

# The Freshman Perspective

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## Get Involved: Make the Most of College!

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To help you make the most of your time at Indiana Wesleyan University and in the John Wesley Honors College, this issue of the *Freshman Perspective* includes information about a host of opportunities to explore within the JWHC, around campus, and beyond — everything from the Honors College Student Association, to extracurriculars, to study abroad opportunities like the one described by Andrew Cuthbert, a John Wesley Scholar entering his senior year.

Finding ways to connect with others — inside and outside of class — will also enrich your college experience. In these pages, you'll meet several current John Wesley Scholars and faculty, as well as another batch of incoming students. You'll soon be sitting with them in UNV-180, but we hope you enjoy getting to know them a little now!

# Honors College Student Association (HCSA)

## A Message from Your 2010-2011 President

Welcome JWHC Class of 2014!

I am extremely excited to welcome you all to the Honors College community. One of the things that I hope you will find during your time here at IWU and in the JWHC is that the Honors College is a place for so much more than academics! Through the Honors College, I have found a unique community of friends that will last a lifetime. Friends I have made through the Honors College have been able to support and challenge me personally and spiritually, as well as academically.

However, it is up to you to make the most of your Honors College experience. You have the choice to put your best foot forward in your classes and relationships. Don't think that you're all alone though! The Honors College Student Association (HCSA) is here to make it easier for you to build relationships and academic skills during your time at college. The HCSA sponsors all-campus or Honors College-specific events that will allow all of this to happen. Let me just mention a few of the highlights:

Honors College and Friends Christmas Party ♦ Epworth Awards (Movie-Making Competition)  
Campus-Wide Chess Tournament ♦ Corem Deo (Honors College-Sponsored Chapels)  
Various Service Projects

There's a lot more than that to experience in the Honors College through the HCSA. But don't forget to take your own initiative in building relationships, skills, and spirituality. We would love it if you would take the events and activities that HCSA sponsors and launch your own initiatives or personal growth off of them. Get ready to join a vibrant, growing community at the JWHC! Can't wait to actually meet you all!

Stephen Coates  
HCSA President, 2010-2011

President



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Coates

Vice President



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Chaplain



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Secretary



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# More HCSA

## A Message from Last Year's HCSA President



Get involved in the HCSA!  
Read more about becoming a  
*Freshman Senator* on page 4.

JWHC Class of 2014,

You are entering the JWHC as I am on my way out the door, and that is a little hard for this “almost-senior” to believe. This year marks your first year as adults, college students, and “kingdom-of-God people.” Three years ago, I was in your shoes, preparing to move away from home. I came back from the stress and busyness of registration and tried my hardest to be ready for college, life on my own, and the Honors College. Three years later, I realize how silly all of that worry and anxiety was. My time in college and the JWHC has exceeded my imagination and my expectations.

Welcome! College is a huge growth experience, and I am so excited to see you all encounter it. You *will* grow as students, as people, and as children of God. The JWHC has taught me a lot about being a learner for the fun of it, a friend for the sake of loving others, and the beauty of a life passionate for Christ. Your fellow students are quite the group, and they are a ton of fun. We are excited to have you here and can't wait to help you find your way at IWU! The profs are incredible and willing to help you acclimate to the change from high school to college.

So, don't be intimidated, come on up to the office, ask Dr. Riggs out for coffee, hang out at Epworth, get to know the upperclassmen, come to one of Dr. Toland's tea parties, and basically make yourself at home in our little community!

I work on campus for the summer with Conference Services, and I look forward to seeing y'all at registration!!

Have a wonderful summer.  
Annastasia Bonczyk  
HCSA President 2009-2010

### Honors College Student Association (HCSA)

The Honors College Student Association is a student organization that seeks both to cultivate community among students in the John Wesley Honors College and to model, reinforce, and enrich the academic atmosphere at Indiana Wesleyan University. The HCSA provides spiritual, social, and service opportunities and creates various means through which the Honors College can enhance the greater academic community of IWU.

# Extracurricular Opportunities

## Honors College Student Association

### Want to be on the HCSA Senate representing your class?

Nominations for Freshman Senators will be requested the first week of classes, so get to know each other during New Student Orientation. We will confirm with all nominees whether or not they are interested in the position. Feel free to nominate yourself! You will be sent an email to vote for your top three candidates. The winners will also be announced by email. Be sure to check your IWU account regularly for Honors College and HSCA announcements!

