## Myles Chykerda '00

If the years since graduating from CACHS in 2000 have taught me anything it's that one never knows what God has in store for us. At first the options seemed pretty straight forward: I immediately enrolled at the University of Alberta for a double honours degree in Anthropology and Classics. While I was initially interested in the army of mid-Empire Rome I ended up being sucked over to the world of Hellenistic (4th to 1st centuries BC) Greece. Things got a little more interesting in 2004 when I was convinced by one of my professors to enroll in the Masters of Arts program in Humanities Computing. Although I quickly worked through three semesters of course work I became very much distracted by



the real world as I moved into thesis writing mode. I bought a condo in downtown Edmonton, became involved in the community, and continued my active role in the University of Alberta Mixed Chorus. Along the way I piled on more activities such as serving as the Edmonton Heritage Council's first secretary and founding the community website connect2edmonton.com.

Needless to say, the thesis took a while to write. I finally took a leave of absence from work at the Westin Edmonton and finished a 130 page draft in April 2010 which involves a land-scape analysis of a regional defense system in Achaia Phthiotis (southern Thessaly, Greece). When no jobs bit, I applied to PhD programs at Stanford, Pennsylvania, Brown, and University of California of Los Angeles. Due to my abysmal Ancient Greek abilities I received a round of objections from all except UCLA, which accepted me with full funding to the Interdisciplinary Program in Archaeology at the Cotsen Institute for Archaeology.

Summer 2011 involved a month of study season in Greece at the Kallithea Project (www.greekarchaeology.org), 10 weeks of intensive Ancient Greek courses at UCLA, and a September full of moving and getting ready to embark upon a new chapter of life. The year has so far been a supremely challenging yet rewarding two quarters with another 10 week quarter to begin in the first week of April. The current plan for summer 2012 is to once again return to Thessaly for excavation, present a paper at a conference in Athens on June 23rd, and remain in Athens for July through August for modern Greek classes.



Through all of this I've maintained close connections to many of my high school friends from CACHS. Although a majority of my conversations occur through Facebook due to my mobile nature it's always great to catch up with people when I'm home in Lacombe on break. The view of CACHS from my bedroom window in Lacombe has changed significantly since we moved to Lacombe in 1994 but the memories I have of High School remain strong and positive. Walking through the Louvre with Mr. Hoekstra, having my foot set on fire with alcohol by Mr. Vandenborn, and running up and down the hallway with Erin and Christina are just a few images that continue to burn strong.

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Trivia Answers: (1) Madame Hoyt, (2) Mrs. Houle, (3) Jessica Zuidhof '05, (4) Kelsey Krogman '98

### CURRENT TEACHING STAFF

Mel Brandsma – Math 20/30/31, Work Experience/RAP/Green Certificate,

Peter Hoekstra – CALM, English 10, Social 10,30, Psychology

Kevin Reed – Drafting, Accounting 10,20,30, Biology 30, Computers 20,30, Chemistry 30, Photography, Physics 30

Diane Mcleod – English 10,20,30, Biology 20, Drama 20,30.

Rolanda Huizenga – English 20, Foods

Carolyn Hoyt – French 10,20,30, Art 10,20,30

Jenna Vanderveen – Foods, Job Prep, Math 10, Science 10, Biology 20, Chemistry 20

Travis Eggink - Social 10/20, Phys Ed 10/20/30, Religious Ethics

Kim Kaiser – Math 10/20/30, Computers 10, Physics 20, Forensic Science, Religious Meanings

\*Correction on 2001 Reunion Picture from Fall 2011 edition. Maria (Humting) Siemens should be Maria (Humting) Plantinga. We apologize for the mistake.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Fashion Show - April 27 CACHS Play - Macbeth Off Kilter-June 5-7

**10 yr Reunion - Class 2002** - June 23 @ Gary & Melissa Kuipers 5:00pm. Call 403-748-4129

Grade 12 Graduation - June 28

Harvest Fest - October 26



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# 3RD ANNUAL ALUMNI VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT



