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### **HUFFMAN RECEIVES** WILSON AWARD

WILSON HALL

ACCOLADE

JUNE 2023

Annabelle Huffman '23 was pre-

sented the 52nd John S. Wilson

Award at the graduation ceremony

held at Patriot Hall. This prestigious

award, which is the highest honor a

Wilson Hall student may receive, is

presented to the graduating senior

who possesses the ideal qualities

of a Wilson Hall student. The recip-

ient is selected based on his or her

academic achievement, leadership

abilities, character, and contribu-



Annabelle Huffman '23.

tions to the school, community, and church. The selection of the recipient is made by the unanimous vote of the committee consisting of three faculty members, the head of school, a member of the executive board of the PTO, a member of the board of trustees, and a member of the Wilson family. Given in memory of her father, who was one of the founders of the school, Mrs. Helen Wilson Taylor '76 presented the award during the graduation ceremony.

### SONNTAG NAMED STATE SCHOLAR/ATHLETE

Sarah Sonntag '23 was awarded the Bill Simpson Award that recognizes the most outstanding male and female scholar-athlete in the S.C. Independent School Association. Each of the over 120 schools that are members of SCISA may nominate a scholar-athlete for this award, which is the highest award SCISA bestows upon a student. A resume with Sarah's academic and athletic ac-



complishments, along Mr. Mike Fanning & Sarah Sonntag '23 CONTINUED

The SCISA 4A State Champion Softball Team celebrates their victory.

# SOFTBALL WINS THIRD CONSECUTIVE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP



For the third year in a row the varsity softball team captured the S.C. Independent School Association state championship, this time in the newly formed 4A division. Coached again by Mrs. Teresa O'Hare Alexander '98, the Region Championship team ended the season with a record of 27-6.

A number one seed in the state tournament, the team defeated Hammond School 14-2 in the guarterfinals and Augusta Christian School 6-0 in the semifinal to advance to the championship series. Facing Laurence Manning Academy, the Bar-CONTINUED

## Linginfelter Presented Watt Award

Peyton Linginfelter '23 received the Larry K. Watt Award presented by the S.C. Independent School Association to recognize the academic service-based achievements of seniors. It is one of the highest awards presented by the association, which has over 120 member schools, and Peyton is the only student who attends a 4A school in SCISA to receive the award. To be eligible for the award, the student must be nominated by the school and recommended by the head of school. The nominee must have a minimum of 50 hours of documented community service after June of the student's junior year and a minimum 3.0 GPA. Once nominated, the student must submit a 500-word essay outlining the importance of community service as well as three letters of recommendation from school or community leaders who have personally witnessed their service initiatives.



Peyton Linginfelter '23

## **Hendrix Retires from Board**

*Mr. Ronnie Hendrix* stepped down from the Board of Trustees after 10 years of service. He served as the Finance Committee Chairman, and he was a member of the Executive Committee.

#### SONNTAG...CONTINUED

with a recommendation from *Mr. Fred Moulton*, Head of School, was forwarded to the selection committee at SCISA that made the final decision. The criteria for the award include SAT score, class rank, involvement in extracurricular activities, academic and athletic achievement, coaches' recommendations, and community service record. *Sarah* is the 13th Wilson Hall student to receive this award; Wilson Hall has had more students receive this award than any other school in SCISA.

### SOFTBALL...CONTINUED

ons won the first game 5-2 in dramatic fashion in the last inning at the team's home field at Patriot Park. After losing the second game, forcing a third game in the best of three series, the championship game was played at Sumter High School as a neutral site. In front of an enormous crowd, the Barons claimed a 2-1 victory in the last inning to capture the trophy.

The team was led by Ashlyn Elmore, Sophie Greene, Dani Hanley, Ellie Stone and Amberly Way, Class of '23. Completing the team were Kaylan Boudreau '25, Abby Bradley '24, Addie Griffin '26, Talan Griffin '24, Sullivan Jarecki '24, Logan Mims '25, Aubrey Payne '24 and Marybeth VanPatten '24. Assisting Mrs. Alexander in coaching were Mrs. Emma Catoe Ayres '13 and Mr. Jerry Allred.



Caitlyn Schumacher '23 & Sarah Sonntag '23

Sarah Sonntag '23 was presented the Valedictorian Medal for having the highest grade point average in the class, and Caitlyn Schumacher '23 was presented the Salutatorian Medal for having the second-highest grade point average. To receive this honor, a student must have attended Wilson Hall for the entire sophomore, junior and senior years. The students were presented their medals at the Senior Awards Program.



Peyton Gratz '23 & Coker Cutler '23 are ready for the Senior Awards Program to begin.

# MR. MOULTON

*Mr. Fred Moulton* retired after 38 years of service to Wilson Hall, the last 35 as Head of School, capping a 44-year career in education. Involved in every aspect of the school, his leadership has benefited countless students and faculty, leaving a legacy that will continue to benefit Wilson Hall for generations. *Mr. Moulton* served longer than any other head of school, leading Wilson Hall for most of its 56-year existence.

As the head of school *Mr. Moulton* supervised the expansion of the school facilities, leading the fundraising for and construction or renovation of every building and athletic facility on campus. To recognize his dedication, the school's newest 25,000 square foot addition is named the Moulton Center.

Enrollment has doubled and the size of the faculty and staff has tripled during his term. With the vision of creating the best college preparatory school in the region, Mr. Moulton expanded the depth and breadth of the challenging curriculum. He established the computer science, engineering, and technology department, with Wilson Hall offering more courses in these areas than any school in the region. Mr. Moulton created the performing and visual arts department, ensuring that there is ample display for student work and venues for student performances. The variety of classes offered has tripled, and the school now offers 22 Advanced Placement courses.

In support of our youngest students, *Mr. Moulton* started the three-year-

Mr. Fred Moulton

old and four-year-old preschool programs. He created the before and after school care, summer care, and summer camp programs which involve hundreds of students. *Mr. Moulton* was instrumental in the founding of the Chapel Program and Junior Class Retreat, as well as the establishment of the Honor Code.

With his leadership, the number of athletic teams has increased to include boys and girls bowling, boys and girls cross-country, equestrian, girls golf, boys and girls scholastic shooting sports, boys and girls swimming, and volleyball (varsity, JV and b-team), and soccer (varsity and JV) returned. *Mr. Moulton* also established B-teams for middle school students in baseball, boys and girls basketball, cheerleading and football. During his tenure, **CONTINUED** 

#### MR. MOULTON...CONTINUED

the school has won 52 state championships.

To enhance the school experience of our students, the number of extracurricular activities has increased twofold with *Mr. Moulton's* direction. Some of the activities and organizations added under his supervision are the Art Club, Battle of the Books, Chess Team, Competition Dance Team, Debate Team, First Priority Christian Club, Instrumental Ensemble, Spring Musical, and Theater Club. During *Mr. Moulton's* tenure, Wilson Hall has won 255 individual and team state titles and awards in extracurricular competitions.

A teacher at heart, Mr. Moulton taught Life Science to seventh grade students for over 20 years, and he escorted his students on the three-day trip to Barrier Island each spring. He was recognized by his peers and voted the Middle School Teacher of the Year, and he was one of three finalists for the South Carolina Independent School Association State Teacher of the Year Award. Mr. Moulton also started the driver's education program at the school, teaching it for 23 years. He was the first coach for B-team boys basketball, which he led for years, and he served as an assistant coach for the varsity boys basketball team. Prior to taking the helm of our school, he served as the Assistant Head of School for three years.

As one of the longest serving heads of school in the history of the South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA), *Mr. Moulton's* reputation as a leader was well known throughout the state. He served as the SCISA Vice Chair and was on its Executive Committee and State Trust Committee on Investments. He was also SCISA's Academic Committee Chair, Athletic Committee Vice-Chair, Nominating Committee Chair, and Ethics Committee Chair. *Mr. Moulton* served on the Palmetto Association of Independent School Board of Directors.

*Mr. Moulton's* leadership went beyond the borders of our state, as he held numerous positions for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). He was an Elementary & Middle School Commission member, served as the state representative for South Carolina independent schools, was a member of the State Committee on Communications and School Relations, and served on the State Accreditation Team. Nationally, *Mr. Moulton* served on the Southeastern United States Technology Commission.

*Mr. Moulton* was well recognized for his commitment to and involvement in education, in turn bringing recognition to Wilson Hall. He was awarded the Order of the Palmetto, the state's highest honor bestowed upon civilians, and the City of Sumter issued a proclamation establishing Fred Moulton Day. *Mr. Moulton* won the 92nd Battalion Award for Outstanding Military Support, and the readers of The Sumter Item voted him Best Local School Principal 14 times.

SCISA recognized his leadership early in his career, presenting him the Best New Headmaster of the Year Award. This was followed by three Charles J. Beach Volunteer of the Year Awards and the Dr. Charles S. Aimar Education Leadership Award. He is the only head of school to receive all three major awards presented by SCISA.

*Mr. Moulton* was the voice of the Barons, announcing football games and basketball games. In addition to attending thousands of athletic competitions, both in and out of town, he also worked in the concession stand and helped maintain the athletic facilities. Leading by example, *Mr. Moulton* worked in the cafeteria and assisted with cleaning the campus.

One of the most important legacies created by Mr. Moulton is the relationships he has formed with students, parents, and faculty. Greeting students by name every morning demonstrated that he took a personal interest in them, and by seeking them out to congratulate them on their successes and encouraging their efforts, it was clear that Mr. Moulton was their biggest cheerleader. He often reached out to students privately, either with one of the thousands of hand-written notes he sent or with a discreet meeting in his office or hallway, offering them support when needed.

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has positively impacted two generations of <sup>1</sup> students at our school, and his selfless work for our school ensures that generations to come will benefit from the Wilson Hall experience.

thank you!

## DIXON, DRIGGERS, HALEY & HANSON RETIRE

At the conclusion of the school year, the following faculty members who are retiring or departing Wilson Hall were recognized and presented gifts at the faculty luncheon by *Mr*. *Fred Moulton*, Head of School. *Mr. Moulton* was also recognized by *Mr. Eddie Talley*, Assistant Head of School. Along with *Mr. Moulton*, the four retiring faculty members have a combined 180 years of service to Wilson Hall.