## Student Organizations

### Academic Related Student Organizations

AIGA IWU Student Group  
 American Marketing Association  
 Association of Computing Machinery  
 Community of Accountants  
 Council for Exceptional Children  
 Criminal Justice Club  
 English and Writing Club  
 Exercise Science and Health and Fitness Club  
 History Club  
 Honors College Student Association  
 IWU Leadership Society  
 La Amistad Hispanica  
 Mathematical Academia Consortium  
 Men in Nursing  
 MENC: National Association of Music Education  
 Model United Nations Club  
 Nurses Christian Fellowship  
 Public Relations Student Society of America  
 Psychology Club  
 Science Club  
 Social Work Club  
 Student Education Association  
 Students in Free Enterprise  
 Student Nurses Association

### ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps)

### Student Media

*Caesura* (literary magazine)  
*The Legacy* (yearbook)  
*The Sojourn* (student newspaper)

### Interest Related

College Republicans  
 College Libertarians  
 Creation Care Alliance  
 Divine Purpose Gospel Choir  
 Doulos/Acting on AIDS  
 IWU Democrats  
 Student Activities Council  
 Student Government Association  
 World Christian Fellowship

### Sports/Recreation

IWU Budokai  
 IWU Cycling Club/Triathlon Club  
 IWU Running  
 Sixth Man Club

### Honor Societies

Alpha Chi  
 Kappa Delta Pi (education)  
 Phi Alpha Theta (history)

Detailed descriptions of each of these student organizations can be found on IWU's website at <http://wildcat.indwes.edu/student-organizations>.



# Extracurricular Opportunities (cont.)

## Intramural Sports

### Fall

3-on-3 Basketball  
Baseball  
Flag Football  
Golf Scramble  
Raquetball  
Soccer  
Tennis  
Volleyball  
Ultimate Frisbee

### Spring

3-on-3 Basketball  
Basketball  
Bowling  
Sand Volleyball  
Soccer  
Racquetball  
Walleyball



Visit <http://wildcat.indwes.edu/intramuralsports/> for more information.

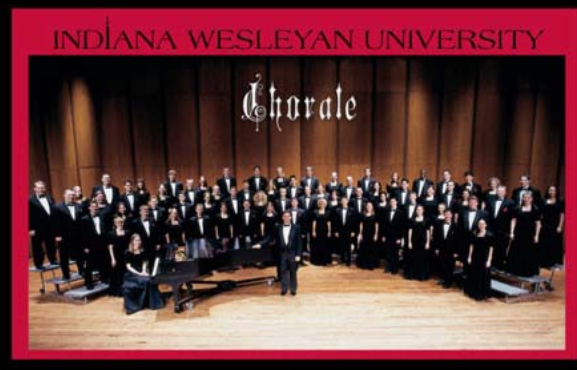
## Residence Life

The mission of Residence Life is to partner in the education of our resident students through fostering purposeful community, life-changing learning, and holistic development in a Christ-centered environment. Because of our commitment to being a Christ-centered academic community, Indiana Wesleyan University takes great care in creating a purposeful environment that achieves that goal. Our primary goal is to ensure students a supportive yet challenging place to live. For more information, visit <http://www.indwes.edu/residence-life>.

## Student Government Association

Want to know what's going on at IWU? A great way to hear the latest news is to attend the weekly Student Government Association (SGA) meetings, held at 10 pm on Mondays in the Student Center Commons. All students are welcome to attend. The Student Government Association represents the total student body on issues and information concerning student welfare and services. SGA also distributes significant funds to student organizations in support of their mission and activities. SGA is comprised of a president, executive cabinet, student organization representatives, and a senate (many of whom are JWHC students — read more about them in the July *Freshman Perspective!*). Elections are held each spring. For more information, visit <http://wildcat.indwes.edu/sga>.

## Musical Groups



Each year IWU's Office of Church Relations recruits, trains, and sends out a wide variety of musical ministry and drama teams to minister at churches, Christian schools, youth activities, summer camps, and special events. The Division of Music also offers a variety of opportunities for involvement, including University Chorale, ensembles, and orchestra. For more details, visit <http://www.indwes.edu/phillippe>.

