



Christian Life Connect

~alumni

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First Edition

Principal's Corner

For the past fifteen years that I've been here at CLS, over 700 students have graduated. It has been my honor to be a part of each one of your lives.

My graduation from high school (not CLS) was no doubt a stepping stone in my life, but I felt as though the school would always be a part of me, like my family. Recently my former school has struggled financially and there's a good chance it won't be open anymore. It's a sad loss for me. Here at Christian Life we want to continue to be part of your life.

My prayer is that you know we are still here for you. Christian Life Alumni-



Anna Bailie

Alumni Anna Bailie 2006

The summer following graduation, Anna worked at the RecPlex in Pleasant Prairie and loved it. If you know Anna you'll understand why when you hear children were involved. She has a heart for little ones and loves working with them. Now in her second year at Greenville College in Illinois, she misses the kids, but is hard at work on a double master's in sociology and political science. She says the things she misses most about CLS are orchestra and soccer. She loves to play the violin and it's the girls on the soccer team she misses, she still plays soccer now for Greenville. The one thing Anna doesn't miss: going to school early so her mom (Mrs. Bailie, Jr. High Science) could attend the staff meetings before school. This Christmas break, Anna will be in Colorado snowboarding with her brothers, Tim, Paul (CLS graduates) and Mike (graduating this year). She's a bit desperate for one thing...Starbucks. As impossible as it seems, Greenville doesn't have any! ~ Anna, We pray all goes smoothly as you work toward your goals and hey, there's a new Starbucks one block from CLS, come back and visit!

Alumni Sharrece (LaForge) Meyer 1993

When reminiscing about graduation, Sharrece remembered toilet papering homes after the parties were over, with a few accomplices from school (no names mentioned). It was a memorable night, one that would be followed by yet another a few weeks later, her wedding day. While attending CLS, Sharrece met her future husband, William (1992). Today, they have three beautiful children, Alexis 13, Sabrina 11 and Seth 4. In the summer of 2007, Sharrece and William heeded the call they felt upon their lives to do work for the Lord in New Zealand. Since moving there Sharrece has been active in their church as a volunteer, and has been teaching Sunday school to three and four year olds. Sharrece also gives of her time to help out at Seth's kindie or better Known here in the states as kindergarten. As if this wasn't enough, they are certified foster parents waiting –

Fifteenth Wedding Anniversary
Auckland 2008



Sharrece and William Meyer

you are important to me and this school! Through you we see the past and build a better future. There is nothing I would love more than to sit down and hear about you. So, here's a challenge: call or stop by the school. I promise lunch or a coke on me. Remember the ambiance and delicacies of the lunchroom? Hey, it's yours for the asking. When you come back for a visit you'll see changes and improvements that we have made to the school since you've been gone. Don't be jealous-it was through trial and error while you were here that made Christian Life grow and change for the better.

Looking forward to hearing **your** voice on the other end of the phone. Until then, remember whose child you really are and honor Him in all that you do. – Troy Tennyson



.....Sharrece (LaForge) Meyer continued.....
 --for a child to take care of. Sharrece puts it best in her own words, "We were led to New Zealand because God had a use for us here, to be vessels for Him." ~
 Congratulations to Sharrece and her husband Will on their 15th anniversary!

~ Mrs. JoLynne Sunday ~

1982 was the first year CLS added Jr. High students, it was also my first year. I lived in Michigan, but there 35,000 teachers were unemployed. Wisconsin was the closest state to interview in. The first year's classes were small. Over the past twenty-six years I've taught History, English, Gym, Bible and Art classes for grades six through nine. The poor kids even had me for the volleyball and basketball coach! I have had the privilege of teaching Civics and the joys of teaching High School History. Remember the old yellow school bus? We visited my family farm and one cannot forget the class bonfires on the beach at our Kenosha home! Like any Christian teacher, I glow deep down when former students minister around the country and world. Alumni, the economy looks bad and the media is full of fear, but remember, "Fear not for I am with thee". Continued→

Alumni Mark Jedrzejczyk

If you'd like to see what Mark is up to these days, you'd have to go back to school. Literally. You will find him back in math class. The difference now is he sits in the teachers' seat. Math may be his favorite subject, but the love of his life is his new bride Liz (Caronti). Mark returned to CLS after graduating from Taylor University to substitute teach. When he came back to school for work, Mark met Liz. She works at CLS in the drama department. See Alumni-it pays to come back and visit school! Currently Mark teaches full-time at CLS, and has his sights on finishing his master's degree. Since graduating he has worked as a carpenter (just to prove to himself he could), and has traveled to Italy. He says Italy is amazing but to his surprise Rome seemed like a hot sticky Chicago day. Fact: deodorant can cost as much as \$30.00 for a stick there! Now it all makes *sense*. Mark still plays the cello (You might see him at the upcoming alumni concert on the 18th). He is also an avid reader and dabbles in writing. Just check out his facebook page and you'll see for yourself.

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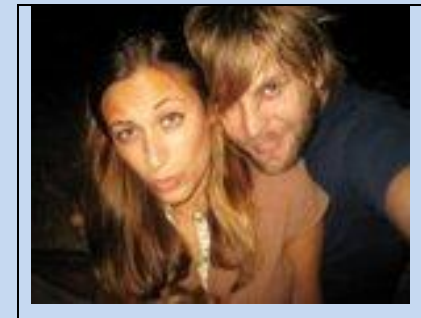
THURSDAY DECEMBER 18TH

PLEASE JOIN US 5:00 – 7:00P.M. FOR SNACKS, ORCHESTRA PLAYS AT 7.

Fear makes the world do stupid things. Step out in faith and do what you hear God telling you.

Love, Mrs. S

Mark and Liz Jedrzejczyk



~Mark congratulations on your wedding! We're Looking forward to hearing when you finish that master's or your first book!