*Mrs. Susan Driggers* is retiring after a 49-year career, one of the longest ever at Wilson Hall. She has worked in the business office taking care of payroll, accounts receivable & accounts payable, insurance, taxes, faculty payroll deductions, and administration of a multi-million-dollar budget, among many other things. She began in the front office working as the school secretary before moving to the position of bookkeeper, a title she held before the advent of computers. A picture of discretion, *Mrs. Driggers* helped many parents deal with their financial issues. Known to loan students money for lunch, she earned the affectionate nickname of Mama Susan.

*Mrs. Becky Haley* is retiring after 45 years of service. She has worked as the executive secretary and has been the gate-keeper of the school, receiving all calls and welcoming all visitors. In addition to working as *Mr. Moulton's* secretary, she also helped the rest of the faculty with their needs, and she helped parents & students in many ways. *Mrs. Haley's* office is the heart of the school, and she was responsible for knowing about everything that goes on at school, and about everyone at the school. In addition to serving as a secretary, she was also a nurse, counselor and friend to many students and faculty members throughout the years.

*Mrs. Nancy McElveen Hanson '71*, a third-grade teacher, is retiring after 38 ½ years of teaching, the last 25 at Wilson Hall. She was voted by her peers as the Lower School Teacher of the Year, and she received the Margaret S. West Excellence in Teaching Award.

*Mrs. Louise Shaw Dixon '78*, a fourth-grade teacher, is retiring after 37 years of teaching, the last 23 at Wilson Hall. Elected by her peers as the Lower School Teacher of the Year, she was one of three finalists for the S.C. Independent School Assoc. State Elementary Teacher of the Year competition. *Mrs. Dixon* received the Margaret S. West Excellence in Teaching Award.

The following faculty members, who have served at least three years at Wilson Hall, departed at the conclusion of the school year.

*Mrs. Cheryl Landstrom* is departing after 19 years of service to Wilson Hall. She worked in the business office and taught Advanced Placement European History. In the past she taught Advanced Placement English Literature, English IV, Senior Writing, Honors English III, English II, Shakespeare, Best Loved



Mrs. Susan Driggers.

Mrs. Becky Haley



Mrs. Nancy Hanson McElveen '71. Mrs. Louise Shaw Dixon '78

Plays, 8th Grade Grammar & Composition, and 7th Grade Study Skills. Previously, *Mrs. Landstrom* was the co-advisor for the Student Council, and she was an advisor for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, First Priority, Literary Magazine, and Baron Mentors. She also served as an assistant coordinator for the graduation program, a Senior Class Advisor, and a grade level chair. *Mrs. Landstrom* coordinated international trips, escorting students to England, France, Ireland, and Scotland. In 2013 she was named the State High School Teacher of the Year by the S.C. Independent School Association after being elected by her peers to represent the school. *Mrs. Landstrom* also won the Margaret S. West Excellence in Teaching Award, the Teacher Inspiration Award, and the Distinguished Teacher of Reading Award, and she was elected by the students to serve as the Senior Last Day Luncheon speaker.

*Ms. Carmen Haley* is leaving after 15 years at Wilson Hall. She taught Pre-Calculus I, Honors Algebra II, Algebra II Plus, and Algebra II. Previously, she taught Honors Geometry, Geometry Plus, Geometry, Honors Algebra I, Algebra I, and Pre-Algebra. *Ms. Haley* was an assistant coach for the JV girls basketball team and she served as a Grade Level Chair. In the past she was the advisor for the High School Chess Team and Middle School Math Team, and she was an assistant coach for the track and field team. Elected by her peers as the High School Teacher of the Year, she was one of three finalists for the S.C. Independent School Assoc. State High School Teacher of the Year competition in 2016.

#### DIXON...CONTINUED

*Mrs. Mary Beth Mims* is leaving after six years. She is one of the inaugural teachers of the three-year-old preschool, helping to establish the program at our school.

*Mrs. Erin Smith* is departing after three years. She taught Biology, Ecology and Environmental Science, and Marine Biology. *Mrs. Smith* was the High School Chess Team advisor and the co-advisor for the Prom Committee. In the past she served as an assistant advisor for the JV cheerleading squad, and she was the inaugural advisor for the SCUBA Club. *Mrs. Smith* was selected by her peers as the High School Teacher of the Year.



Annabelle Huffman '23

## Huffman Receives Moersen Award

Annabelle Huffman '23 received the Lisa Moersen Service to School Award which was created to recognize a senior who has actively served Wilson Hall for the duration of his or her school career. She was presented the award by *Mrs. Moersen's* son, *Mr. Neal Moersen '06.* 

*Mrs. Moersen* was a long-time parent, friend, and volunteer of our school. When she and her family arrived at Wilson Hall in 1994, *Mrs. Moersen* quickly began volunteering. She worked in the cafeteria, the concession stand at athletic events, and actively participated on the PTO Board. She was elected to the Athletic Association Board in 1995 and was a member for 25 consecutive years, serving as president for the last six years. Most notably, half of *Mrs. Moersen's* tenure took place without a family member participating on an athletic team.

The Lisa Moersen Service to School Award is presented to a student who has shown a similar love for and commitment to Wilson Hall, a commitment born from care and consideration rather than obligation.





Mrs. Lori Brown

Mrs. Lynn Davis

## Brown and Davis Presented West Award

*Mrs. Lori Brown* and *Mrs. Lynn Davis* received the Margaret S. West Excellence in Teaching Award at the end-of-the-year faculty luncheon in May. Accompanying the plaque was a check from the West Foundation for \$1,000. This award is presented to one lower school and one upper school faculty member who exhibits excellence in teaching through interest and enthusiasm of the subject matter, and who show genuine compassion for his or her students. The financial contribution is given to the recipients in honor of their active interest in learning. The selection committee for the award consists of a member of the West family, the head of school and the lower school head.

*Mrs. Brown* teaches Advanced Placement U.S. History, U.S. History, and 8th Grade U.S./S.C. History. She serves as the Social Studies Department Chair, and she is the music director for the spring musical. *Mrs. Davis* is a second-grade teacher.



### Brown Receives Reynolds Award

Parks Brown '31 was presented the Lynn H. Reynolds Award during the Lower School Awards Program. The award is presented to the fourth-grade student who meets life's challenges with a positive attitude, possesses a never-ending zest for life, has an appreciation for music, and a love for nature. Dr. and Mrs. Phil Brandt established the award in memory of Lynn, who would have graduated with the Class of '92. Accompanying the plaque is a check for \$1,000 that is applied toward the recipient's tuition.

Parks Brown '31

## Eldridge, Ford and Sears Receive Distinguished Alumni Awards



Mary Cothonneau Eldridge '08

Mary Cothonneau Eldridge '08, John Patton Ford '00 and John Patrick Sears '14 are the recipients of the 29th Wilson Hall Distinguished Alumni Awards.

Mary Cothonneau, an attorney, lives in Columbia where she works as a law clerk for a federal judge. She graduated cum laude from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts in English and history, and from the University of South Carolina School of Law with a Juris Doctor. In law

school Mary Cothonneau served as the associate editor in chief of the South Carolina Law Review and as historian of Phi Delta Phi legal honor society. She was a recipient of the Bockman Scholarship and a member of the Order of the Wig and Robe and Christian Legal Society. A member of the South Carolina Bar Young Lawyers Division, she serves as the Membership Committee Co-Chair and is a former Special Olympics Committee Co-Chair. Very involved in her community, Mary Cothonneau is an active member of the Junior League of Columbia. She is the co-vice chair of the 2023 Holiday Market, served as the Staging Committee Chair, and she was the Holiday Ball co-chair and Preview Party co-vice chair. A member of Junior Achievement of Greater South Carolina, she served as the Young Professional Auxiliary Committee Co-Chair. Mary Cothonneau is a former member of the Columbia Museum of Art Contemporaries Board of Directors, serving as vice president, and she was the Art Auction Co-Chair and Sponsorship Committee Co-Chair. She is a member of the Spooky Spirits Committee at Camp Cole, a camp and retreat for children, teens, and adults with illnesses, disabilities, and life challenges. Mary Cothonneau is a graduate of Leadership Columbia, and she is a member of First Presbyterian Church.



John lives in Los Angeles, California, where he is a writer and director. His most recent film which he directed and wrote, 2022's Emily the Criminal starring Aubrey Plaza, received four nominations at the 38th Independent Spirit Awards, including Best First Feature, with John winning the award for Best First Screenplay. The crime-drama, which premiered at the Sundance Film Festival and reached the top 10 on Netflix, is a New York Times Critics Pick and

earned a score of 94% on Rotten Tomatoes. John received a

nomination by the Directors Guild of America for Outstanding Directorial Achievement in First-Time Feature Film, and he won the Best Feature Film and Best Director awards at the Annapolis Film Festival, the Audience Award at the Deauville Film Festival, and the Best Directorial Debut Award at the Philadelphia Film Critics Circle Awards. The National Board of Review named it one of the Top 10 Independent Films for 2022, and John and the film garnered an additional 15 nominations from 13 film and critic organizations. John has worked as a screenwriter for ten years, executing re-writes for Disney, Sony and Universal, and he has directed television commercials for brands such as Audi, Guinness, and Tide. He is currently working on a new movie to begin filming in September in Toronto, Ontario. John graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts in media arts and from the American Film Institute with a Master of Fine Arts in directing. His student film, Patrol, premiered at the 2010 Sundance Film Festival.