# Scholar Spotlight

Indiana Wesleyan offers many opportunities for students to use and develop their creative gifts as actors, artists, musicians, and writers. Many students in the Honors College are actively involved in these areas of campus life, two of whom are featured below. Among many other activities, Denny King was a cast member in the spring semester musical, *Where Fortunes Lie*, by IWU professor Todd Syswerda. Natalie Wierenga plays the French horn in band and orchestra; you may also recognize her as one of the JWHC admissions assistants who may have talked to you about your interest in the Honors College.

## Denny King



**Age:** 21

**Year:** Junior

**Hometown:** Twinsburg, OH

**Major:** Nursing, Music

**Life verse:** 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

**Favorite aspect of the JWHC:** Small class sizes; more time with professors

**What I love most about IWU:** Baldwin: make fun of it if you will, but the food is good

**What I do in my free time:** Sing, play guitar/piano, rock climb

**Advice for freshman:** Sleep!! Seriously...cut yourself off at 10 p.m. and get up at 6 a.m. This is what God meant for your body to do.

## Natalie Wierenga



**Age:** 19

**Year:** Sophomore

**Hometown:** Winfield, IL

**Major:** Secondary Education and English

**Life verse:** Psalm 121:1-2

was college searching, I wanted to find a place that I could mature spiritually, socially, and academically. Through the classes I have taken and the people I have met, I feel that I have begun to advance in those three areas. I love IWU because it is Christ-focused and challenges students to achieve excellence.

**What I do in my free time:** I have a few jobs on campus, I am in the wind ensemble, I read a lot (especially outside, Evans lawn is GREAT), and I enjoy going to movies with friends.

**Advice for freshman:** Be organized and prioritized. Remember that studies are important, but relationships are necessary and your relationship with God is foremost. I struggled with having daily devotions until I set aside a specific time to be with God. There are a lot of opportunities and freedoms in college; have fun but keep focused.

**Favorite aspect of the JWHC:** The people. I love being academically challenged, but the students and the faculty make the Honors College a community rather than just a program.

**What I love most about IWU:** IWU has proven itself to be a place that helps its students grow. When I

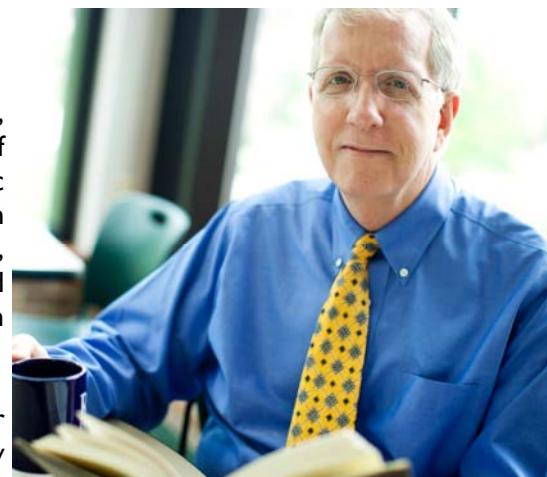
## Introducing Dr. Bressler. . .

### 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 is the senior scholar for undergraduate research in the John Wesley Honors College. He is actively involved in the JWHC, teaching research tutorials each semester and supervising and coordinating undergraduate honors theses. Next spring, he will also teach ENG 180, Honors World Literature.

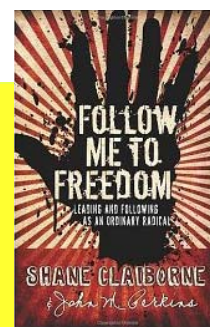
In addition to his teaching and work in the Honors College, Dr. Bressler maintains an active scholarly life. The fifth edition of his text *Literary Criticism: An Introduction to Theory and Practice* (Prentice Hall, 2006) is due out this fall. He has also delivered many scholarly presentations at such 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-six 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 book? Don't forget your required summer reading for IWU: *Follow Me to Freedom: Leading as Ordinary Radicals* by Shane Claiborne and John Perkins. It will be discussed in the first meeting of your UNV 180 class (Becoming World Changers).