L-R are Jorgi Flewell, Cassidy Vander Schee, Tashelle Vander Schee, Nahani DenOudsten, Anita Birkland, and Kim Luymes were the members of the winning ladies team going undefeated the whole day with individuals graduating in 2009-2011



L-R are Matt Kooman, David Prins, Andrew Kuipers, Jaden Barthel, Hans Doef, Seth Schalk, and Tyler Capton were the members of the winning mens team with individuals graduating in 2001-2004

The 3rd annual Alumni Volleyball Tournament was held Dec. 17, 2011. Nine teams participated, five in the men's division and four in the women's division. Alumni from 1994 to present high school players competed and the day was filled with reunions, stories of former glory days, and much laughter. Teams battled hard to rediscover skills that have been eroded or enhanced by time and the smell of A535 filled the gymnasium in increasing volume as the day progressed.

The next Alumni Volleyball Tournament is tentatively scheduled for Dec. 22, 2012. Join us for another exciting day of volleyball but more importantly relationships developed at Central Alberta Christian High School.



Dillon Lehman, Nathan Lodewyk, Nathan Lehman, and Josh Van-Doesburg ready for a serve



Ben Folkman and Adam Keller ready to block as Paul Doef sets



Kayla Ekkel setting the ball to her teammate



Coby Doef (Visscher) and Val Thalen (Ingwerson) attempting to block Kelsey Barthel.

#### ALUMNI TRIVIA - Which alumnus or teacher said this?

- 1. "I killed someone once."
- 2. "Everyone stop! You are going to see a mating!"
- 3. "I hate it when chocolate melts, it sticks to your burn and it won't come off...gross!"
- 4. "Keep your snacks hidden if you don't want to share them with Mr. Hoekstra."

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# Mr. Kevin Reed

Please tell us a bit about your background.

I come from a family with 5 children. I grew up near Three Hills on quarter-section my Great Grandfather homesteaded on. As children we played in the old homestead cabin which my father had refurbished. I spent many days fishing and playing games with my Grandfather who lived on the next quarter section. I went to the Three Hills School for all of my schooling and graduated in a class of 33 – similar to many classes at CACHS. I went to Bible school for four years, at Didsbury, at Mountain View Bible College – the school is now Rocky Mountain College. At college I met my wife and after we graduated we were married. We moved to Acme where I worked as a general insurance agent for four years.



Mr Reed in 1994 Slave Auction

Describe your interests while growing up and as an adult.

Many students will recall my involvement in the Parkland Men's Choir. I have always enjoyed music and continue to sing in praise teams at the Lacombe Pentecostal Church where I attend. Since college I've had an interest in running sound and continue to do that at school and church. I am presently involved in two Bible studies and consider them an integral part of my life. A number of students have played slow pitch against me in Lacombe – a sport I continue to enjoy.

#### What initially drew you to a career in education?

As I sat in the office in Acme, I decided I had to do something more with my life. I examined what I felt I was good at and decided that teach-



ing would be a good fit. went to the University of Calgary and achieved a Bachelor of Education.

#### How did you find your way to CACHS?

I taught one year at Alix MACC School. It was a tough first year many teachers will tell you the first vear is very hard - and near the end of the year, my cousin David Allers, who teaches at LCS informed me they were looking for a science teacher at CACHS. I applied and began teaching in the fall of 1990.

#### Describe what you most enjoy about teaching at CACHS?

Teaching at CACHS meant that I was able to share my faith with the students and talk about life with them freely. I've enjoyed leading devotions in the morning and praving with and for students, friends and family alike. Teaching students how to problem solve in a variety of subjects and how to remember concepts has always been challenging. Coaching was a great way to get to know students better outside the class. Working with staff who cared about students has always been a privilege. Just being a bit crazy in the hall was always fun.