John Patrick is a professional baseball player with Major League Baseball's Oakland Athletics in California where he is a starting pitcher. His MLB debut was with the New York Yankees in 2022. In his second start for the Yankees last June, he became the third pitcher in franchise history to throw at least five scoreless innings in each of his first two MLB starts. He exited the game to an ovation at Yankee Stadium. As one of the top pitchers for the A's, JP had a strong showing in May

John Patrick Sears '14

with a 3.25 earned run average and 25 strikeouts in five starts. Out of college, JP was chosen by the Seattle Mariners in Round 11 of the MLB draft and pitched in its minor league organization. He was named to the Minor League Baseball All-Star Team in 2017. In late 2017 he was traded to the New York Yankees organization where he pitched for the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders, a AAA minor league affiliate of the Yankees in Pennsylvania. JP, who graduated from The Citadel with a Bachelor of Science in business, received numerous accolades while playing for the college. He was the Division I leader of strikeouts and held the individual game record for the most strikeouts (20) in 2017, and he was named the Southern Conference Pitcher of the Year. He was named to the American Baseball Coaches Association All-Atlantic Region First Team, the Collegiate Baseball/Louisville Slugger All-American Second Team, and the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association All-American Third Team. JP was a four-time Collegiate Baseball/Louisville Slugger Player of the Week, a five-time Player of the Week, and a Player of the Month. He was named to the Media First Team, Coaches First Team, and the All-Freshman Team. JP's home is in Mount Pleasant, and he is engaged to marry Aileen Twohig in December.



Caroline Warr '23

## Warr Presented Smith Award

*Caroline Warr '23* is the recipient of the Charles T. Smith Award which is presented annually to a student who has given outstanding service to the school, community and/or church. Established to honor *Mr. Smith*, who served for 30 years as the school's athletic director, the award is accompanied by a check for \$250.



Mary Parish Williams '24

### Williams Presented Unsworth Award

Mary Parish Williams '24 received the Barbara Moses Unsworth Award at the Upper School Awards Program. Established in Barbara's memory by her classmates (Class of 1973), the award is presented to the most well-rounded member of the Junior Class who possesses the ideal qualities of leadership and scholastic excellence. A committee consisting of an administrator and two members of the faculty who teach juniors select the recipient from a list of faculty-nominated juniors.

## Four Tapped for Veritas in Unitate Society

Sean Galloway, Brianna Johnson, Peyton Linginfelter and Caroline Warr, Class of '23, were inducted into the Veritas in Unitate Society during the Senior Awards Program. The society is a student award program developed to recognize academic service-based achievement of senior students throughout the S.C. Independent School Assoc. To be considered students must be nominated by their school and have a minimum of 50 hours of documented community service between June of the student's junior year and October of the student's senior year. Nominees, who must have a minimum grade point average of 3.0, are required to write an essay outlining the importance of community service, provide three letters of recommendation from school or community leaders who have witnessed their service activities, and receive a recommendation from their head of school.



Cooper Lee, Gracie Shook & Abram Davis, Class of '35

## KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION

The Kindergarten Graduation Program was held in the Nash Student Center on May 19. After the students processed into the gym, *Mr. Eddie Talley*, Lower School Head, welcomed the crowd. *Wilson Lloyd '35* offered the invocation, followed by *Hunter White '35* leading the Pledge of Allegiance and *Owens Ripley '35* singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Led by *Mrs. Julia Sims-Owens*, lower school music teacher, the class sang "Growing," "Catch the Rhythm" and "Shalom."

*Mr. Talley* presented the diplomas to the students and offered closing remarks before the graduates and guests sang the Alma Mater. After the recessional, the new graduates joined their guests and teachers in front of the Nash Student Center for refreshments and photo opportunities. *Mrs. Jeanna Mahr*, PTO Hospitality Chair, and her committee provided the decorations and refreshments. The program was coordinated by the kindergarten teachers, *Mrs. Mindy Busch, Mrs. Amy Jones*, and *Mrs. Jean Dunn White '78*.



Abel Ayres '27

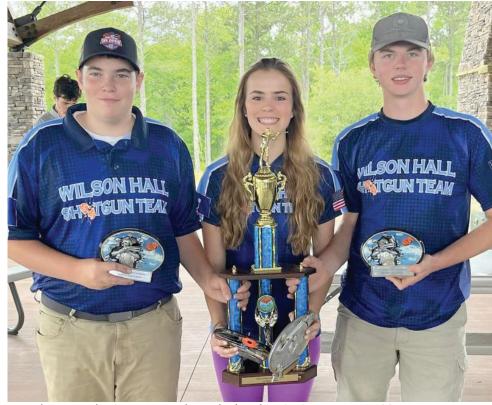
## Ayres Receives DuBose Award

Abel Ayres '27 was presented the James M. DuBose Award at the Upper School Academic Awards Program. This award is given to the eighth-grade student who displays a strong love for Christ, constantly strives to do his or her best in academics and athletics, has a positive attitude, encourages others, and always demonstrates compassion for all. The award, established by the Class of 1998, is given to honor the memory of Jamie. A committee consisting of school administrators and faculty members selected Abel from a list of faculty-nominated eighth graders. Accompanying the plaque for the award is a \$600 check that the recipient must apply toward tuition or designate for an academic or athletic need at Wilson Hall.

## SHOTGUN TEAM TOP IN STATE

The team of *David Texas Ardis '25, Ann Weathers Blankenship '24* and *James Hiott '23,* representing the Wilson Hall Shotgun Team, was the first-place South Carolina team and third-place team overall at the Department of Natural Resources Southeastern Combine held at the Palmetto Shooting Complex in Edgefield. *Ann Weathers,* who placed first in ladies skeet, second in ladies sporting clays, and second in ladies trap, was the Ladies High Overall winner and tied for fourth place overall in the tournament. *James* placed third in skeet.

To participate in the invitation only competition, teams must have participated in the Governor's Cup trail consisting of the skeet open, trap open, and the sporting clay open. Team members could participate in any or all three of the clay target disciplines (trap, skeet, and sporting clays). Teams representing states from throughout the Southeast participated.



David Texas Ardis '25, Ann Weathers Blankenship '24 & James Hiott '23

Members of the Class of '22 return to campus to visit the English 12/ Senior Seminar classes, taught by Mrs. Molly Simpson Matthews '93, to give insight on their college freshman experience. Students at either The Citadel, Clemson or USC, the young alumni discussed classes, majors, campus & social activities, time management, and dorm life, among other topics.

Pictured: Tyler Mahr, Anna Hays Shuler, Hugh McLaurin, Mary Jones, Sarah Margaret Branham & Tate Sistare.



### Hall/Hanson Named Star Student/Teacher

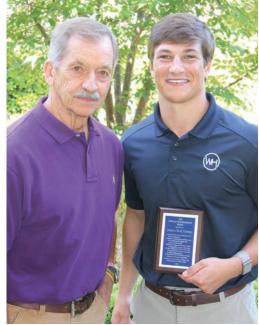
Each year the student who achieves the highest score on the SAT, has a minimum GPA of a 4.0, and has attended Wilson Hall since the 11th grade receives the honor of being named the Star Student, and this year the honor went to Jada Hall '23. In turn, the student has the great privilege of choosing the Star Teacher, who is one of the faculty members who has greatly influenced his or her education at Wilson Hall. Jada chose Mrs. Kristall Hanson, who taught her Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles. The Star Student and Star Teacher each presented speeches at the Senior Awards Program.



Jada Hall '23 & Mrs. Kristall Hanson

## Kinney & McCord Receive Brabham Award

Clark Kinney '24 received the John M. Brabham III Award at the Upper School Academic Awards Program. The criteria for this award are as follows: A sincere love and compassion for his classmates; confidence in his intellectual proficiency and to be intellectually engaged with members of the faculty; enthusiasm among class members in order to bring positive support to the whole; an eager willingness to work in an around the school in order to improve or promote the Wilson



Mr. Chuck McCord & Clark Kinney '24

Hall experience; an appropriate sense of balance between having fun and being competitive; and living as an example of being a big brother at Wilson Hall. A \$1,000.00 gift accompanies the award which is to be designated to an academic, artistic, or athletic need at the school, or to the tuition of the recipient or to another student's tuition. The Brabham family established the award in memory of John who would have graduated with the Class of 2011.

As the award recipient *Clark* had the honor of choosing a faculty member to receive the award, and he chose *Mr. Chuck McCord*, a science teacher.

## Fred Moulton Day

To thank the school for the opportunity to serve for the past 38 years, a party for Mr. Fred Moulton, Head of School, was held on May 20. While the purpose of the party was to give Mr. Moulton the opportunity to thank everyone for their support, it was also a way for the school and its supporters to offer thanks to him for a job well done. Parents and faculty, both past and present, alumni, and friends of the school gathered in front of the Nash Student Center to socialize and enjoy beverages and food provided by Southern Pride Catering, What the Food Truck, and SweetFrog Yogurt. Everyone proceeded to the Founders Chapel where Mr. William Croft '90, Chairman of the Board, introduced Mr. Moulton who delivered the invocation before offering a heartfelt speech giving thanks, receiving a rousing standing ovation from the standing-room-only crowd of over 300 guests. As a surprise, Mayor David Merchant presented Mr. Moulton with a proclamation declaring May 20, 2023, as Fred Moulton Day in Sumter. The event was coordinated by Mrs. Laura Barr and Mrs. Martha Jo Smith Johnson '99 of the Development Office.



Mr. Fred Moulton & Mr. David Merchant

## Bradley, Cooper, Humphries & Smith Win Gold at State Track Meet, Boys State Runner-up



Four state champion athletes won a total of five gold medals for winning their events in the SCISA 4A State Track Meet:

Members of the boys track team pose with the SCISA 4A

State Runner-up trophy.

Emma Bradley '23	400 hurdles
Sumter Cooper '23	400 hurdles
Hugh Humphries '25	high jump
Connor Smith '23	1600 and 3200.

The Region Champion boys track team (84-3) was the 4A state meet runner-up, and the Region Champion girls track team (83-5) finished fourth in the meet. *Mr. Rip Ripley* is the head coach for both teams.

In the state meet, the top six finishers in each event earn points for the team, and the top three finishers of each event make the winners podium where they are presented medals.