# ... And Introducing Dr. Ream & Dr. Toland

## **Dr. Todd C. Ream** **JWHC Senior Scholar for Faith & Scholarship** **Associate Professor of Humanities**



Dr. Ream (B.A., Baylor University; M.Div., Duke University; Ph.D., The Pennsylvania State University) lives with his wife Sara and daughters, Addison and Ashley, in Greentown, Indiana (Home of the Eastern Comets!), where they are members of Jerome Christian Church. Prior to coming to Indiana Wesleyan, Todd served as a postdoctoral research fellow, a dean of students, and a residence director.

In addition to his teaching and administrative duties, his research interests include historical, philosophical, and theological explorations of higher education. He is the author (with Perry L. Glanzer) of *Christian Faith and Scholarship: An Exploration of Contemporary Developments* (Jossey-Bass, 2007) and *Christianity and Moral Identity in Higher Education* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2009). His current book projects include *A Parent's Guide to the Christian College* (with Timothy W. Herrmann and C. Skip Trudeau), *A Critical History of Student Development Theory* (with Perry L. Glanzer), and *A Children's History of Greentown* (with Addison D. Ream).

He has contributed over one hundred articles, reviews, and review essays to a variety of academic journals and popular periodicals including *Big Sky Journal*, *Books and Culture*, *Christianity Today*, *Educational Philosophy and Theory*, *New Blackfriars*, *The Review of Higher Education*, and *Teachers College Record*. He also serves as the book review editor (with Perry L. Glanzer) for *Christian Higher Education* and for *Christian Scholar's Review*.

## **Dr. Lisa M. Toland** **JHWC Faculty & Assistant Professor of Humanities**



Dr. Toland (B.A., Indiana Wesleyan University; M.A., Miami University of Ohio; M.St., University of Oxford; D.Phil., University of Oxford) is proudly and originally from Cedar Rapids, Iowa. She is also an Anglophile having lived in England for five years. She currently resides in Marion, Indiana, and frequently travels to visit family and friends. She has worked extensively in residence life with American students studying overseas.

Dr. Toland researches the social, legal, and economic experiences of early modern English families. She focuses in particular on women's legal and economic situations, as well as the rituals of death, burial, and commemoration. When in England she explores back corners of tiny forgotten parish churches and the lives of the people buried and memorialized in them. She is busy revising several articles for publication on testamentary burial requests by West Country elites, the economic independence of elite single women in 18th century Somerset, and the role of sibling correspondence in familial and individual identity formation.

Dr. Toland spoke at the 2009 IWU Academic Convocation on the Wesley brothers and the "life of the mind." She has most recently been published in *Christianity Today*. Dr. Toland teaches Honors World Civilizations, the History of England, and research tutorials on women in 18th century England and early Methodist female preachers.



# Study Abroad



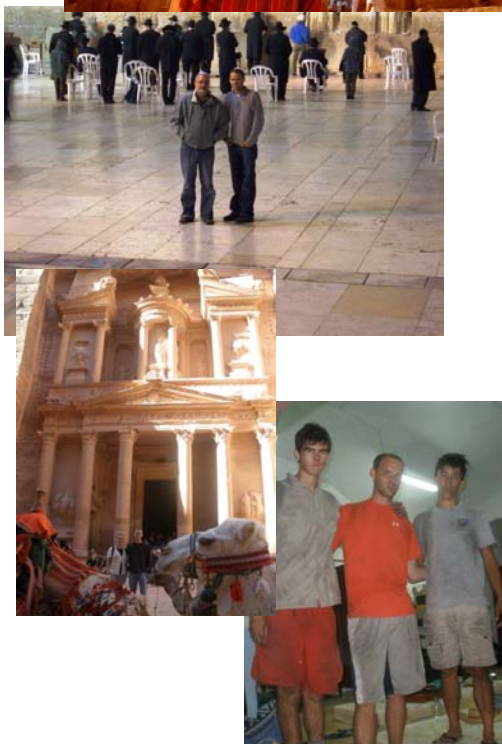
*Andrew Cuthbert, a senior in the JWHC, spent a semester abroad in Israel last fall. We asked him to share a few thoughts about the experience.*

What is it about water that brings so much peace and power all at the same instance? Going to Israel for a semester, I had a high expectation to encounter the Lord wherever I walked. Yet the only places where I could not walk on were the ones where I was able to hear the whispers of God. The times that I was the most still — sitting next to the Sea of Galilee on Yom Kippur, walking across the whole country in a few days, or looking over the Mediterranean Sea by where Jonah had once been — those were the times that I could feel the reality of God in a heart-warming way.

