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<u>CLASS OF 2015 ~ OUR NEWEST ALUMNI</u>



The Class of 2015: First row I-r) Cara Zhang, Jewel Moore, Anna Morrow, Cali Foster, Lucy Wallace, Jessica Spencer, Kayla Lehman, Ellie Akhmetova, Lydia Painter, Kat Gebauer, Tamar den Besten, Antonio Gonzalez, Mike Liu (second row I-r) Harley Seay, VaSaun Boatwright, Olivia Gordon, Brittany Wright, Taylor Pickett, Alexis Williams, Jessica Stewart, Claire Drummond, Mary Kate Smith, Jacob Spencer, Hunter Lafoon, Taylor Cunningham, Carl Benhoff (third row I-r) Michael Johnson, Buck Wellman, Dylan Thompson, Trent Jacobs, Joshua Davis, Montese Adams, Thomas Shumaker, Ian Schwerdtfeger, Terry Wu, Austin Clark, Luke Wyatt, Troy Howard. Not pictured: Houston Spessard

Baccalaureate for the Class of 2015 was held Sunday, May 17, at Farmville Baptist Church. Reverend Dr. Ronald E. Wyatt Jr. presided over the service. On Friday, May 22, on the front lawn of the upper school campus, the twenty-second commencement of Fuqua School was held. All thirty-nine graduates were offered admission to a college or university. The Class of 2015 was offered collectively over \$4.2 million in academic scholarships. There were ten cum laude (3.2-3.5), nine magna cum laude (3.6-4.0) and six summa cum laude (4.0+) graduates.

CLASS OFFICERS

President Luke Wyatt, Vice-President Taylor Pickett, Secretary Katarina Gebauer, Treasurer Alexis Williams, SCA Class Representative Antonio Gonzalez Jr., SCA Class Representative Brittany Wright

> CLASS COLORS Red, White and Blue

> > CLASS FLOWER
> > Daisy

CLASS QUOTE "You all are gregarious loquacious magpies." Kathy Andrews

CLASS SPONSOR Tammy Benhoff



(I-r) Valedictorian Kayla Lehman, Salutatorian Katarina Gebauer, Giftorians Lucy Wallace & Luke Wyatt



COMMENCEMENT

Fuqua School held its commencement exercises May 22 on the lawn of the upper school. The evening began at 6 o'clock with rising senior and SCA President, Thomas Watson, announcing the Class of 2015. As the audience stood, the seniors took their last walk together, showing a range of emotions from smiles to tears.

Susan Carden, Middle/Upper School Dean, opened commencement with a prayer and welcomed everyone. She told the seniors, "This is your moment, seniors. You're about to hear me say several things for the last time: Did you shave this morning? How short is that skirt? And unique to this class, Carl! From this night on, you'll hear me say, 'It's so good to see you! Welcome back!"

The class of 39 students included 25 honor graduates. The first to speak was Salutatorian Katarina Gebauer, who thanked the teachers. "Whether you knew it or not, you've taught us so much more than the curriculum. Thank you teachers, for not only giving us the academic knowledge necessary to obtain these diplomas, but also for cultivating the qualities that make us all unique, interesting individuals who are ready to take on whatever challenges come our way."

Valedictorian Kayla Lehman followed with a lesson for all by sharing, "In the words of Albert Schweitzer, 'Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success.' Do what makes you happy. Some of you may not know what that is yet, but you'll find it. Life is a journey to find out what is important to you, and the only real measure of human success is staying true to yourself and what you love and value."

Giftorians Lucy Wallace and Luke Wyatt expressed, "Over the years you all have encouraged us to share our gifts and abilities with those around us. We have learned that when we give, we receive. In addition, the Bible tells us that the more resources, talents, and understanding God gives us, the more He holds us accountable and responsible to use them effectively. Luke 12:48 says, "...For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required...".