Abby Bradley '25	2nd - 4x800 relay, 5th - 4x400 relay, 6th - high jump
Emma Bradley '23	. 1st - 400 hurdles, 5th - 4x400 relay
Tucker Burnette '24	. 3rd - 4x100 relay
Daniel Burton '24	2nd - high jump
Lucy Buxton '25	. 5th - 4x100 relay
Sumter Cooper '23	
	2nd - 4x400 relay,
	3rd - 110 hurdles
Alli Reagan Fidler '24	. 2nd - 4x800 relay
Helen Fitzpatrick '24	. 2nd - 4x800 relay

Jennings Frerichs '24	4th - 4x800 relay
Wilson Frerichs '23	
	4th - 4x800 relay
Lori Flemming '23	
	3rd - triple jump,
	5th - 4x100 relay,
	6th - 100
Milling Galloway '25	
Mary Margaret Griffin '24	5th - 100 hurdles, 5th - 4x100 relay
Caleb Howle '23	3rd - 4x100 relay
Hugh Humphries '25	1st - high jump
Molly Jones '25	2nd - 4x800 relay,
	4th - 400,
	5th - 4x400 relay
Jane McAdams '25	6th - 400 hurdles
Lee Mims '23	2nd - 4x400 relay,
	4th - 4x800 relay
Maggie Norris '24	5th - discus
Aubrey Payne '24	2nd - discus,
	4th - javelin,
	6th - shot put
Connor Smith '23	1st - 1600
	1st - 3200,
2n	id - 800, 2nd - 4x400 relay
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Hugh Humphries '25, Connor Smith '23, Sumter Cooper '23 & Emma Bradley '23

Jordan Thornton '23 5th - 4x400 relay
<i>Blake VanPatten '24</i> 3rd - 4x100 relay, 5th - 100
Amberly Way '23 2nd - shot put, 5th - javelin
Boykin Wilder '23
4th - long jump, 5th - pole vault
Camryn Wilmes '25 5th - 4x100 relay
Bennett Wilson '24 4th - 4x800 relay

The following served as assistant coaches for the track teams which had over 100 students participating: *Mr. Dwain Burton*, *Dr. Linda Crabbe*, *Mrs. Ellen Holloman*, *Mr. Brian Jackson*, *Mrs. Emily Jackson*, *Mr. Dylan Reese '07*, *Mr. Blane Russell '10*, *Mrs. Katherine Schwartz*, *Mr. Dustin Smith*, *Mrs. Kristine Smith*, and *Ms. Shanna Thomas. Mrs. Mary Peyton Zilch Clepper '14* was the athletic trainer, *Mr. Sam Watford '17* supervised the fitness center, and *Mr. Kurt Wilson* was the meet manager.



Sara Helen Simmons '25

## Simmons Wins Chappell Award

Sara Helen Simmons '25 was presented the John W. Chappell Award recognizing excellence in U.S. History at the Upper School Academic Awards Program. The Chappell Award recognizes the student who has a genuine love for U.S. History, maintains at least an A average in the course, and demonstrates high moral character and citizenship qualities. The award was established in memory of Mr. Chappell, who served on the board of trustees and had three daughters who graduated from Wilson Hall: Laura Chappell Bauknight '83, Cile Chappell Wildrick '85 and Molly Chappell McPhail '87.

### Lower School Awards Program

The Lower School Awards Program was held in the Nash Student Center on May 24 to recognize achievement throughout the school year. *Wil Alexander '30* opened the program with the invocation, and *Emmy Trueblood* '32 introduced the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by *Sarah Burns Brown '34* and *Lottie Rowell '34. Riley Coker, Lauren Kohl* and *Benjamin McIver*, Class of '30, led the singing of the national anthem, and *Caitlin Jenkins '30* welcomed the audience to the program.

Certificates were presented for reading, citizenship, and academic honors, and special awards were presented by *Mr. Eddie Talley*, Lower School Head. As a surprise, the students sang "Shalom" to *Mr. Fred Moulton*, Head of School, which was followed by the singing of the Alma Mater, led by *Parks Brown*, *Carson Burnette* and *Parker Chewning*,



Grace Locklear '34 is pictured with her teacher, Mrs. Courtney Moore, after the Lower School Awards Program.

Class of '31. *Lucas DuBose '30* offered the closing remarks. *Mrs. Day Caughman,* School Counselor, coordinated the program and *Mrs. Julia Sims-Owens*, a music teacher, directed the musical portions.

The Citizenship Award is presented to one student in each class who most exemplifies the following characteristics: obedience, responsibility, respect, and cooperation. The following students were recipients of the award, one of the highest awards a lower school student may receive:

Class of '30	Morgan Coddington, Elisa Getz & Aiden Kooistra
Class of '31 Wi	nnie Day Caughman, Addison Hines & Clara Zimpleman
Class of '32	. Lyla Caughman, Camden Reese Horton & Mia Wagner
Class of '33	Abby Carter, Ellie Engle & Sela McLeod
Class of '34	Benjamin McLeod, Kennedy Raybon & Carmen Thomas



1: George Johnson '33 completes the wacky obstacle course. 2: Sarah Burns Brown '34 bounces to the finish line. 3: Davis Williams '34 & Thomas Jones '34 have fun competing in the 3-legged race. 4: Hannah Roodman '32 hops in the sack race.

# FIELD DAY

Field Day was held on Spencer Field on May 21 for students in grades 1-5. Wearing class t-shirts, stu-

dents participated in over a dozen activities such as the sack race and the obstacle course, culminating in the fifth-grade tug-of-war. To cool off, students enjoyed Kona Ice. Sponsored by the PTO, the event was coordinated by *Mrs. Erin McArthur* who was assisted by *Mrs. Nancy Lee Zimpleman* and over three dozen parent volunteers.





### Baker Presented Young Award

Ashley-Reid Baker '23 received the William F. Young Academic Achievement Award at the Senior Awards Program. The award recognizes students who have exhibited the greatest improvement in his or her grade point average during the school year. In addition to recognizing achievement, this award was created to motivate students in their pursuit of learning. It is given by Dr. and Mrs. William F. Young in honor of their children, Lynn Young Anthony '81, Rick Young '83 and Sarah Young Gessner '87, who graduated from Wilson Hall, and in honor of the faculty and administration who guide, nurture, educate and motivate students.

The underclassmen who received the award at the Upper School Academic Awards Program were Elizabeth Busch '24, Michael Lauzon '25, Sophie Miller '26, Jacob Cartrett '27, Divya Patel '28 and Siena LeDeatte '29.



Ashley-Reid Baker '23

## Baron Book Club

To encourage reading, students in 1st-5th were rewarded with special field trips for meeting benchmarks in the number of pages read throughout the year. To attend the trips students had to read the following number of pages from books of their choice (assigned reading does not count toward the goal): 1st - 2,000, 2nd-4th - 4,000, and 5th - 6,000. With *Mr. Eddie Talley,* Lower School Head, the 1st & 2nd grades visited Chuck E. Cheese in Sumter, 3rd & 4th grades went to the Chuck E. Cheese in Columbia, and the 5th grade visited Plex HiWire Sports Center in Columbia



Adelyn Santos '34 enjoys one of the many games at Chuck E. Cheese during the reading recognition trip.



### DANCE MARATHON RAISES OVER \$10,000

Wilson Hall students raised \$10,271 for the Prisma Health Children's Hospital by hosting its seventh annual Dance Marathon. In partnership with the University of South Carolina Dance Marathon, which raises over half a million dollars every year through the Children's Miracle Network, the money raised will go to support bettering the lives of children at the hospital. As the main community service project that the school sponsors, Wilson Hall raised a total of \$98,273 for the cause during the past seven years.

Although the school was unable to host an actual dance mini marathon this year, it did host a variety of events throughout the year. In addition to the donations made through the Miracle Network's website and the Be the Change Campaign, the Dance Marathon Committee raised money through the Knockout Basketball Competition, Nothing Bundt Cake sale, and Sweatpants for Exams campaign. Money was also raised through sales of t-shirts, sweatshirts, and wristbands in honor of John Morgan Bates '23, and through the Winter Chill Semi Formal hosted by the Student Council.

Mrs. Valerie Schoeppner served as the faculty advisor for the student-led program, and Emma Bradley '23, Bailey McInerney '23 and Caitlyn Schumacher '23 were the co-executive directors.



TOP: Molly Montgomery '33 points to her artwork displayed at the Art Showcase. RIGHT: Zoe Miller '23, a student in the AP Drawing class, poses by her featured art display.

## Art Showcase

The 12th Wilson Hall Art Showcase featured the artwork of students in preschool through twelfth grade, and each art student had at least one piece of artwork in the show which featured over 1,000 works of art (ceramics, drawings, paintings, photographs and sculptures). The art teachers are *Mrs. Rachel Jones Brown '00, Mrs. Renee Norton* and *Mrs. Tara Schumacher.* 



CollegeBoard Advanced Placement Program

## Record Number Take AP Exams

A record number of 244 Advanced Placement Exams were taken by Wilson Hall students in May. In 20 AP courses, 135 students either took an exam, submitted a portfolio, or submitted an AP Research project. Ninety-six percent of the Class of '23 took at least one exam, another school record. *Mrs. Susan Barfield*, Academic Dean, coordinates the AP program.

For the AP Program, sponsored by The College Board, high school students across the country and around the world take AP courses and exams to challenge themselves, explore their interests, and earn college credit and placement. Nearly all colleges and universities in the United States grant credit and placement for qualifying AP scores.

Wilson Hall offers 22 AP classes, more than any school in the region, in the following academic disciplines: Arts, English, History & Social Sciences, Math & Computer Science, Sciences, and World Languages & Cultures. The classes are taught at the college-level by specially trained faculty.



Sumter Cooper '23

## COOPER SIGNS WITH WOFFORD

Sumter Cooper '23 committed to participate on the track & field team at Wofford College. A signing ceremony, held in the Nash Student Center, was attended by fellow students, faculty, coaches, and family. Sumter is a member of the track & field team coached by Mr. Rip Ripley.

### Smith & Way Athletes of the Year

Connor Smith '23 and Amberly Way '23 are the Wilson Hall Athletes of the Year and were recognized at the Spring Sports Pep Rally. Connor was a member of the bowling, cross-country, and track and field teams, and Am*berly* was a member of the basketball, softball, volleyball, and track and field teams.



5. Amberly Way '23 & Connor Smith '23



#### Sarah Sonntag '23

### Sonntag Signs with Swarthmore

Sarah Sonntag '23 committed to participate on the track & field and volleyball teams at Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania. A signing ceremony, held in the Nash Student Center, was attended by fellow students, faculty, coaches, and family. Sarah is a member of the volleyball and track & field teams coached by Mr. Rip Ripley.