One of my fond memories of CACHS has always been the way that the student body has been inclusive. If a student was ready to go out and make friends, there was students and still are students who would and will become their friends. Certainly, there have been clashes between students, but students care about others at our school.

I still look forward to a number of good years at CACHS. Kathy, my voungest is now in Grade 11 and I envision at least another 5 years at CACHS. It's possible that once we are able, that my wife and I may head to a missions organization for at least part of the year. We look forward to God's leading in our lives.

## Past Teachers—Where Are They Now

Jack Vanden Pol — 1989-2011 — Lives in Red Deer and works 3 days a week for Stellarwood Developments in Lacombe and 2 days a week for Parts Source in Red Deer. The combination of both jobs keep him busy and he is enjoying the change of work and responsibility.

Lois Clark — 1989-1990 — Retired from teaching after CACHS and lived in Bentley and then moved to Lacombe. Passed away in 2011.

Cecil Van Neijenhuis — 1989-1990 — In 1991 left to pastor churches, first in Kitchener, Ontario and then in 1993 in Edmonton. In 2009 Cecil left the pastorate and began working for Pastor/Church Relations for the Christian Reformed Church and continues to live in Edmonton.

Peter Boodt — 1990-1991 — Retired in 1996 and now lives in Surrey, BC. J. Abbev — 1990-1991 — can not locate

Thelma Madge-TenHove — 1990-2005 — After CACHS Thelma and her husband Lorne TenHove joined YWAM first for training then went to China for 3 years to teach English for 2 years and then spent the last year as Discipleship Training School (DTS) leaders. From there they moved to New Zealand and continue to work for YWAM as DTS leaders.

Pat Hein - 1995-1996 - Can not locate

Terry Vandenborn — 1996-2005 — Bought "Signmasters" in Lacombe and works fulltime running his business.

Geannette Lehman — 1997-1998 — Lives just south of Red Deer and teaches at Gateway (Red Deer Christian School), Now has 4 children.

James Kralt — 1998-2004 — Went back to school to Calvin Seminary. He is now pastoring at East Paris Christian Reformed Church in Kentwood, Michigan. Marilyn Kralt — 1998-2002 — James and Marilyn now have 4 children. Marilyn is a stay at home mom. She also is active in the church James pastors.

Ella Land — 2000-2001 — Worked part-time in Ponoka Christian school as teacher and vice principal for 6 years and is now retired and lives in Lacombe.

Peter Rosendal — 2001-2011 - Lives in Lethbridge and teaches at Providence Christian School in Monarch, AB.

Grace Pot - 2002-2003 - Moved to Waterdown, Ontario in 2003 where her husband continues to pastor Bethel Christian Reformed Church in Waterdown.

Shane Young - 2004-2006 - Lives in Red Deer and continues to create works of art and operates "Shane Young Artist Studio and Gallery". Currently also works part-time for government run "Winters Inn".

Leanne Doornbos — 2004-2007 — Went to Calvin College to finish her Masters of Education Degree. In 2010 Leanne married Doug Nagel. Leanne currently teaches at Calvin College and lives in Grand Rapids Michigan.

Andrea Thalen — 2004-2005 — Andrea and her husband Henry live on a farm in Ponoka. They have 4 boys.

Jennifer Houle -2005-2010 – Jen and her husband Paul, live in Cochrane, AB. They have adopted 3 children.

Jane Weber - 2006-2008 - After CACHS Jane married Scott Butler who an associate pastor in the Church of the Nazarene in Rocky Mountain House, AB, Jane works part time in the church office and part time for family services.

Jordan Hall — 2007-2009 — Lives in Belleville, ON. Jordan and his wife Deanna have a Lyr, old daughter. He works part-time for the Belleville Bulls hockey team and stays at home taking care of his daughter while his wife works full time.

Tawnya Willing — 2007-2008 — Tawnya and her husband Michael Sayler live in Lacombe. They have one child and are expecting their second.