Now that I am more than a half year removed from my semester in Israel, it is interesting what has stuck in my mind. The sights were amazing, my favorites being the Nile River and Pyramids in Egypt, Petra and Jerash in Jordan, and Jerusalem, the Sea of Galilee, Bethlehem, and many more in Israel. The teaching was incredible (still rivaled by several IWU profs) as I had a rabbi, one of the top archaeologists in the world, and Dr. Paul Wright. Translation: the people that write the textbooks we read. Still, the relationships I built with other students and the pictures that remain in my head will be the most lasting memories I will take from Israel.

In my mind's eye, I can still see me and three other stupid, stubborn guys determined to walk from the Mediterranean Sea to Jerusalem in less than two days. It was the quickest, longest walk ever of any Jerusalem University College (JUC) student, but we looked like we had walked through sewers when we got back (well, I guess we did). I can also still picture the "Physical Settings of the Bible" class looking out from Mt. Nebo at our last field trip, just like Moses did, not knowing what our future will hold, but counting it a blessing to just get a glimpse of God's Promised Land. Sometimes I can even taste my favorite schwarma or gelato that I fell in love with, see the smiles of kids that I worked with in Bethlehem, or hear the sounds of Jewish men and women praying at the Western Wall.

An experience in Israel, like any study abroad, is hard to describe in only a few words, but perhaps one of my regular habits can capture the land of the Bible the best. My favorite devotional routine was going to the room of the last supper from JUC, then passing by the Dome of the Rock and Western Wall on my way to the Garden of Gethsemane, before winding up the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre where Jesus died, was buried, and rose. Just the mere knowledge that I walked the same path that Jesus did right before his death makes me shake. Yet it was never about where I was or what happened there. I am beginning to realize that it was all about recognizing my Savior as he pursued me.



# Featured Freshmen

## cameron ames



**Home:** Fishers, IN

**Major:** Computer Science

**Favorite verse:** "I don't know; I'm making this up as I go along." — Indiana Jones, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*

**Hobbies and interests:**

I love to play violin, compose music, play piano, and modify

anything I think is technologically inadequate.

**Best high school experience:**

The class/program called *We the People*: The ten of us in the class studied the Constitution, its origins, theory, application, and Amendments. It was the most intense high school class but the most rewarding.

**In college, I am most looking forward to:**

A fresh start. I always enjoy starting over in a brand new scenario (so long as I am not the only one who doesn't know everything they are supposed to do!).

**If I could have any superpower, it would be:**

The Hulk's radiation. Not exactly the biggest or strongest guy, but the ability to become a lumbering green menace with impenetrable skin and bulging muscles calls strongly.

**Favorite word and why:**

I like the word *leviathan*. Not only does it just sound cool, a friend of mine argues that the leviathan mentioned in Job around chapter 50 is a dinosaur!

**Strange thing I did as a child:**

There are so many options...when I was young, I had a red coat. And red socks that went to my knees. And red shorts. And shiny 3-D glasses. AND a multicolored lightsaber! When I put them all together, somehow I thought I was the red power ranger...and I let my mother get a picture of it.

## gabrielle crofford

**Home:** Mechanicsville, MD

**Major:** Piano Performance

**Favorite verse:** Jeremiah 29:11

**Favorite Quote:** "I haven't understood a bar of music in my life, but I have felt it." — Igor Stravinsky



**Hobbies or interests:**

I enjoy playing piano, spontaneously bursting into song, writing music, participating in drama and musical theater, writing and reading poetry, figure skating, running, hiking, camping, debating, spending time with my family and friends, travelling, and baking (despite how terrible I am at it).

**Best high school experience:**

Making new friends after moving to a different state. While it was difficult at the time, I look back and recognize those challenging months as some of the most influential in shaping my character and my relationship with Christ.

**In college, I am most looking forward to:**

It might sound strange, but I am most looking forward to the professors at IWU. After spending some time at a local community college, I believe that I will truly appreciate having professors who are both passionate about Christ and their position in the classroom. I am also looking forward to making friends, playing new music, and savoring this era of independence.