## Talley Chosen as Speaker

The school celebrated the last day of classes of the seniors with the Last Day Luncheon on May 16. Held in the Nash Student Center, the program featured a keynote speech by *Mr. Eddie Talley*, Assistant Head of School, who was selected by the class. Seniors and their parents enjoyed a lunch catered by Southern Pride Barbeque followed by plenty of photo opportunities. At the end of the school day, the senior officers offered parting words to the underclassmen over the loudspeaker before joining in the hall to sing the Alma Mater. The program is coordinated by *Mrs. Laura Barr* and *Mrs. Martha Jo Smith Johnson '99* of the Development Office.

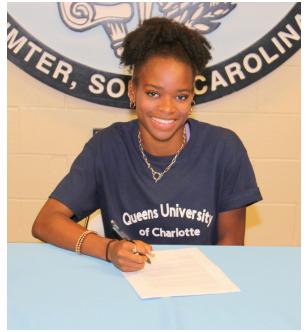


Mr. Eddie Talley

## SCISA HONOR GRADUATES

The S.C. Independent School Association awards certificates of honor to students in recognition of excellence in scholarship. Recipients must have a minimum 3.5 GPA in academic subjects for seven semesters, have scored at least 1100 on the SAT, and be recommended by the head of school.

The following members of the Class of '23 received this recognition at the Senior Awards Program: John Morgan Bates, Jerry Brown, Sumter Cooper, Cameron Coulter, Maddie Crawshaw, Sam Fisher, Conner Galloway, Sean Galloway, Maggie Garrity, Sophie Greene, Justin Grynkewich, Jada Hall, Annabelle Huffman, Peyton Linginfelter, Bailey McInerney, Rebekha Patel, Cody Peyton, Jack Poag, Syd Richardson, Steve Scholz, Caitlyn Schumacher, Shrey Sheth, Sarah Sonntag, Jordan Thornton, and Hampton Watson.



Lori Flemming '23

## Flemming Signs with Queens

Lori Flemming '23 committed to participate on the track & field team at Queens University of Charlotte. A signing ceremony, held in the Nash Student Center, was attended by fellow students, faculty, coaches, and family. Lori is a member of the track & field team coached by *Mr. Rip Ripley*.

# Yearbook Recognized

The 2021-22 edition of the school's yearbook, *Idylls*, was recognized in the S.C. Independent School Association State Publication Competition. It received the award for Best Layout & Design, and it received honorable mentions in the Best All-Around, Photography and Theme Development categories. *Mrs. Lauri Peyton* is the yearbook advisor and *Sarah Margaret Branham '22* served as the editor for the edition which had the theme All In.

## Frerichs & Sonntag Receive Britton Award

The Dr. and Mrs. John J. Britton Academic Awards are presented to one female and one male athlete who maintain the highest grade point average during an athletic season. The spring recipients were *Jenning Frerichs '24* (track & field) and *Sarah Sonntag '23* (track & field) and they were presented their awards at the Spring Sports Pep Rally.

## Bradley & Frerichs Receive Spencer Award

*Emma Bradley '23* and *Wilson Frerichs '23* received the Gaither Spencer Memorial Track Award at the Track & Field Awards Dinner. Given in memory of Mr. Spencer, the award is presented to the team members who show great dedication and determination, and who attend every practice and track meet.

## COOPER & FISHER SCHOOL'S FIRST CAPSTONE DIPLOMA CANDIDATES

Sumter Cooper '23 and Sam Fisher '23 are Wilson Hall's first Advanced Placement (AP) Capstone Diploma Candidates. Wilson Hall is the only school in the area approved by the College Board to offer the AP Capstone Diploma Program, which is based on two, yearlong AP courses: AP Seminar and AP Research. The AP Capstone Diploma is granted to students who earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on four additional AP Exams of their choosing.

Rather than teaching subject-specific content, the AP Research and Seminar courses develop students' skills in research, analysis, evidence-based arguments, collaboration, writing, and presenting. Both courses guide students through completing a research project, writing an academic paper, and making a presentation on their project. Students who complete the two-year program can earn one of two different AP Capstone awards (diploma or certificate) which are valued by colleges across the United States and around the world.

The College Board developed the AP Capstone Diploma program at the request of higher education professionals who saw a need for a systematic way for high school students to begin mastering these skills before college. Only 38 schools in South Carolina offer the program and Wilson Hall is one of only five private schools in the state to offer it.



Sumter Cooper '23 & Sam Fisher '23



Grace Stewart '29 accepts the Lamp of Knowledge for history from Mr. Lee Gandy.

Helen Fitzpatrick '24 receives the Lamp of Knowledge for Marine Biology.



## UPPER SCHOOL ACADEMIC AWARDS PROGRAM

To recognize academic achievement throughout the school year, the Upper School Academic Awards Program was held in the Nash Student Center for students in 6th-11th grades. There were 77 Lamp of Knowledge presentations by department chairs to the students who earned the highest grade in each course, and 11 plaques presented for special named awards. New members of the Beta Club and National Honor Society were also inducted.

To begin the program *Mr. Lee Gandy*, Middle School Head, asked the audience to stand as the Class of '24 processed into the gym as the instrumental ensemble, directed by *Mr. Scott Warren*, provided the music. *Jane McAdams* '25, Stu-

### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Jacob Bostic '24	AP English Language, Economics, French III
Abby Bradley '25	-
Elizabeth Busch '24	
Leslie Diaz '24	
Frances Mac Elmore '25	
Ryder Erk '26	
Helen Fitzpatrick '24	
Jennings Frerichs '24A	
	Government, Pre-Calculus II-H
Carson Geddings '26	Drawing I
Jacob Geddings '25	Computer Programming I
Josie Jackson '25	
Dylan Jones '24	English 11
Jeremiah Jones '24	AP Chemistry
Clark Kinney '24	
Michael Lauzon '25	
Emmi Leard '24	Drawing III
Sam Leard '26	Algebra I Plus
Davis Lee '24	
Caroline McElveen '24	
Austin McLaurin '26 English	
Logan Mims '25	
Kadence Newman '25 G Rhayne Owens '24	

dent Body Vice President, offered the invocation, followed by *Milling Galloway* '26, Student Body Secretary, leading the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. *Slade Custer* '24, Student Body President, welcomed the crowd before the awards were presented. At the program's conclusion, students stood to sing the Alma Mater before the Class of '24 recessed from the gym. The program was organized by *Mrs. Susan Barfield*, Academic Dean.

The following students received a Lamp of Knowledge for obtaining the highest grade in the course (AP=Advanced Placement, H=Honors):

Sara Hayes Ridgeway '25 Ba	aron Publications, Sculpture III
Paige Sanders '26	Film Studies
Logan Schumacher '25	Engineering II
Ella Sill '26	Graphic Design
Sara Helen Simmons '25 AP U.S. I	History, Algebra II-H, Anatomy,
	Engineering I, Latin III
Liz Singkhonket '26	Ceramics I
Kayla Stanley-Linton '26	Algebra I
Mary Ellen Thorne '26	Biology, French I
Michael Warrick '25	Robotics II
Camryn Wilmes '25	2D Design
Bowen Zitzke '26	Spanish I

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

Abel Ayres '27	Algebra I-H, History
Luke Evangelisti '29	Science
Hannah Grace Harkrader '28	Pre-Algebra I Plus
Ella Hodge '28	Pre-Algebra I
Caroline Moorman '27	English
Claudia Rhodus '27	Composition-H, Science
Cameron Salzer '29	Study Skills
Maxwell Smith '27	English-H
Kira Stelle '28 Comp	osition, History, Literature, Science
Land Stevens '27	Composition
Grace Stewart '29 Cor	mposition, History, Literature, Math
Savannah Wells '27	Pre-Algebra II
Ethan Wilson '28	Pre-Algebra I-H

## SENIOR AWARDS PROGRAM



Rebekha Patel '23 accepts her Book Award for earning the highest grade in the Ecology & Environmental Science class.

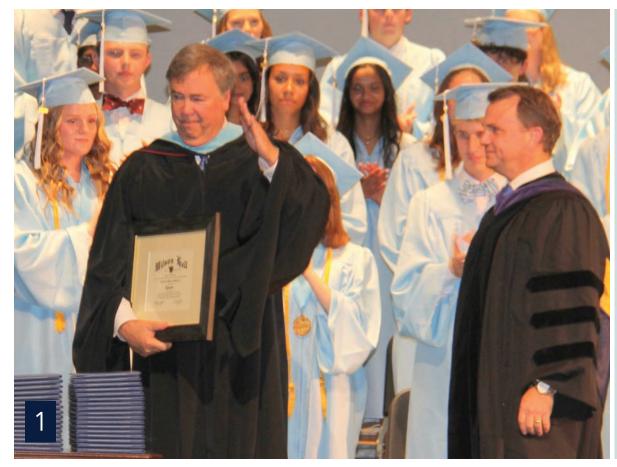
To recognize the achievements of the Class of '23, the Senior Awards Program was held in the Founders Chapel on May 22. After the seniors processed into the chapel, Mr. Brent Kaneft '00, Associate Head of School, welcomed the quests and Class Secretary Emma Bradley offered the invocation. Class Vice President Will Singleton led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Class President Wilson Frerichs delivered the Senior Address. Department Chairs presented book awards, with personal inscrip-

tions from teachers, to students who earned the highest grade in each course. Special named awards and the salutatorian and valedictorian medals were presented, honor graduates were recognized, and the Star Student & Star Teacher presented their speeches. The program concluded with the singing of the Alma Mater and the recessional. Following the program, the Senior Luncheon was held at the home of *Cameron Coulter*. The program was coordinated by *Mrs. Sarah Smith*, College Counselor, who was assisted by *Mrs. Rachel Jones Brown '00* and *Mrs. Molly Simpson Matthews '93. Mr. Scott Warren* played the keyboard for the processional and recessional, and *Mrs. Leigh Edmunds Mc*- *Laurin '92* provided the floral arrangement. The following members of the Class of '23 were presented book awards (AP=Ad-vanced Placement):

Ashley-Reid Baker English 12/Senior Seminar
Campbell Bauman AP Spanish Language & Culture
Cameron Coulter Honors Calculus
Maddie Crawshaw AP French Language & Culture
Sudie Grace Cromer Spanish II
Sam Fisher AP Research, AP Statistics
Sophie GreenePsychology
Jada Hall AP Calculus, AP Computer Science (JAVA), AP Physics
James HiottTrigonometry
<i>Peyton Linginfelter</i> Health & Human Development, Photography I
Dominic Marro Introduction to Statistics
Zoe Miller AP Art (Drawing)
Rebekha PatelEcology & Environmental Science
Caitlyn Schumacher AP Art (Sculpture), Philosophy
Connor Smith Physics
Sarah SonntagAP Biology, AP English Literature & Composition,
AP Human Geography, AP U.S. Government & Politics
Caroline Warr



Shrey Sheth, Vruj Patel, Syd Richardson, Jackson Mahr & Jack Poag, Class of '23, pose for a photo after the Senior Awards Program in the Founders Chapel.