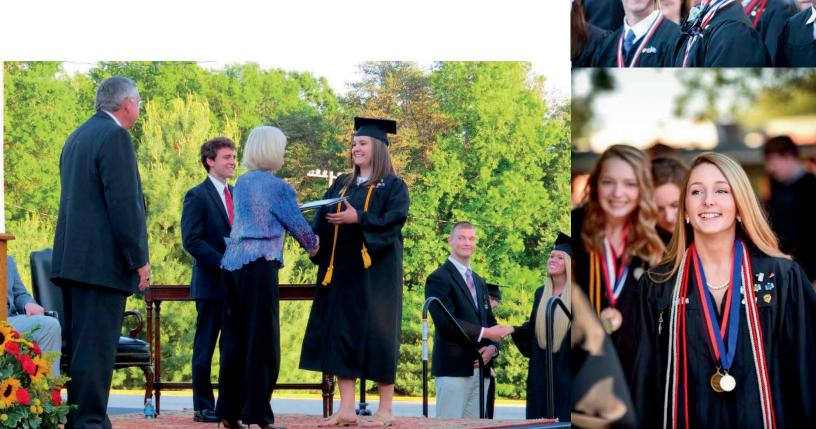
CLASS OF 2015

Fuqua School President Ruth S. Murphy shared her memories of the seniors and remarked what an amazing class they truly are. "As a group – as a class of 39 students – they have been offered collectively over 4.2 million dollars in college scholarships. Our graduates will be attending a remarkable array of colleges and universities, such as the College of William and Mary, Hampden-Sydney College, Randolph-Macon College, Longwood University, the University of Virginia, and Virginia Tech. Many of you have been together since pre-kindergarten and others have joined us along the way from as far away as China and the Netherlands. We are proud of you all."

In keeping with the tradition of inviting outstanding alumni to speak at graduation, Silvije "Sly" Barisic '97 was selected as this year's speaker. Sly received his BS from Longwood University and earned his MBA at the Terry School of Business at the University of Georgia (UGA) in finance, real estate, entrepreneurship and risk management. Sly is the co-founder and CEO of FotolN, a single mobile tool to capture photos and information.

Sly opened with, "Many memories come back and it's awesome to be here today again. I feel honored to be speaking to the Class of 2015. It has been 20 years since I came to the United States to attend Fuqua School as a junior. I want to thank the people that helped me get to Farmville and Fuqua School, especially my family back home in Croatia and Bosnia, the Gates family (my dad and brother James are in the audience today, and momma Dianne is watching from above), Mr. J. B. Fuqua for his vision and support of Fuqua School and securing scholarships for the international students, including me, and of course all those that made my experience here so awesome, including Ms. Murphy, faculty, staff, and all my friends from the class of 1997. "







SHOW YOUR COLLEGE SPIRIT

100% of the Class of 2015 has been accepted at one or more of the following colleges and universities:

Art Institute of Virginia Beach Averett University (1) Bridgewater College Campbell University (1) Central Virginia Community College (1) Christopher Newport University (2) Coastal Carolina University College of William & Mary (1) Danville Community College (1) East Tennessee State University Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (1) Emory & Henry College Ferrum College George Mason University Guilford College Hampden-Sydney College (4) High Point University Hood College **Hollins University** Illinois Wesleyan University (1) Indiana University-Bloomington (1) James Madison University John Tyler Community College (1) Liberty University Longwood University (3) Lynchburg College

Marymount College Michigan State University North Carolina State University
Norwich University
Old Dominion University (1)
Radford University (2)
Randolph College
Randolph-Macon College (3)
Roanoke College (2)
Rutgers University (1)
Southside Virginia Community
College (3)

State University of New York
University of Amsterdam (1)
University of Connecticut
University of Denver
University of Mary Washington
University of Massachusetts–Amherst
University of North Carolina–Charlotte
University of Pittsburgh
University of Richmond (1)
University of the Arts—Philadelphia (1)
University of Virginia (1)
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State
University (5)

Virginia Wesleyan College Wofford College.

() Number of Students Attending









REUNION

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

ALL ALUMNI WELCOME

Skeeter Fore Alumni Golf Tournament

The Manor Resort Golf Club, Farmville 8 A.M.; registration begins at 7:30 A.M.

Family Pool Party & Picnic

Fuqua Pool Swim 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. Picnic 12:00 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Class Gatherings

Gee-Price Center & Poolside 7:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M.

Class of 1976 - Kilpatrick Library

The Office of Alumni Affairs wants to reminisce with all of you, hear your stories, and celebrate your coming together. The goal is to make your reunion one to remember. The festivities start with the Skeeter Fore Golf Tournament held at The Manor Golf Course Saturday morning and a family pool party here on campus. All of this leads up to the big reunion party held Saturday night in the Gee-Price Center and the Kilpatrick Library. Whether your class decides to take part in Reunion weekend, or do something on your own at another time, the Alumni Office is here for you.

Please contact us with updated information, <u>any ideas you have for your class reunion</u>, or just to find out what's happening on campus. We look forward to seeing you "on the hill" again.

Be active in your Alumni Association - you are essential to our school.

Please contact Tammy Frank, Director of Alumni Affairs, with any questions at 434-392-4131, ext. 235, or franktm@fuquaschool.com.

ALUMNI NEWS

Class of 2002 Timothy Seth Tucker '02 married Emiley Grace Mitchell on July 4, 2015 in Urbanna, Virginia. They reside in Keysville.

Class of 2005 Amber Leigh Roberts '05, daugther of Paul and Betty Jean Ellett Roberts '78, was married on June 27, 2015 to James Coleman Owen.

