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#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

# Trojan tenacity

WHAT A YEAR! Social distancing is a term most of us had never heard of until this spring, and no one imagined we'd be spending months at home, while most everything shut down around us. For some, it was a time to slow down, capture more family time and eliminate a lot of the busyness that normally surrounds our lives. While for others, it was a time of stress, health concerns, financial worry and uncertainty.

For TCA students, this time brought with it online distance learning and virtual classrooms, many canceled traditional events and sadness for missed experiences. Yet, during this time of disappointment, I'm reminded of Proverbs 16:9, "In his heart, a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps."

It's true, the year did not turn out the way any of us had planned, but administrators, teachers and students found creative ways to continue learning, make the best of a tough situation and finish strong. In this issue, you'll read about "a day in the life" from some students' perspectives and learn how TCA families partnered with the school to keep the curriculum moving forward.

In this issue, we also continue the celebration of the 50th year of TCA. It's fitting that during this difficult time, we also look back and remember stories of the Lord's faithfulness during the early years of TCA.

As we look to the new school year in August, we cannot say for certain how things will be, but we can be certain that the Lord will still be in control, that He is ever faithful and that TCA will continue to raise up students for His purposes.



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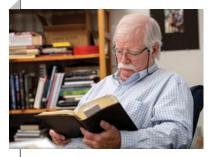
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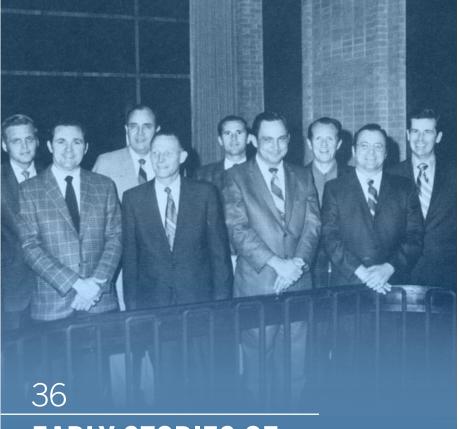
Several TCA faculty members who have been around for close to three decades or more share memories and reflections on teaching an entire generation of students.



#### 56 THE LEGACY OF STEVE ADAIR

Coach **Steve Adair** is remembered not only for the contributions he made to TCA baseball, but also for the impact he had on the lives of many young men.







As TCA celebrates its 50th year, take a look back at some of the early stories of the Lord's faithfulness and the commitment of our founding families to honoring Him.



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# PAC: TEN YEARS OF BLESSINGS

It's been ten years since TCA opened its Performing Arts Center, and our community has reaped countless blessings from the many chapels, performances, concerts, speakers and gatherings hosted here.

## HEADMASTER'S NOTE



WOW! WHAT A YEAR! How many adjectives can one use to describe it? Here are a few terms that didn't even enter my mind at the beginning of the school year that, quite frankly, I'm a bit tired of using, aren't you? ... coronavirus, COVID-19, social distancing, wear a mask, distance learning, contact

tracing and, of course, ZOOM. You get the idea. Despite all the new jargon and "new normal" (tired of that one, too?), I am so proud of how our teachers, students, parents, administrators, board of trustees—our entire community—have weathered the storm thus far. Bearing the name of Christ in our school is a beautiful reflection of how our community loved one another, supported and prayed for one another and adjusted to so much change. Thank you, everyone!

Being at home for such a long time was a significant change for most of us-parents working from home, helping their younger children navigate distance learning, teachers teaching from home with their own children at home, unable to hug, high five or have those impromptu discussions between classes, at lunch or after school. If there is one thing I missed most about being home so much, it is the community of TCA. Education is more than curriculum, coursework or homework. Education involves sacred conversations in sacred spaces with teachers and others who serve as mentors and shepherds helping students navigate academic, social and spiritual challenges.

While we were quite successful at quickly transitioning to teaching and learning via technology, we missed one another. We missed the connection, the blessing our students are to us and the day-to-day shared experiences. We missed going to games, sharing a lunch, enjoying a musical production, an art show and many endof-year celebrations and rights of passage. We missed sixth- and eighth-grade trips designed to build class unity while stretching our students to trust, serve and commit, yet our junior and senior counselors and trip leaders created a virtual camp experience that provided at-home opportunities that blessed both students and leaders . . . a community making the most of a difficult situation.

One serendipitous blessing due to "sheltering in place" (another ubiquitous pandemic term) provided countless opportunities for families to reconnect more and deeply, share meals, reduce a very hectic pace and provide more time for games, movies, devotions and one-on-one visits. I'm thankful families had this much time together as it provided a realization for what is important, what is not and what is missed.

As I write this, we're continuing to plan for re-opening in August. We're making every effort to do our best to provide a Christcentered education ON CAMPUS where God has blessed His school for 50 years. The challenges are great, but our God is greater. We rest in His faithfulness, goodness and sovereignty, and we look forward to sharing experiences once again in person!

DAVE DELPH, HEADMASTER



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## TRUSTEE NOTE

AS WE ALL KNOW, this has been a very challenging year, including here at TCA. We are first grateful to report that, to our knowledge as of this writing, no immediate family member of any current TCA family has been hospitalized with the COVID-19 virus. That is indeed good news!