- 1. Mr. Fred Moulton, Head of School, is presented an honorary Wilson Hall Diploma by Mr. William Croft '90, Chairman of the Board.
- 2. Wilson Frerichs '23, Class President, delivers the invocation to begin the commencement program.
- 3. Brogdon Galloway '23 is presented his diploma by Mr. William Croft '90.
- 4. Mrs. Becky Haley & Mr. Chuck McCord lead the faculty into the auditorium as the Class of '23 applauds. As a tradition, the seniors line the hall to applaud the faculty.

## Class of 2023 Graduates

The 66 members of the Class of 2023 received their diplomas during a commencement ceremony held the evening of May 25 at Patriot Hall. As part of the 54th class to graduate from Wilson Hall, the members of this class are now among the 2,973 people who count themselves as one of our school's alumni. The commencement ceremony was coordinated by *Mrs. Sarah Smith*, College Counselor, and she was assisted by *Mrs. Rachel Jones Brown '00* and *Mrs. Molly Simpson Matthews '93*.

Prior to the ceremony, the soon-to-be graduates lined the hallway to applaud the faculty as they made their way to the auditorium to be seated. As the instrumental ensemble played Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance," the junior marshals led the Class of '23 into the auditorium to take their place on the stage.

Class President *Wilson Frerichs* offered the invocation, which was followed by speeches by Salutatorian *Caitlyn Schumacher* and Valedictorian *Sarah Sonntag*. The 52nd John S. Wilson Award was presented to *Annabelle Huffman* by *Mrs*. *Helen Wilson Taylor '76*.

Mr. William Croft '90, Chairman of the Board,





**5.** Emma Bradley '23 and her classmates process out of Patriot Hall as the faculty lines the steps to applaud, a Wilson Hall tradition. **6.** John Morgan Bates '23 makes his way down the stairs to the applause of the faculty.

made a special presentation of an honorary Wilson Hall diploma, the first ever given, to *Mr. Fred Moulton*, Head of School in recognition of his 38 years of service to the school. A surprised *Mr. Moulton* received a standing ovation from the crowd of over 800.

Mr. Keller Kissam, President of Dominion Energy South Carolina and a former member of the Wilson Hall Board of Trustees, was the keynote speaker. *Mr. Croft* presented the diplomas and *Mr. Moulton* offered his final confirmation of graduates before he asked them to move their tassels from right to left, announcing that they are now graduates.

*Mr. Moulton* referred to the 2010 commencement address of Mr. Dan Cathy, Chairman of Chick-fil-a, about "passing the baton" to the next generation when Mr. Cathy distributed batons to the parents of graduates. *Mr. Moulton*, who kept one of Mr. Cathy's batons, called *Mr. Brent Kaneft '00*, the new Head of School, to the stage to pass the baton to him, marking the official beginning of his role as the ninth head of school.

The recessional music, titled "Legacy," was another surprise to *Mr. Moulton* as it was not attributed to a composer in the program. The piece was a compilation of music that *Mr. Moulton* composed through the years and *Mr. Scott Warren*, Instrumental Ensemble Director, arranged specially for the ceremony.

The Class of '23 stood to sing the Alma Mater as a group for the last time before the faculty recessed from the auditorium to line the steps of Patriot Hall to applaud as the new graduates exited. As his last act as head of school, *Mr. Moulton* recessed behind the new graduates. After gathering in front of Patriot Hall, the members of the Class of '23 tossed their caps in unison to celebrate their transition from students to alumni.

SAT SCOLES Top Score: 1520 Average score of top 25% of class: 1399 Average score of entire class: 1199

The 66 members of the Class of '23 completed 4600 hours of service to the school and community from April 2022-April 2023.



Ashley-Reid Baker '23, Caroline Warr '23 & Ava Sliwonick '24 welcome Toby, a licensed pet therapy Great Pyrenees, to their health & human development class which was discussing different types of therapy. The class is taught by Mrs. Allyson Lowder Sanders '96.

## **Class of '23 College Decisions**

Every senior gained acceptance to a four-year college or university, and the 66 members of the class received offers of admission to 87 schools in 24 states and four countries.

*Madison ArchebelleE	Baylor University
Ashley-Reid Baker Savannah College of	Art and Design
**John Morgan BatesCle	-
Campbell Bauman University o	-
	Sumter
*Emma BradleyCle	
Conor Breen S	-
**Jerry BrownCle	
<i>MJ Bullard</i> University o	
Brady Campbell Central Carolina Te	
+**Sumter Cooper	-
**Cameron Coulter	0
**Madison Crawshaw Colleg	
	Honors College
**Sudie Grace CromerCle	
Coker CutlerUniversi	2
Ashlyn Elmore Southern Wes	• •
+**Samantha Fisher University (	•
Lori Flemming Queens Univer	•
Wilson Frerichs	0
Brogdon Galloway	
*Conner GallowayBene	-
*Sean GallowayBene	-
*Maggie GarrityAnd	
	necock Gateway
**Sophie GreeneCle	mson University Honors College
**Justin GrynkewichNew	v York University
**Jada HallCle	mson University Honors College
*Dani Hanley Lime	
	Honors College
James HiottGeorgia Sou	
Caleb Howle University of	
**Annabelle HuffmanCle	-
*Brianna Johnson Penn State Univer	, ,
Noah Kennedy University of **Peyton LinginfelterCle	
*Jackson Mahr	
	Bridge Program
Dominic Marro University or	• •

** <i>Bailey McInerney</i> United States Military Academy at West Point
<i>Landon Miller</i> University of South Carolina Sumter
*Zoe MillerClemson University Bridge Program
Lee Mims University of South Carolina
Cody MitchellUniversity of Dayton
Will Overby Winthrop University
Nathan Owens Savannah College of Art and Design
Thomas Parrish University of South Carolina
*Dhruva Patel University of South Carolina
**Rebekha PatelClemson University Honors College
*Vruj Patel Drexel University
**Cody PeytonClemson University
*Jack PoagDrexel University
Samantha Richards College of Charleston
*Syd RichardsonClemson University
Meredith RogersAnderson University
*Steve ScholzClemson University
** <i>Caitlyn Schumacher</i> University of South Carolina
Jes SchwedlerHorry-Georgetown Technical College
**Shrey ShethUniversity of Virginia
Will SingletonThe Citadel
Connor Smith Charleston Southern University
**Sarah SonntagSwarthmore College
Matthew StelleClemson University Bridge Program
Ellie Stone William Peace University
<i>Walker Terry</i> University of South Carolina Sumter
* <i>Jordan Thornton</i> University of South Carolina Upstate
Caroline Warr Converse University
*Hampton Watson University of South Carolina
Amberly Way Southern Wesleyan University
Boykin WilderThe Citadel

+ Advanced Placement Capstone Diploma Candidate
\*\*Distinguished Honor Graduates: 4.75 average or above
\*Honor Graduates: 4.25-4.74 average

Every member of the class was offered a merit-based scholarship, with the class receiving over \$7.2 million.

## SPRING ATHLETIC AWARDS

### **VARSITY BASEBALL**

Grayson Alexander '24	Most Improved Player
Jones DesChamps '24	Baron Award
Dylan Jones '24	Best Defensive Player
Clark Kinney '24	Best Offensive Player
Ben Reynolds '24	Best Pitcher
Jes Schwedler '23	Most Valuable Player

### **JV BASEBALL**

Tyler Jordan '25	Ace
Gavin Lamb '25	Baron Award
Owen Meyers '25	Most Improved Player
Cooper Scott '25	Best Offensive Player

#### EQUESTRIAN

*Elizabeth Busch '24*.....Coach's Award Josie Jackson '25...Hunt Seat High Point & Sportsmanship Award

### GOLF

John Morgan Bates '23	Player of the Year
Wilkes Burnette '28	Most Improved Player
Cody Peyton '23	Most Valuable Player

#### **VARSITY SHOTGUN**

David Texas Ardis '25	Men's Sporting Clays
Ann Weathers Blankenship '24 Sporting Clays	Trap Award & Women's
James Hiott '23 Skee	t Award & Top Gun Award

#### **JV SHOTGUN**

Jack Bowman '25..... Men's Sporting Clays Lucy Hayes Mims '26.... Women's Sporting Clays

#### **VARSITY SOCCER**

Jackson Bonser '25	Offensive Most Valuable Player
Cameron Coulter '23	Coach's Award
Brogdon Galloway '23	Most Valuable Player
Jeremiah Jones '24	Defensive Most Valuable Player

#### **JV SOCCER**

Abel Ayres '27	. Offensive Most Valuable Player
Luke Banar '26	. Defensive Most Valuable Player
Bryce Hanson '26	Coach's Award
Logan Pauly '26	Most Valuable Player

### **VARSITY SOFTBALL**

Abby Bradley '25	The Baron Way Award
Ashlyn Elmore '23	Coach's Award
Talan Griffin '24	Impact Player
Sullivan Jarecki '24	Best Defensive Player
Marybeth VanPatten '24	Best Offensive Player
Amberly Way '23	Most Valuable Player

Ryan Griffin '27 returns the serve in a varsity match. The team, coached by Mrs. Natalia Hardalua, advanced to the state semifinals.