Class of 2009 Trey Ellington '09, son of John Ellington '82 and Judy Ellington '81, attended the School of Engineering and Applied Science at UVA and graduated with a double major in Systems Engineering and Economics in 2013. He lives in Richmond and works for CapTech Consulting, an IT, Digital, and Management Consulting firm that helps businesses solve problems using technology. As a Project Manager and Analyst, Trey is currently leading the delivery of a new website for the state government serving over 500,000 state employees.

Class of 2011 Alison Ingram '11 married Mitch Jamerson May 30, 2015.

Class of 2012 Tatum Davis '12, daughter of Wayne Davis '77 and Teresa Davis '80, a Kinesiology major, Pre-PT at James Madison University, serves as President of the JMU Club Softball Team.

Larry Haskins '12 plays football at Hampden-Sydney College.

Class of 2013 Tara Bauer '13 did a study abroad last summer in Sienna, Italy.

Carter Cunningham '13, son of Ted Cunningham '77 and Diane Cunningham '80, plays football at Hampden-Sydney College.

Heather Hicks '13 was appointed Reunion Coordinator for HOBY VA Alumni Association and Assistant Project Coach for the Advanced Leadership Academy (ALA). Heather traveled to Iceland for 10 days and stayed in the capital, Reykjavik. She visited Gullfoss Waterfall, Strokkur Geyser, swam the Blue Lagoon, and rode Icelandic horses over volcanic lands.

Boris Ngundji '13 plays basketball at Randolph-Macon College.

Caroline Wiles '13 worked as an intern at Healthcare Leadership Council in Washington, DC as a legislative intern and was accepted into the Mason School of Business as a sophomore at the College of William & Mary for the fall of 2015.

Class of 2014 Kari Davis '14, daughter of Wayne Davis '77 and Teresa Davis '80, cheers at Randolph-Macon College.

Samantha Pairet '14, daughter of Tommy Pairet '74 and Penny Pairet, cheers at College of Charleston.

Class of 2015 Montese Adams '15 plays basketball at Randolph-Macon College.

Josh Davis '15 plays football at Christopher Newport University.

Trent Jacobs '15, son of Bobby Jacobs '81 and Krista Jacobs, will play baseball at Hampden-Sydney College.

Send us your news! Weddings, births, adventures, careers, and accompanying photos are all of great interest to your fellow alumni and the school community! We will share your news in our newsletter as well as the next annual report. Contact Tammy Frank, Director of Alumni Affairs, at franktm@fuquaschool.com.





WHO WILL BE NEXT?

The Athletic Hall of Fame honors outstanding achievements in athletics or service to athletics. The next induction of members will be held **Friday, September 23, 2016**, during half-time. The pre-game banquet will begin at 5 p.m. Details regarding inductees will be posted on the alumni pages on www.FuquaSchool.com.

1999

Christy Gates Bondurant '67 Thomas O. Bondurant Jr. '67 Robert E. Farmer III '66 Coach Robert C. Gilmer David Harper '69 Mariana A. Johnson '81 Stuart Donald Sequin Jr. '71 Merle Lou Evan Stables '74

2000

Mariana J. Boska '81 U. Carter Carson '67 Andrew J. Chandler '68 Jessica Pleasants Fraser '95 Dixie Watts Reaves '82 Robert A. Smith Jr. '76 Kirk Word '83

2001

Sharon Arrington '78
William L. Bridgforth '66
Hugh (Ted) Cunningham '77
Charlotte Davis Cyrus '80
Coach Billy A Franklin
J. S. Fulton Jr. '80
Coach Robert M. Hazelwood
Robert Stanley '78
Brett Von Cannon Watson '86

2002

Glenn W. Card '72 Mark Cave '74 Richard P. Epperson II '75 Bruce Morgan '77 Clark Mitchell Robinson '71 Coach Jaqueline Fore Southall Carolyn Marks Tipton '89

2003

Sheldon (Shelly) Paul Butler '84 Coach Stokeley Fulton Mark Puckett '78 George Randolph (Randy) Noblin '72 Amber Barton Schwalm '98 Gregory Alan Watson '81

2004

Alex Holmes '60 Jeffrey L. Irving '92 Peggy Jenkins '87 Donnie Kayton '71 Dana Hill Osborn '84 Richard Wallace William (Bill) Watson Jr. '73

2005

Cynthia Denise Emert '82 James Scott Helms '82 Jeffrey Scott Henshaw '92 Craig Wayne Howard '98 William Henderson Johnson '68 Jim McGall Norman Hubert (Trey) Taylor III '97