**If I could have any superpower, it would be:**

I've always thought it would be pretty awesome to be Spiderman.

**Strange thing I did as a child:**

When I was five, and my babysitter would put me in the "time out corner," I would make up impromptu songs (that rhymed) about how much she annoyed me and sing them as loud as I possibly could.

## wesley german



**Home:** Dixon, IL

**Major:** Computer Software Engineering, Music Minor

**Favorite verse:** Romans 8:38-39

**Hobbies and interests:**

I love music. My main instrument is the piano, but I also enjoy playing the drums and bass guitar. I am trying to learn the violin. I enjoy playing sports such as basketball and soccer, and I love watching St. Louis Cardinals baseball. I also love traveling and the outdoors — hiking, camping, etc.

**Best high school experience:**

Winning championships in both soccer and basketball, as well as just having a small class environment in a Christian school

**In college, I am most looking forward to:**

I am looking forward to making new friendships and hopefully starting a band.

**Beverage I would be and why:**

I would like to be lemonade so that I could be sweet and sour.

**Favorite word and why:**

My favorite word would have to be *motley* because it's so motley.

**Strange thing I did as a child:**

I did many strange things as a child, but I would have to say that eating a whole bottle of children's Tylenol pills would be near the top of the list.

**Most nerdy thing I've ever done:**

Sitting in my desk at school, I leaned over to the right, and the desk started to tip. I put my hand on the floor to stop me from crashing to the ground, and the desk crashed on my thumb. My thumb was broken.

## lisa humrighouse



**Home:** Massillon, OH

**Majors:** Biochemistry (Pre-Medicine)

**Favorite quote:**

"There is learning in everything."

**Hobbies and interests:**

Reading, listening to music, sleeping, walking outside, laughing

**Best high school experience:**

I was involved in a lot of extracurriculars in school, but my favorite moments were the ones spent with my family and friends just kicking back and having a good time.

**In college, I am most looking forward to:**

Studying in a field of my interest, not having to cook, and meeting new friends

**If I could have any superpower, it would be:**

Teleportation, because it owns flying

**Beverage I would be and why:**

Red Bull, because I would have wiings

**Favorite word and why:**

I say *dude* more than I would like to admit.

**Strange thing I did as a child:**

I bit people and pushed them down. I was a two-year-old bully.

**Most nerdy thing I've ever done:**

When I was younger I would get grounded from reading, because it proved to be the only effective punishment. One time I did manage to hide a book under my mattress and sneak a read, but don't tell my mom I said that.

## janelle jewel



**Home:** Penfield, NY

**Major:** Art Education and possibly double majoring either in Interior Design or Pre-Art Therapy

**Favorite verse:** Ps. 20

**Hobbies and interests:**

Drawing and painting in all mediums, ceramics, kan jam, running in the rain, rubber duck collecting, missions trips

**Best high school experience:**

Jamaica Missions Trip with my youth group in July 2009: When God gives you the chance to do his work with your own hands, it is indescribable. My favorite part was showing Christ to about one hundred Jamaicans at a VBS program. I met my favorite buddy Maurice (in the picture), who accepted Christ during the trip. Additionally, I saw the most amazing lighting storm on the ocean. When it started, all the electricity went out, and it reminded me of how nothing can ever compare to God's power.

**In college, I am most looking forward to:**

Challenges. I can't wait to grow spiritually, and most of my classmates are staying local. I'm nine hours away from my house, and I'm excited about the relationships I'm going to build with my classmates and teachers.

**If I could have any superpower, it would be:**

I would choose to fly, because it would make it a lot cheaper to travel (which I LOVE to do).

**Strange thing I did as a child:**

My sisters and I would jump off the couch with plastic grocery bags, thinking we were parachuting off an airplane.

**Most nerdy thing I've ever done:**

Making tie-dye T-shirts for gym class with matching sweatbands. My friend and I are going to the Olympics for Kan Jam, and we're going to hand out autographed

## olivia ortmann



**Home:** Kokomo, IN

**Majors:** International and Community Development

**Favorite verse:** Acts 20:24

**Hobbies and interests:**

Piano, singing, reading, hanging out with my family and friends

**Best high school experience:**

Going to Guatemala with my youth group, being involved in Fellowship of Christian Athletes

**In college, I am most looking forward to:**

Growing in my faith, meeting new people, all the awesome classes!