Bonnie Kaip-Leenstra — 2007-2010 — Lives in Lacombe and works with her husband Fred in their business "Leenstra Landscaping".

# **ALUMNI UPDATES**

## Frank Berg '93



Frank in 1993

I really enjoyed my years at CACHS! Starting in the portable and moving to the building with the great wide halls, there was so much opportunity for us as students to learn in our classes and to create our own fun during the breaks. Making a vocal group with some other students was really fun, as was the choir that we did with Ms.Madge. After graduating from High School in 1993 Frank went to Briercrest Bible College to pursue a B.A. in Music. In 1994 he met Heather Cassie and in

May 1996 they were married in her hometown of Huntsville, ON. After completing college in 1999 they moved to Huntsville, ON where Frank began offering piano and singing lessons privately. From 2000 to 2009 Frank was Music Director at Huntsville Alliance Church. In 2002 their first daughter Meeda was born. In 2004 their second daughter Sylvie was born. In 2005 Frank began teaching the Music for



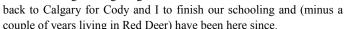
Young Children program (www.myc.com) in addition to private lessons. In 2006 Heather founded a Soup Kitchen in Huntsville, www.thetablesoupkitchen.com. It now serves two meals a week and has expanded to a Food Bank as well. In 2007, their third daughter Isabel was born. In 2009 Frank became District Coordinator for Music for Young Children, and now supervises, supports, recruits and trains about 90 teachers in a large region of Ontario. In 2010 Frank renamed his studio "Muskoka Music Centre" and hired additional teachers for drums, guitar, and piano. There are now 5 teachers including Frank. teaching 180+ students a week.

## Elizabeth (Perley) Bargholz '97

I'm glad I was asked to write for the CACHS alumni newsletter as I often think back to my 'CACHS' days. It's where I made some great friends, dressed in unmistakably mid-90's fashion, and met my future husband.

I graduated from CACHS in 1997 and worked for three years prior to attending the Business Administration program at S.A.I.T. I married my husband Cody Bargholz in 2002 and moved to Slave Lake

where he was doing his internship year for his Electrical Engineering degree. We moved



Since High School I've had the opportunity to do some traveling. I was able to do two short-term mission trips with the ministry DRIME, first to St. Petersburg, Russia and then to Nairobi, Kenya. I've also managed a few family trips to various destinations and hope to do



The last fifteen years have been filled with schooling, establishing careers, traveling and building a family. Currently I'm a happy fulltime Mom of two healthy, bright, and hilarious kids. We had our son Erik in 2007 and our daughter Brynn in 2009. We are enjoyng watching them grow up and are lookng forward to many

fun adventures as a

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family.

# **NEW STAFF BIOGRAPHIES**



#### Travis Eggink

Landing in Edmonton and driving to Lacombe this past Spring had me feeling like I was driving somewhere familiar. I grew up on an egg farm in Haldimand County, Ontario, a place with big trucks, bigger tractors, and Tim Hortons. I graduated with a B.A. in History and PE from Redeemer University College in 2010, and with from B.C., and from spring to winter, experienced many forms of extreme

to our time here as the country air is a welcome smell!



#### Kim Kaiser

Hi - my name is Kim Kaiser, a recent addition to the CACHS staff. My past areas of teaching are Sciences, Math and Physical Education. Before I became a school teacher, I was a supervisor, teacher and lifeguard in a recreation setting for about 20 years, all I can say is those years were fun but very wet.

The past year for me has been one of changes as I recently got married in March, moved to Alberta

a B.Ed from the University of Western Ontario Alberta weather (floods, a tornado and real hail), as a BC girl I am feeling this past spring. I got married in June to Mary- way more educated about more than just rain. Despite all those changes Lynne, and we are excited to start out here in Lacombe. We look forward though, God has really blessed me with a new family, a wonderful husband and now the opportunity to teach at CACHS. Who knew that leaving recreation for education three years ago would lead to so many blessings?