2006

Walter (Bozo) Addleman Otey Burhaman Harlie Blair Jr. '68 William (Billy) Henry Carwile Jr. '68 Harry Frank Davis '66 Alton Bruce Fowlkes '91 Natalie Layden '01 Johnathan (Johnny) Shawn LeSueur '96 Frances Cartwright Moore

2007

Hassan Brahim Bradford Campbell '97 David Aaron Dudley '77 James (Jim) Ronald Ennis '68 Robert Lee Hines '81 Cynthia Jo "C.J." McQueen '02 Marlo Magdalene Powell '02

2008

William (Willie) Fuqua Elam '84 Kyle Evans Murphy '96 Robert Baltzer "Bobby" Schmidt Jr. '61 Blakeley Wooding Senger '01 Preston Grant Williams '00

2009

Micheal (Mike) Howard Clabo '68 Angela (Angie) Love Hall '91 James Richard LeSueur '88 Raymond (D) Ranson Dane Christian Williams '03

2010

Raymond Anderson '80 Mike Andrews '63 Angelina Collie '95 Mark Lafoon '79 Taylor Montgomery Mason '85

2011

John Adams '86 Denise Murphy Bachman '94 Cindy Farmer '76 Danny Phillips '96 Jon Martin '97 Cindy Farmer '76

2013

Scott Andrews '83 Autumn Barton Harbor '95 Cristy Wilson Larkin '92 Jim Saunders '72 William Carrington Sprouse '72



PARENT TEACHER STUDENT ASSOCIATION (PTSA)

Every parent is a member of Fuqua School's PTSA and its success depends on you. The work of the PTSA is done through the leadership of the PTSA Board of Directors and Committee Chairs.

The mission of the Fuqua School PTSA is to provide support for the School through fundraising, volunteer services, and parent education. By encouraging volunteerism and parent involvement, assisting with faculty, staff and student goals, and serving as ambassadors for the School within the broader community, the PTSA helps promote excellence and a spirit of collaboration and cooperation.

Below are a few of the 2014-2015 activities:

- sponsored the inaugural Pumpkin Lighting festival at the lower school
- provided monthly teacher appreciation gifts
- planted 6th grade tree, a tradition since 2011
- planted and dedicated a tree in memory of Sissy Gantt Pack '85
- completed and dedicated the Ruth S. Murphy Nature Trail
- worked on cross country trail
- purchased MS volleyball shorts
- fundraised with Innisbrook, Mighty Nest, Pouch Brigade, Boxtops, Campbell's soup labels, recycle cartridges
- supplied coffee & a Kleenex on the first day of school
- sold stadium blankets and cookbooks
- co-sponsored the Easter egg hunt
- continued concessions sales throughout fall and spring
 - o provided concessions to off campus events
- celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week with a different gift and student activity every day, and a faculty luncheon
- offered Back-to-School supply kits.

The PTSA needs your time and talents!

Contact the school to volunteer.

Thank you to the PTSA for sponsoring the cost to print and mail the 2014-2015 Annual Report!





WE NEED YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Your gifts to the Annual Fund (dollars designated to the annual operating budget) support the school's growing program needs in all areas of school life. Tuition accounts for approximately 70% of the school's income, and the actual cost of educating each child is more than \$3,000 beyond the cost of tuition; therefore, the Annual Fund is vital to helping make up the difference.

Your gifts will support our mission by:

- impacting the school's operating budget, which directly benefits our students, faculty, programs and operations
- investing in the physical education program, including equipment, uniforms, field maintenance and travel for all girls' and boys' athletic teams, while also promoting opportunities for healthy competition, exercise, sportsmanship and personal growth
- enhancing the various programs, clubs and activities at Fuqua School designed to give students real-world opportunities to serve and give back to the community
- providing opportunities for professional growth and advancement, ensuring that faculty continue to learn
- granting financial assistance to students whose families demonstrate need and would otherwise not be able to attend Fuqua School, enabling us to enroll a talented, motivated and diverse student population
- creating opportunities for students in the visual and performing arts including band, drawing, painting, photography and film and theater productions
- contributing to programs that strengthen and increase cultural awareness
- improving technology available to students both inside and outside the classroom, which enriches the learning experience and provides essential technological skills needed to flourish in the world's expanding information age.

Meeting our dollar goal is critical each year, but maintaining high levels of participation from alumni, parents and friends is extremely important as well. We want our supporters to know that the school continues to focus on student-centered programs, character, honor, and values, and will not lose sight of its traditions and history.

Fuqua School is grateful for your support and promises to spend your gifts wisely to give our students the best possible educational experience.

MANY WAYS TO GIVE & ALL TAX DEDUCTIBLE

There are many ways to help further the mission of Fuqua School through charitable contributions; your donations are essential to Fuqua School. Every gift, large or small, makes a significant difference to the School, and there are a number of ways to give. You can do so using the type of assets best suited to your financial circumstances, existing tax laws, and your plans for your own financial future. We recommend that you consult with your financial advisor to determine what form of contribution will best accommodate your financial situation.