### **JV SOFTBALL**

Mary Paisley Geddings '28	Most Valuable Player
Jenna Green '27 Offens	sive Most Valuable Player
Caroline Moorman '27	Hustle Award
Lilly Grace Przybyla '28 Defens	sive Most Valuable Player

#### **VARSITY TENNIS**

Ryan Griffin '27	Most Valuable Player
Jackson Mahr '23	Leadership Award
Vruj Patel '23	Most Improved Player

#### **MIDDLE SCHOOL TENNIS**

Cole Warrick '29 ..... Most Improved Player

#### **BOYS TRACK**

Sumter Cooper '23	. Top Performer Track & Field
Wilson Frerichs '23	Gaither Spencer Award
Hugh Humphries '25	Breakthrough Performer
Lee Mims '23	Baron Award
Will Singleton '23	Top Performer Throws
Connor Smith '23	Top Performer Track
Boykin Wilder '23	Top Performer Jumps

#### **GIRLS TRACK**

Emma Bradley '23	Gaither Spencer Award
Lori Flemming '23	Top Performer Track & Field
Molly Jones '25	Top Performer Track
Bailey McInerney '23	Baron Award
Aubrey Payne '24	Top Performer Throws
Sarah Sonntag '23	Top Performer Jumps
Jordan Thornton '23	Top Performer Distance

## SPECIAL SPRING ATHLETIC RECOGNITION

### BASEBALL

Grayson Alexander '24 .....All-Star Team, All-Region Team Jones DesChamps '24 .....All-Star Team, All- Region Team Dylan Jones '24 .....All-Star Team, All-Region Team Clark Kinney '24 .....All-Star Team, All-Region Team Ben Reynolds '24 .....All-Star Team, All-Region Team Jes Schwedler '23 .....Region Player of the Year, All-Star Team, All-Region Team

### SOCCER

Jackson Bonser '25	All-Star Team, All-Region Team
Brogdon Galloway '23	Region Player of the Year,
	All-Star Team, All-Region Team
Milling Galloway '25	All-Region Team
Jeremiah Jones '24	All-Region Team
Shawn Michael Matthews	'25All-Region Team
Michael Warrick '25	All-Region Team
Mr. Jason Bartlett	Region Coach of the Year

### SOFTBALL

Kaylan Boudreau '25	All-Region Team
Ashlyn Elmore '23	All-Star Team, All-Region Team
Sullivan Jarecki '24	All-Star Team, All-Region Team
Ellie Stone '23	All-Star Team, All-Region Team
Marybeth VanPatten '24	All-Star Team, All-Region Team
Amberly Way '23	Region Player of the Year,
	All-Star Team, All-Region Team
Mrs. Teresa O'Hare Alexa	nder '98 Region Coach
	of the Year

### **BOYS TRACK**

Boykin Wilder '23 ..... Region Athlete of the Year

### **GIRLS TRACK**

Lori Flemming '23 ..... Region Athlete of the Year



- 1. Owen Barkley '27 throws a pitch in a B-team game. The team (11-5) was coached by Mr. Richard Barkley.
- 2. Ben McLaurin '25 leads off first base in a JV game. The team (8-6) was coached by Mr. Neal Moersen '06.
- 3. Cameron Coulter '23 eludes a defender in a varsity soccer match. The team (13-7-1), coached by Mr. Jason Bartlett, won the Region Championship and advanced to the state quarterfinals.
- 4. Jones DesChamps '24 fields the ball in a varsity baseball game. The team (22-10), coached by Dr. Tommy Jones, won the Region Championship and advanced to the state quarterfinals.
- 5 Logan Pauly '26 moves the ball down the field in a JV soccer match. The team (5-5) was coached by Mr. Jason Bartlett.



## **ALUMNI**

# LEGACIES

The following members of the Class of '23 are second-generation graduates of Wilson Hall, bringing the total number of legacies to 290:

> Campbell Bauman daughter of Jennifer Patrick Bauman '82

> > Sudie Grace Cromer daughter of Ben Cromer '90

Wilson Frerichs son of Catharine Williams Frerichs '88

Brogdon Galloway son of Lynn James Galloway '96

> James Hiott son of Brent Hiott '89

Caleb Howle stepson of Jamie Fidler '89

Nathan Owens son of Susan Ruffalo Owens '85

> Rebekha Patel daughter of Nila Patel '93

Walker Terry son of Dana Walker Terry '87

## SAVE THE DATE CLASS OF 1983 40TH REUNION

## SEPTEMBER 29, 6:30 PM

CAMPUS TOURS AND FOOTBALL GAME. GATHER ON THE BYNUM ROOFTOP GARDEN IN THE MOULTON CENTER FOR TOURS AT 6:30 PM, THEN ENJOY APPETIZERS AND WATCH THE BARONS PLAY NORTHWOOD ACADEMY. KICK-OFF AT 7:30.

## SEPTEMBER 30

A CLASS GATHERING WILL BE AT THE HOME OF BILL AND LINN RICHARDSON ON HENDERSON STREET HOSTED BY LINN AND NORMA AND FRIENDS.

MORE DETAILS TO COME IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR WANT TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE REACH OUT TO LAURA CHAPPELL BAUKNIGHT AT 864-680-1216 OR LJBAUKNIGHT@GMAIL.COM.

### **1998**

Donnie McMaster is the Senior Director of Operations for North Carolina and South Carolina for Guardian Dentistry Partners, a dental partnership network in five states. He graduated from The Citadel with a Bachelor of Science in business administration. Donnie and his wife, Jennifer, live in Rock Hill and have three children: Douglas, Adalyn and Victoria.

### 2001

*Chad Drayton* is the manager of advisory services for Meridian Integration, an international leader in digital engagement, implementation, upgrade, and consulting services for the utility industry. *Chad*, who lives in Sumter, graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts in history.

### 2005

*Carrie Martin Blanchard* and her husband, Zach, announce the birth of their son, Finn Thomas Blanchard, on May 17. They have another son, Miles. *Carrie* is the daughter of *Melanie Hurst Greene '76*.

Kelly Dwight Hodo works at the Charleston Charter School for Math & Science where she teaches Advanced Placement English Literature and English I. She graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Arts in English language and literature and from Florida State University with a Master of Science in higher education administration. *Kelly* and her husband, Scott, live in Mount Pleasant with their sons, Luke, Sam and Charlie.

## 2008

Joanna Ouzounidis Murphy works as a marketing specialist for Veterans Guardian, a medical consulting company that ensures veterans receive their benefits. She graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Science in marketing and from Campbell University with a Master of Business Administration. Joanna and her husband, Sean Murphy '08, live in Alexandria, Virginia.

Sean Murphy is a Major in the United States Air Force stationed at Joint Base Andrews in Maryland. He graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts in international relations and is pursuing a Juris Doctor through the evening program at Georgetown University Law Center. *Sean* and his wife, *Joanna Ouzounidis Murphy '08*, live in Alexandria, Virginia.

## 2009

William Clinkscales is an otolaryngologist and headneck surgeon in Seattle, Washington. He graduated from Vanderbilt University with a Bachelor of Science in neuroscience and the Medical University of South Carolina with a Doctor of Medicine, and he completed a residency in otolaryngology - head and neck surgery at the University of



Samuel Key '09

Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis. *William* and his wife, May, have a daughter, Ruth.

Lauren Thompson Daylami is the Director of Operations for Quixote Hospitality which includes Hamptons, Sidebar and the Sumter Original Brewery in downtown Sumter. She graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Science in marketing and from the University of South Carolina with a Master of Business Administration. Lauren and her husband, Taylor, live in Sumter.

*Caleb DuBose* works as a chaplain at Peace Hospital, a behavioral care hospital affiliated with University of Louisville Health, and he is pursuing a Ph.D. in Biblical counseling at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. *Caleb* graduated from The Citadel with a Bachelor of Arts in English and Columbia International University with a Master of Divinity in pastoral counseling and specialized ministries. He and his wife, Heather, live in Louisville, Kentucky.

Gusta Ellison is a digital specialist for SnapIT Solutions, an information technology services and solutions company, and will work with the International Trade Administration and the U.S. Department of Commerce. *Gusta*, who lives in Denver, Colorado, graduated from the College of Charleston with a Bachelor of Business Administration in marketing.

Samuel Key is an attorney with the firm of McAngus Goudelock and Courie in Columbia where his practice focuses on general litigation, personal injury, and construction defect claims. He graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts in history and from the University of South Carolina School of Law with a Juris Doctor. Samuel and his wife, Cristina, have two sons, Callum and Nolan.

## 2010

*David Jones* and his wife, Alexis, announce the birth of their son, David Brooks Jones, on May 12. *David* is the son of *Jim Jones '72*.

Brendan Murphy is an Air Force Logistics Officer who is an operational inspector and logistics planner for NATO Headquarters Allied Joint Force Brunssum, T he Netherlands. One of two NATO operational commands, it is responsible for the defense of NATO allies in Eastern Europe. He is being promoted to Major this month. Brendan graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts in public relations.

**2011** Josh Jennings will be the Athletic Director for Great Falls High School in Chester County School District for the 2023-24 academic year. He graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts in history, Francis Marion University with a Master of Education in instructional accommodation, Southern New Hampshire University with a Master of Arts in English, and Coker College with a Master of Education in literacy studies. He is pursuing a Doctor of Education in curriculum and instruction at the University of South Carolina.



Jane McAdams '25, Student Body Vice President, offers the invocation at the Upper School Academic Awards Program held in the Nash Student Center.

## 2013

Tripp Holstein and Lilly Turner were married on May 27 at Rocky River Estate in Anderson with a reception following. Spencer Brabham '13 and Hunter Young '13 were among the groomsmen. Tripp works as a project superintendent for Contract Construction, Inc., in Irmo. He graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Science in business administration.

Mary Francis Newman and Garrett Linderman were married on May 27 at First Presbyterian Church in Sumter with a reception at The O'Donnell House. Maggie Lowery '13 was the Maid of Honor and the bridal party included Anna Crew Kinney Psomas '13 and Anne-Davis Shaw '13. Mary Francis works as a clinical pharmacist for Palmetto Primary Care Physicians in Charleston. She graduated from the University of South Carolina College of Pharmacy with a Doctor of Pharmacy.

