## **ALUMNI NOTES**

Austen Hill, '17, was an Admission Ambassador at Strake Jesuit and the only freshman selected as the Class of 2023 Accepted Student Freshman Reception Speaker. He continues to play basketball, and run track. Way to go Austen!

Joe Shapiro, '15, pictured below, achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in 2018. His Eagle Service Project involved planning, funding, and leading the reintroduction of native trees, grasses, and wetland plants for the Nature Discovery Center in Bellaire Texas. He led over 25 scouts, parents and other volunteers with a total of 212 man hours over six weeks. The scope of work included preparation of the site, procurement of the plants, planting, and finally daily watering of the newly introduced plants to ensure their survival. Joe is attending LSU in the fall.



Woman's University with a clinical doctorate in physical therapy and is working toward her PhD

in physical therapy. **Kalen Ziegler, '12,** is a rising senior at Rice University and is majoring in mechanical engineering. She is currently in Savannah, Georgia doing a summer internship with BASF Chemical Co.



Natalie Gonzales, '16, left, is a Junior at Duchesne Academy and is actively involved in choir and theatre. She recently performed in Silent Sky, as

well as performed in a musical easily this year. She's been selected to compete in the citywide Shakespeare theatre competition for next year representing Duchesne. Bravo, Natalie!



Hunter Grace Thomson, '09, recently graduated from The McCombs School of Business at The University of Texas at Austin with a BBA

in Supply Chain Management in 2017. Shortly after graduating she started working for Advanced Micro Devices (AMD) in Austin as a buyer for the indirect sourcing team. Her team buys all the business needs for her company such as marketing, software, hardware, professional services, etc. She buys all the servers, storage, laptops, and other hardware for the company globally. In her free time she likes to travel, workout, and go on adventures with her dog Rosie. Since college she have been able to travel to Nashville, Australia, New Zealand, Tokyo, Paris, NYC, Jamaica, South Korea, Mexico City, San Francisco, and she is currently planning her next trips to Greece and Napa this summer!

We are so proud of Mycah Clay, '15, pictured opposite. She graduated from St. John's School and accepted a full merit scholarship from Washington University in St. Louis as a John B. Ervin Scholar. In addition to her accomplishments in the classroom, Mycah has excelled in athletics by competing at the varsity level all four years of high school. She is the captain of the varsity track team

and holds school records. She has worked as a teen advocate with the Pearland Juvenile Court system and has volunteered with Special Olympics. She has received Presidential awards for Academic Excellence and Volunteerism. Mycah has signed with WUSTL to run track in the fall.

Mark McMillan, '15, pictured below, recently starred as Mr. Banks in Houston Christian High School's performance of Mary Poppins which earned a record 10 Tommy Tune Award nominations. While at Houston Christian, Mark was a member of the Chamber Choir, and performed in The Diary of Anne Frank as well as other plays and musicals. Thanks to Mrs. Hernandez who first put Mark on the stage while at St. Mark's which inspired him to perform in high school. Mark is looking forward to studying Finance at the University of Houston in the fall. Bravo, Mark!

Katie Dunphy, '15, pictured below, graduated as the Salutatorian from the Dunham School in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and will attend the University of Virginia to study Chemical Engineering in the fall. She earned 1st place in Calculus for the entire state at the The Louisiana High School Rally Association (LHSRA). She was a National Merit Commended Student, and a Member of National Honor Society. In addition to her academic pursuits, she was named the 2019 Dunham Scholastic Athlete of Year, 1st Team All District Volleyball, the Volleyball Team Captain, and Academic All State in Volleyball. Way to go, Katie!