CASH/CHECK:

A cash contribution may entitle you to an income tax deduction in the year of the gift, depending upon your specific tax situation.

CREDIT CARD:

Paying by VISA, MasterCard, or Discover allows you to take advantage of your card's rewards programs. If you would like to make your payments over time, we can set up a monthly or quarterly recurring gift.

APPRECIATED SECURITIES:

Appreciated securities are often preferred vehicles because they may entitle you to an income tax charitable deduction for the fair market value of the securities and, in certain situations, the avoidance of capital gains tax. Consult your tax advisor for details.

MATCHING GIFTS:

Corporate matching gifts are an easy way for you to increase the impact of your personal contribution. By taking advantage of a company's matching gift program, you can generate an additional gift that may automatically double or triple your own contribution. You will receive full credit for both the original donation and the matching gift. A matching gift form should accompany your initial contribution.

PLANNED GIFTS:

Gifts made through bequests and estate planning help ensure Fuqua School's future and may offer significant tax advantages and income rights for the life of the donor and/or the donor's beneficiary. Bequests are designated for the School's Endowment Fund, where they will provide for the long-term future of the School.

Unlike tuition payments, your gifts to Fuqua School are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.





LEGACY CIRCLE MEMBERS

Mr. Richard F. Cralle '60

Mr. & Mrs. Robert M. Showalter '60

Ms. Pamela W. Butler

Mr. Harry F. Davis '66

Mr. & Mrs. W. C. Sprouse '72

Mr. & Mrs. Hunter R. Watson

Ms. Ruth S. Murphy

LEGACY CIRCLE

During the 2015 commencement, Fuqua School inducted three new members into its Legacy Circle. The Legacy Circle was created in 2010 to honor all donors who have made a significant investment in the quality of education provided at Fuqua School with their cumulative gifts of \$100,000 or more. Past recipients are Mr. Dickie Cralle '60, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Showalter '60, Ms. Pam Butler and Mr. Harry Davis '66. Prior to announcing this year's recipients, Director of Communications & Special Events Linda Davis, shared, "I have been lucky to work for several years with the 2015 recipients. In all of their efforts, their love and dedication to Fuqua School are obvious."

The first to be inducted were Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Watson. Hunter shared his strong beliefs regarding the importance of giving to Fuqua School and how each donation makes a positive impact on the students. Hunter serves on the development committee of Fuqua School's Board of Directors, where his understanding of fundraising has been an invaluable asset. Ruth S. Murphy, President of Fuqua School, stated, "Hunter and Llewellyn have been faithful supporters of the school for many years and their generosity has made a real difference. They have worked on a number of school projects and freely shared their knowledge, expertise, and deep commitment to the school. We are fortunate to have them as members of the Fuqua School community."

Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Sprouse '72 were the next to be inducted. Both are alumni who give generously of their time and financial support. W.C. has served on the school's Board of Directors for more than 20 years and will be retiring from the Board as of July 31. "W.C.'s leadership, knowledge and perspective, especially as chair of our finance committee, have been instrumental to Fuqua School's success over the years. He has been a faithful advisor to me throughout my presidency, always seeing the big picture, always doing what is in the best interest of our students. Words cannot express the respect I have for him and how much I appreciate all he has done. I know the entire Board joins me in thanking him for his dedicated and steadfast service. He will be deeply missed," Ruth Murphy later commented.

W.C. remained on stage to induct one final member into the Legacy Circle - Ruth Murphy. He shared, "The Board greatly appreciates all that you have given to our school. We are grateful that you came to Farmville in 1994 and stayed for 21 years." The Board had one more surprise for Ruth, an honorary diploma from Fuqua School as a member of the Class of 2015. Ruth was thrilled to join an elite group of alumni who wear this distinction proudly. In closing, W.C. stated, "Ruth, you helped mold a school community that really cares about children and their success, from academics to character development, to developing their boundless individual potential, a school community that is truly a family."



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Fuqua School welcomed comedian, James Gregory, dubbed "the funniest man in America" on June 6, 2015. Gregory delivered common-sense wisdom, old-fashioned values and politically incorrect humor. It was a night of laughs for all.

This was a new type of special event at Fuqua School, so a big thank you to committee members Bennie Waller, Lorrie Watson, Christy Murphy, John Ellington, Tammy Frank, and Linda Davis for making it a success. No event at Fuqua School is possible without volunteers, so thank you to Tracy Carilli, Vicky Dotson, Chelsey Green, and Christina Hice. Last but certainly not least, a heartfelt thank you to all who purchased tickets. This special event cleared approximately \$5,000.