**If I could have any superpower, it would be:**

I would choose to be able to breathe underwater because I've never been very good at holding my breath and I would love to go to a coral reef someday!

**Beverage I would be and why:**

I would like to be sweet tea because it seems that friends always drink it together and then I would be able to witness their friendship.

**Favorite word and why:**

Although I have many, I will have to say *sublime*. I think it is more expressive than *great* or *excellent* but not used as often, and it's just fun to say.

**Strange thing I did as a child:**

I went and saw *Barney's Greatest Adventure* in the theater with my family.

**Most nerdy thing I've ever done:**

Participated in the nerd dress up day during homecoming



## anna robbins



**Home:** Lockport, NY (a small city just north of Buffalo)

**Major:** As of now, Public Relations/Media Studies

**Favorite verse:** Philippians 1:6

**Hobbies and interests:**

Soccer, running/working out, reading, baking/cooking, interior design, piano, hanging out with friends and family

**Best high school experience:**

My tenth grade global history class: I had an amazing teacher, one of the "legends" of my high school. The class was so fun, I learned not only about history but about life as well, and I got to know a lot of people who are good friends of mine now. Other great experiences: my school's winter formal in 10th, 11th, and 12th grade...fun nights to remember!

**In college, I am most looking forward to:**

The lifelong friends I hope to make, going to a new place where I don't know anyone, being able to meet and connect with great people who share common values and who will become close to me

**If I could have any superpower, it would be:**

Ability to time-travel! I have always thought it would be cool to have lived in older time periods, and I wish some things from older times hadn't changed. I love old-fashioned stuff.

**Favorite word and why:**

*Grace.* It is what my name Anna means, and I have been learning the importance of being full of grace. It is something that everyone needs, from God and from other people, and we should freely give it. To me, grace is the essence of beauty and purity.

**Strange thing I did as a child:**

There are so many...but one time my sister and I made "nests" in our backyard out of pine straw and rocks, and we sat on them and pretended to be geese!

## emily smith



**Home:** Carmel, IN

**Majors:** Nursing

**Favorite verse:** Psalm 63

**Hobbies and interests:**

Piano, spending time with my family, traveling on vacations

**Best high school experience:**

Being able to make good friends and going to a wonderful church

**In college, I am most looking forward to:**

Meeting people and making friends

**If I could have any superpower, it would be:**

I would like to be able to fly. Because it's cool!

**Beverage I would be and why:**

I would like to be root beer, because it is sooo delicious.

**Favorite word and why:**

I think that the word *nemesis* sounds really cool, so that might be my favorite word, at least for today.

**Strange thing I did as a child:**

My sister and I would catch crickets, and we tried to teach them tricks, like making them walk up the slide.

**Most nerdy thing I've ever done:**

I took AP Calculus...

## hannah woodard



**Home:** West Lafayette, IN

**Major:** Nursing

**Favorite verse:**  
James 1:27

**Hobbies and interests:**

I love running, playing most sports, reading, playing guitar, and drawing.

**Best high school experience:**

Serving in New Orleans after Katrina to help flood victims

**In college, I am most looking forward to:**

I can't wait to make lots of new friends and learn more about the Lord's love and faithfulness.

**If I could have any superpower, it would be:**

I would definitely fly because flying just sounds like a lot of fun.

**Beverage I would be and why:**

I would be orange juice because orange juice makes everyone happy!!

**Strange thing I did as a child:**

I cried the first time I got a penalty during a soccer game.

**Most nerdy thing I've ever done:**

I memorized the alphabet backwards, so now I am faster backwards than forward.



Questions about the JWHC?  
Contact the office at  
honors.office@indwes.edu  
or 765-677-1441, and we'll  
be happy to help.

### New Student Registration: Don't Miss the Honors College Meeting!

It was great to see so many of you at  
New Student Registration in June!

**Are you coming to New Student Registration in July?** If so, we look forward to meeting with you! All JWHC students who are registering will gather at 9:30 am. Look for more information in your packet when you arrive. You won't want to miss this meeting, in which we'll share all you need to know about registering for honors classes.

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