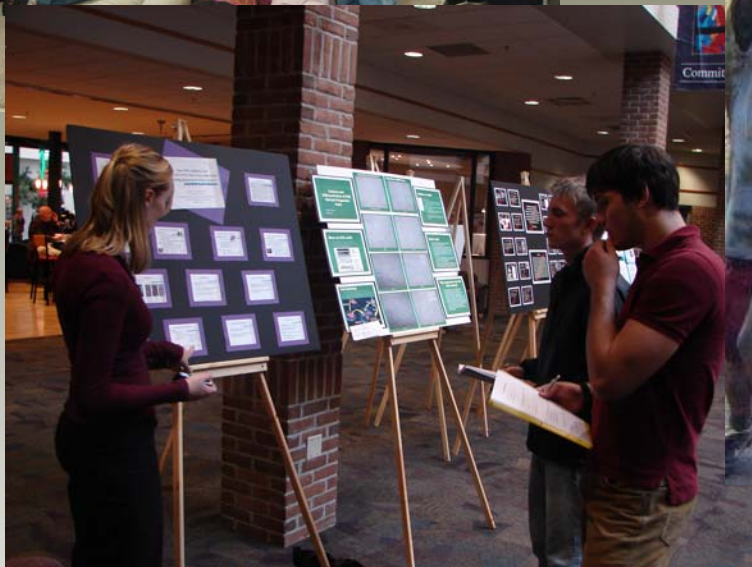
I would want to fly because that would be really enjoyable, and it is probably the most "green" superpower.

Most nerdy thing I've ever done:

I recently did some landscaping, and I calculated that it took twenty shovels to fill up a wheelbarrow. I moved around eighty wheelbarrows of mulch for the job, and therefore, I had to bend over to fill up a shovel 1,600 times!

from the

archives...



*Last chance to submit your bio for
"Featured Freshman"!*

The rest of your incoming JWHC class wants to meet you! Please reply to the questions included in this issue's email and attach your picture. Thank you!