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November 22, 2014 Fuqua School welcomed the Christmas season through the *Bag the Five Grand Falcon* fundraiser. This special event generated \$40,000 in proceeds to our school.

The night began with drawing the first reverse-draw raffle ticket and the opening of the silent auction bidding. Auctioneer Jimmy Carwile encouraged friendly competitive bidding on our live auction items. The night continued with delicious food from Fuqua Catering.

We appreciate the time and talent the many volunteers gave to the event. As always, the stars of the event were those who donated items or purchased raffle tickets. Thank you!

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2014-2015 YEAR IN REVIEW

Fuqua School's opening assembly focused on honor, respect and responsibility. Reverend John Baldwin, Fuqua School alumnus ('97) and former faculty member, encouraged students to stay true to themselves, enthusiastically embrace their individualism, and to be honorable individuals in all of their endeavors. At the conclusion, each student signed the Fuqua School Honor Code.

Dean Susan Carden and teachers Stephen Nelson and Carroll Gillispie accepted the "ice-bucket challenge" to increase awareness about amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (A.L.S.), better known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Mr. Gillispie concluded his challenge with a back-flip into the Fuqua Pool.

Sharing their interest in life-long reading, faculty and staff discussed summer reading books one-on-one with students in grades nine to twelve during the summer reading assembly; prizes were awarded for each book read from the list, as a way to encourage students to branch out and read something different.

Carrying on a tradition started by the Class of 2014, Fuqua School's Class of 2015 made a big splash as they joined hands and took the plunge together...into the Fugua Pool.

ACADEMICS

Seniors Katarina Gebauer and Kayla Lehman were named Commended Students in the 2015 National Merit Scholarship Program, placing among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students.

Juniors Taylor Frink and Abby Morrow (and alternates Marin Angle and Kendall Schmidt) were selected for Virginia Girls State; Noah Shepherd and Thomas Watson (and alternates David Hice and Stone Tucker) were selected for Virginia Boys State. American Legion Auxiliary Girls State and American Legion Boys State are the premier programs for teaching how government works while developing leadership skills and an appreciation for citizen's rights.

Eighth grade student Christopher Kendall was the victor in the Fuqua School spelling bee, with Roman Davis taking second place. Christopher advanced to the state level independent school division, held in Richmond.

Sixth grade student Zach Eason was one of the semifinalists eligible to compete in the 2015 Virginia National Geographic State Bee. With a mission to inspire, illuminate and teach, the National Geographic Society is one of the world's largest nonprofit scientific and educational organizations.

Fuqua School introduced a new elective upper school course that includes an academic class in aviation and the practical application of actually building a real, full-size flying airplane. The two-part course is a joint undertaking by Fuqua School and the Farmville chapter of the Experimental Aviation Association (EAA). The course will begin Fall 2015.

Dr. Fred Garret, PEA alumnus ('79), Director of the Guidance, Navigation and Control Department for Orbital Sciences Corporation, and adjunct professor at Arizona State University, visited Mrs. Brenda Meshejian's Honor's Calculus I class and implored the students to "embrace the opportunities in front of you, because not everyone is lucky enough to have them." Mrs. Meshejian added "Teaching math for so many years and then finding out that one of your graduates has used math to become an aerospace engineer and launch rockets for NASA gives me incredible joy. Garret explained that calculus is a required course in many other careers, including economics, medicine, and horticulture. If our students ever thought math is purely an intellectual exercise and not really useful, then Dr. Garret has dispelled that notion in a single session of real-life examples."

2014-2015 YEAR IN REVIEW

Freshman Andrew Murphy, sophomores Ashley Chipman, Nicholas Davis, and Sarah Jane French, junior Eric Traywick and seniors Zoey Chen and Kayla Lehman competed in the Piedmont District's Soil and Water Conservation Envirothon. A natural resources competition for high school students, Envirothon requires students to work in teams of five, plus two alternates. Participation in Envirothon encourages life skills such as team building, critical thinking, decision making, problem solving, and communication.

Fuqua School was well-represented at Virginia's Model General Assembly. Senior Cali Foster served as the lieutenant governor and senior Mary Kate Smith served as a committee chairwoman. Seniors Taylor Cunningham and Michael Johnson, with juniors David Hice and Thomas Watson, were bill patrons; Fuqua's bill was passed. Cali Foster and Michael Johnson were selected to attend CONA (Conference on National Affairs) and Thomas Watson was elected Lieutenant Governor for 2016.