*Katrina Salzer* is the Coordinator of Youth Development for the American Junior Golf Association in Atlanta, Georgia. She is also a cheerleader for the Atlanta Falcons of the National Football League. *Katrina* graduated from Bellevue University with a Bachelor of Science in sports management.

*Cori Stroebel,* who earned a Bachelor of Science in nursing from Clemson University, graduated from the Medical University of South Carolina with a Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice.



Mary Francis Newman Linderman '13 and her husband, Garrett.



Katrina Salzer '13

## 2014

Christian Albertsen is the Director of Enterprise Training and Development for Oliver Gospel, the oldest rescue mission in the Southeast. Located in Columbia, the mission assists those in need by providing food, shelter, clothing, chapel services, and addiction recovery and employment programs. He graduated from Columbia International University with a Bachelor of Science in youth ministry and from Southeastern University with a Master of Arts in ministerial leadership. Christian and his wife, Rachel, live in Lexington.

Tanner Carraway works as an assistant project manager for Thompson Turner Construction Company in Sumter. He graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Science in management. Tanner and his wife, Emily, have a daughter, Lyla.

Scott Harvin works in New York City as a senior account executive for Factory PR, a communications agency that builds and launches brands with public relations, influencer, and social media services. He graduated from the College of Charleston with a Bachelor of Arts in communications.

Seth Hubbard works as a senior mechanical engineer for BD, a global medical technology company. He graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering. *Seth* and his wife, Kelly, live in Sumter.

> Breanna Kimbrell graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Science in animal and veteri-

nary science and a Master of Science in microbiology. She attends the Mississippi State University College of Veterinary Medicine.

John Eagle Miles earned a Juris Doctor from Georgetown University Law Center. He graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts in international studies and French, and he studied history and linguistics at the University of Artois in France. John Eagle and his wife, *Mary Kennon Arscott Miles* '13, live in Washington, D.C.

John Eagle Miles '15

2015





Paula Patel '16

2016

*Nicolette Fisher,* who earned a Bachelor of Science in biological sciences from Clemson University, graduated from the Medical University of South Carolina with a Doctor of Physical Therapy.

Paula Patel graduated from Wake Forest University School of Medicine with a Doctor of Medicine and will complete a residency in pediatrics at Emory University Hospital in Georgia. She graduated from Wake Forest with a Bachelor of Science in biochemistry and molecular biology.



*Evans Boyle* works as the group sales and retention representative for South Carolina for The Cason Group, Inc, a traditional benefits general agency which also offers financial services, located in

Columbia. He graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Science in marketing. *Evans* and his wife, Emerson, live in Sumter.

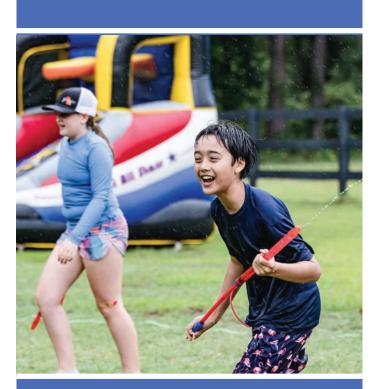
Diamond Crawford graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Human Nutrition and a Master of Education in student affairs. She works at Coker University in Hartsville as Assistant Director of Residence Life and First Year Experience.

*Katie Duffy*, who earned a Bachelor of Science in business administration from Clemson University, graduated from the Medical University of South Carolina with a Master of Health Administration. She works as a grants and donor communications associate for the Beaufort Memorial Hospital Endowment Foundation.

*Ali Hilferty,* who graduated from Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Business Administration in finance, received a Master of Science in finance from the University of Utah.

*Patrick Muldrow* lives in Columbia where he works as a sales representative for Optimum Water Solutions. He graduated from Wofford College with a Bachelor of Science in biology.

*McLendon Sears* lives in Charleston and works in sales business development for ModuGo, a digital marketplace for the sale, lease and shipment of modular buildings, and shipping containers. He graduated from the College of Charleston with a Bachelor of Science in public health and a Master of Arts in communications.



Gavin Hendren '30 enjoys a water gun fight during class's end-of-the-year party held at the Gaymon barn.



Matthew Tavarez '18

Carolina with a Bachelor of Science in chemistry and a Bachelor of Arts in philosophy. He will enter medical school in the fall at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine.

*Grace Towery,* who graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Science in biological sciences, will enter the Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine this summer.

## 2018

*Walker Jones* graduated from Wofford College with a Bachelor of Arts in finance.

*Jackson LeMay* graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Science in political science.

*Becka Noyes* works as a market development representative for Sazerac Company, a beverage manufacturer in Florence. She graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Science in marketing.

*Matthew Tavarez* graduated from the University of South



Landon VanPatten '19



Chandler Patrick '19 & Sydney Jarecki '19

Liza Segars '19



*Caitleigh Bryant* graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Science in management.

*Dylan Dean* graduated from the University of South Carolina Honors College with a Bachelor of Science in biological sciences.

*Nathan Drakeford* graduated from Syracuse University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in cinematography and film/video production.

*Mills Herlong* graduated with a Bachelor of Science in nutrition sciences from Clemson University. He will enter Anderson University in the fall to pursue a Doctor of Physical Therapy.

*Sydney Jarecki* graduated from the Clemson University Honors College with a Bachelor of Science in biological sciences.

Callie McAdams graduated from the

University of Southern California with a Bachelor of Arts in communications and a Bachelor of Arts in political science.

Sarah McCreight, who received a Bachelor of Science in psychology from Covenant College in Georgia, is pursuing a Master of Arts in counseling at Columbia International University.

*Chandler Patrick* earned a Bachelor of Science in marketing from Clemson University.

*Kayla Porter* graduated from the College of Charleston with a Bachelor of Science in public health.

*Liza Segars* graduated from the Clemson University Honors College with a Bachelor of Science in political science.

*Ingrid Singleton* works with the Peace Corps as an English literacy resource volunteer for primary schools in the Eastern Caribbean. She spent a month training on St. Lucia and will live on the island nation of Dominica for two years. The Peace Corps is an independent agency and program of the United States government that trains and deploys volunteers to provide international development assistance. *Ingrid* graduated with a Bachelor of Social Work from the University of South Carolina Honors College.

Jun Sinlapanuntakul graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a Bachelor of Science in industrial and systems engineering.

Landon VanPatten graduated from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Science in finance and financial management services. He is a financial advisor trainee for Raymond James and Associates.

Anne Land Welch graduated from Wofford College with a Bachelor of Science in finance. She has committed to work for the United States Department of Defense at Edelweiss Resort and Lodge, an Armed Forces Recreation Center in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, and will begin a 15-month position in August.



Jennings Frerichs '24 & Rhayne Owens '24, Honor Marshals, relax in the Moulton Center before the Senior Awards Program.

## 2020

*Bristol Barnes,* a theater major at the College of Charleston Honors College, worked for the Piccolo Spoleto Festival in Charleston, one of the Southeast's largest multi-disciplinary arts festivals. She was the set designer for the one-act drama "There's Always Tomorrow" by Sonya Hayden which was performed at the Chapel Theater. *Bristol* wrote and directed the short film *Crash (Cymbal)* that premiered at the College of Charleston Student Film Festival, and she directed David Auburn's drama *Proof* which was produced by the College of Charleston Center Stage.

*Waverly Mclver* is completing a legal marketing internship in immigration and international law with the law office of Edward W. Neufville III in Washington, D.C., this summer. She is a journalism and political science double-major at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Sarah Jekel is working at Colgate University this summer where she is writing a curriculum and learning module for the study of the Galapagos Islands. She is a chemistry and education major at Utica College in New York. Sarah received the Perseverance Award from the Utica Chemistry and Biochemistry Department faculty.

## 2021

*Gracyn Coker* is completing a government relations internship for Sweatman Strategies, an association management and government affairs firm in Columbia. She is an English and psychology double-major at Wofford College.

*Miller Jones* is completing an administrative internship with the City of Sumter. He is a finance major at the Clemson University Honors College.

*Kaitlyn Smith*, an architecture major at Clemson University, is completing an internship with Quackenbush Architects in Columbia.

*Graham VanPatten* is working at Pine Cove Springs, a summer Christian camp located in Toccoa, Georgia. He is a management major at Clemson University.

## 2022

Mary Jones is working at Pine Cove Springs, a summer Christian camp located in Toccoa, Georgia. She is a biological sciences major at Clemson University.



Will Overby, Steve Scholz & Justin Grynkewich, Class of '23, pause for a photo before the Senior Last Day Luncheon in the Nash Student Center.



- 1. The new graduates toss their caps in celebration in front of Patriot Hall.
- 2. Cody Peyton '23 is applauded by the faculty as he processes from Patriot Hall.
- 3. Mr. Keller Kissam, the keynote speaker, and Mr. Fred Moulton, Head of School, pause for a photo in the wings of Patriot Hall before the start of the graduation program.
- 4. Ellie Stone, Jordan Thornton, Thomas Parrish, Dhruva Patel, Madison Archebelle & Maggie Garrity, Class of '23.
- 5. Jes Schwedler, Walker Terry, Lee Mims & Boykin Wilder, Class of '23
- 6. Mrs. Helen Wilson Taylor '76 presents the John S. Wilson Award to Annabelle Huffman '23 during the ceremony.
- 7. Sudie Grace Cromer '23 & Madison Crawshaw '23 exit Patriot Hall to the applause of the faculty.























- 8. Jack Poag, Brianna Johnson & Sam Richards, Class of '23
- 9. Mrs. Molly Simpson Matthews '93, Mrs. Sarah Smith & Mrs. Rachel Jones Brown '00, the graduation program coordinators, pause for a photo before the start of the ceremony.
- Nathan Owens, Sean Galloway & Conner Galloway, Class of '23, wait in The Levi Lane in the Moulton Center for the start of the Senior Awards Program.
- 11. Caleb Howle '23 & Hampton Watson '23
- 12. Will Singleton, Emma Bradley, Meredith Rogers, Cameron Coulter, Annabelle Huffman & Madison Archebelle, Class of '23, listen as Class President Wilson Frerichs delivers the Senior Address during the Senior Awards Program in the Founders Chapel.