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

Eighth grade students Maggie Encarnacion, Elizabeth Hice, Candace Pembelton, Ireland Seagle, and Jeremiah Thorne, freshman Eli Hall and junior Stone Tucker auditioned for and were selected to play in the Virginia Band and Orchestra Director's Association's District III Band. Students were placed in the Junior Band, the Concert Band, or the Symphonic Band. Eli Hall and Stone Tucker also were selected to audition for the All-Virginia Band and Orchestra.

The Fuqua School Senior Band competed in the Class 1A Concert Band Category in the Smoky Mountain Music Festival in Gatlinburg, TN. Fuqua placed first in their category with the highest possible rating of superior. Jenna Armes, Troy Howard, Lauren Stimpson and Ellie Vick were awarded certificates of excellence for their solos during the performance.

ATHLETICS

The varsity football team had a 9-1 season and 4-0 Virginia Commonwealth Conference (VCC) season, making them number one in the VCC and number one seed going into the Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association (VISAA) Division IV state football playoffs. The Falcons beat the Blessed Sacrament Huguenot Knights 33-28 in the VISAA state playoff game. The Falcons then took on the Roanoke Catholic Celtics for the state championship, but lost in the last moments of the game 20-24. It was a quite a memorable football season!

The Girls Cross Country Team ran undefeated in their regular season and became the 2014 VCC Champions!

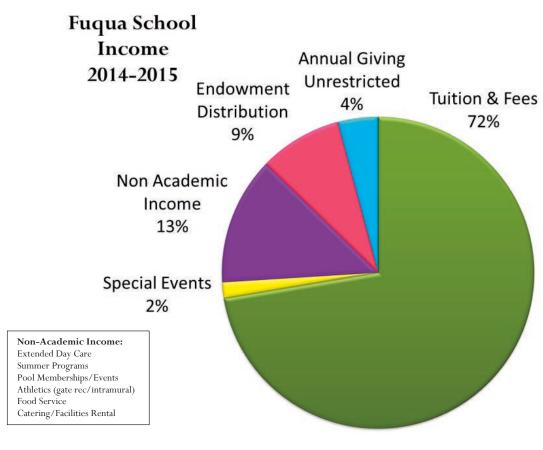
Thomas Watson competed in the Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association (VISAA) State Swimming & Diving meet; he qualified for States in the 50 meter Freestyle.

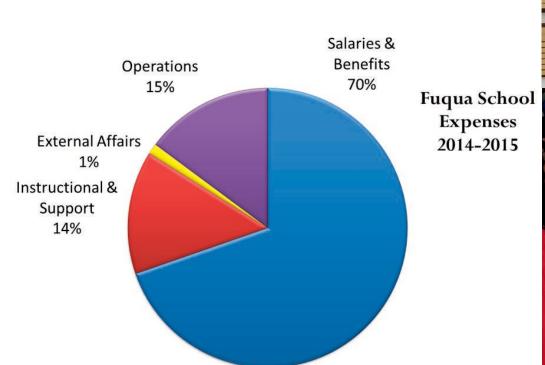
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2014-2015 OPERATING INCOME & EXPENSES









SURPRISE!

It was quite the celebration and quite a surprise. When Ruth S. Murphy, President of Fuqua School, announced she would be leaving Fuqua as of the end of the academic year 2014-2015, the Board challenged the school to plan a retirement celebration. For several months, faculty, staff, PTSA, students and parents quietly planned to honor their president and friend. Ruth's focus and priority has always been the students; it was fitting that they were the stars of the show. Banners were made, videos were shot, and skits were written all under the radar.

When the big day arrived, it was a perfect spring day with a clear Carolina blue sky for the lady from UNC. Ruth's daughter, Martha, arrived to lead the parade and surprise her mom. When Martha knocked on Ruth's office door, and it was opened to her, it was clear that the surprise was complete. But the surprises were just beginning. Martha led her mom outside, where she was greeted by the entire lower school, the band, and seniors cheering for her. Ruth, chauffeured in a red Corvette driven by her daughter, lead the parade. As Ruth arrived at the upper school campus, there to greet her were two of her sisters and one of her brothers, along with the middle and upper school students, faculty and staff. Still in shock, Ruth was lead to the upper school lawn for a school-wide picnic.

Following the picnic, everyone adjourned to the gym where love, appreciation, and gratitude were exuberantly demonstrated. Banners the lower school students made decorated the gym and teachers serenaded Ruth with their version of "Gone to Carolina". Each grade was represented through performed skits, musical numbers, or videos; the band accompanied many of the presentations. As the band played a medley called "Pop Culture," some of the upper school boys ran from the audience to dance with their president during "Hey, Baby". The PTSA presented Ruth with a resolution of appreciation, and the Board took the stage to share their thoughts and gifts, including a meaningful portrait of Ruth surrounded by images of school events, painted by a former faculty member Dora May. The Board then announced the dedication of the revitalized nature walk and outdoor classroom in Ruth's name and gifted her with a tribute book. Overflowing with pictures and love, the book opens with, "There really are no words to express how grateful we are that you came to Farmville in 1994 and stayed for 21 years. You helped mold a school community that really cares about children and their success, from academics to character development to emotional well-being; a school community that is truly a family."

Ruth shared her gratitude for an amazing day filled with surprises and emotions and stated, "I will treasure always the time we spent together and feel so blessed to have been a part of this special school community." It was obvious that Ruth loved every moment of her day, and that it was a day that she and all in attendance will never forget, a day the school celebrated a true leader and friend.



MEET NEW HEAD OF SCHOOL JOHN MELTON

Reprinted from the students' newspaper, THE NEST.

BY CLAIRE WATSON, FRESHMAN

John Melton attended Hampden-Sydney College and graduated in 1991 with a Bachelor's Degree in Biology. "Go Tigers," said Melton. "The following fall I returned to the classroom at Marymount University in Arlington, VA, where I earned a Master's in Education at the Secondary Level in 1993." Melton began his teaching career at Fairfax County Publics Schools, where he taught biology and chemistry while coaching the boys' lacrosse team. He moved to Miami, FL with his wife of nineteen years, Leigh, in 1995, so that she could attend law school. While down in the southern-most state of the US, Melton taught AP biology, biology, anatomy and physiology, and Marine science, while coaching football and lacrosse and heading the outdoor education program at Palmer-Trinity School. After Mrs. Melton concluded law school, they moved to Easton, MD, where she clerked for a year before joining a law firm. Melton taught at Easton High School for two years. He returned to graduate school for environmental science at the University of Maryland in 2000. "After I completed my master's degree, I returned to teaching, this time at the middle school level and coaching at The Country School in Easton," said Melton. "In my second year at The Country School, I was named the Head of the Upper School and served in that capacity for the last ten years. It is all of these experiences that have led me to Fuqua School," said Melton.

The new Head of Fuqua School, John Melton, "was struck by the friendliness of the students and the sense of community that was present in a school that draws students from such a broad geographic area." Melton applied for the position at Fuqua School because "Fuqua provides an independent school option in a rural, underserved area and this appealed to me both professionally and personally." Some of his secondary reasons were "He also had a desire to return to Virginia and a familiarity with the Farmville area."

Melton has two children. Harper is a rising freshman and Hunter is entering the 6th grade. He met his wife Leigh Melton in December of 1992. His kids are "sad to leave the town where they have grown up, but also are very excited to meet new friends and have new experiences at Fuqua," said Melton. "They are excited about the opportunities and new friends they will find—they had a wonderful time at "Fuqua for a Day. This will be a substantial change for me and my family, no question," said Melton. "We will need your support in little and big ways, and we have already been humbled by the hospitality extended by the school community. I anticipate being very busy with my new role at Fuqua School and thus will have limited opportunities to stay connected with The Country School, but my experience there will always be a part of me," said Melton.

Melton plans to spend his first year getting to know the Fuqua community and the community the school serves. "I'd like to hear what people love about Prince Edward Academy and Fuqua School and what their ideas are for the future of the school." His long-term plan is to work with "all those who love the school to develop a clear plan for the future." He wants the opportunity for a Fuqua School education to be available for future generations.

Melton will work closely with the Deans of the upper and lower schools every day. "Deans Carden and Tucker are committed to Fuqua School and ready to do the challenging and rewarding work necessary for students to thrive in our school," said Melton. "I enjoyed meeting them both, and I am looking forward to working with them."

The first people Melton met from the "Fuqua Family" were search committee members Sarah Puckett, Shawn Haney, Kathy Andrews, and Erin Whaley. "I had Skyped with the entire committee prior to meeting these four in person in October," said Melton. "Their passion for the school came out in the stories they shared, the questions they asked, and the clear commitment they had already dedicated to the search process." Melton commended the school's Board of Directors and current President Ruth Murphy on doing "an exceptional job selecting members of the search committee." "The Board and I will work closely to develop a plan for the future of Fuqua School."

Melton plans to be present in the life of the school every day. "If a few days have gone by and you haven't seen me, at least in passing, then I will have neglected an important part of my job. Being engaged in the life of the school and accessible to students are two of the things I am looking forward to most," said Melton. "I couldn't do my job as well if I didn't have some way to connect with the students." Melton said that he is always open to suggestions and invitations to participate in activities.

When asked about his life motto, Melton responded, "I am a big believer in the notion that if you work hard, focus on doing your best always, and lead with kindness and honesty, a path will reveal itself to you. When it does, take a leap of faith and lean into the challenge."

When asked if he was "Fuqua Ready," John Melton gave a big "YES!"



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