Our families have been truly resilient and patient through this health crisis. We are grateful for all each of you have done to make this school year very successful under trying circumstances. Our teachers and staff have gone into high gear, going above and beyond, to care for our students and give them excellent instruction through distance learning. We were



ready with technology to be able to provide instruction, and our teachers, staff and administration adapted very quickly. They have all been truly exceptional, and we owe them a deep debt of gratitude.

Update on reopening: You should know that we fully intend to reopen in the fall with on-campus learning and are busy at work planning and preparing appropriate safety measures. The school has engaged AUXS, a premier education consulting firm, who is working with many other private schools, so that we can implement reasonable measures that will protect our community's health and safety. **Justin Zappia**, our director of auxiliary programs, is serving as our COVID-19 Task Force team leader to run point on these matters, but the entire TCA administration and others are fully engaged in these efforts.

Update on refunds: We are in partnership with our families as TCA educates your children with excellence to be fully formed disciples of Jesus. This crisis increased TCA's costs in some ways, but also reduced some costs from things like utilities, security and food service. Therefore, the board determined that we should return the net surplus related to the COVID-19 shutdown to our families on the most fair and proportional basis we could. That amounts to a return of about \$1.5 million to our families, which represents the expenses TCA has avoided during the school closure. Refund amounts varied depending on the grade level(s) of each child. Families were provided with the choice to receive the funds as a credit toward next year's tuition or to donate the funds to the school for STA or other needs of the school.

Update on Student Tuition Aid: We are incredibly grateful to the community for your generosity to STA recently on North Texas Giving Tuesday. We raised more than \$350,000 that day alone and have now raised more than \$1.4 million for Student Tuition Aid for this next year. Given these difficult times economically, your continued generous support of STA is critical.

Update on the Pursuing Excellence Campaign: By God's grace and the giving of so many, we have raised more than \$17 million in cash and pledges. That is the largest, single-campaign total ever in TCA's history. Of those funds, \$2 million was spent this summer to construct our new PreK Center, which is now ready for students in August. Although the remaining funds and pledges are not as much as our original target, we are now working on a revised plan and design to provide the best facility possible using the funds available and have commissioned our architects to prepare more detailed plans so we can seek the best pricing. Our goal is to have a new plan for consideration by the board after the start of the new school year so that we can then move forward with the revised project. We have been monitoring and considering the overall economic situation in our planning and will be better able to evaluate that again after school resumes in the fall. Of course, if you are able, we continue to welcome your support for this project.

As we go through this storm together, we must all remember that Jesus is Lord of the storm. He has power over it, in it to sustain us and through it to advance His purposes. As we trust in His absolute love and power, He will safely carry us to the other side.

We are praying for you all. Thank you for your continued support as we indeed partner together in this kingdom work at TCA.

DAVID HARPER, CHAIR, BOARD OF TRUSTEES



# **Byron Nelson** International **Junior Award**

Senior Michael Heidelbaugh was recently named the recipient of the Byron Nelson International Junior Award for 2020. The award is given to the junior player who has distinguished himself with a high level of play, excellence in academics, exceptional character and a commitment to community service. Michael joins a very select group of other winners from the United States, namely Justin Thomas and Jordan Spieth, who are both currently playing on the PGA Tour.

#### **National Merit**

Senior Savannah Sims was named a 2020 National Merit Scholarship Winner. As a scholarship winner, she was among the highest scorers on the PSAT in Texas and the nation



# **TAPPS Academic State Championship**

Katherine Novakovich and Reagan Rodgers were finalists in 2020 Ready Writing Contest for the TAPPPS Academic State Championship this year.





# **Super Spellers**

Congratulations to the following students who placed at the ASCI District Spelling Bee:

Daniel Russ - First Place, fourth grade Will Anderson – Fourth Place, fourth grade Kaden Handoko – Second Place, fifth grade; Seventh Place, overall

Trey Nunnally - Third Place, fifth grade Rachel Rader – Third Place, eighth grade Evelyn Sullivan - Fourth Place, eighth grade; Fourth Place, overall

# Youth on the Rise

TCA seniors Alan Fandrich and Savannah Sims were honored in the 2020 Youth on the Rise feature of Preston Hollow People Newspaper; they were the only two high-schoolers selected for this honor.

Check out the articles on the People Newspaper website.





# French and Spanish Honor Societies

Congratulations to the following students who were recently inducted into the French and Spanish Honor Societies for excellent academic achievement, active involvement and genuine interest in their respective language.

French: Seth Bator, Emily Clay, Zachary Coronado, Claire Floyd, Emma Hodge, Claire Shodeen, Grace Weir, Ashley Woo, Jack Yang, Jason Yang and Sage Yassa.

Spanish: Claire Andrews, Amara Asrawi, Olivia Baldwin, Molly Berryman, Brianna Bird, Taya Burgett, Hannah Burke, Kathryn Callahan, Luke Chan, Caroline Cinatl, Olivia Clark, Paige Cotter, Charlie Crawford, Anthony Cundari, Victoria Dahncke, Connor Dewey, Trey Dyess, Lauren Elms, Jake Gore, Collin Groezinger, Reilly Hanna, Matthew Harvey, Jaxx Hatton, Reagan Havel, Cade Holliday, Leah Kegerreis, Natalie Konstans, Anna Kutz, Eva Kutz, Lauren Lee, Morgan Locke, Anna Beth Lowrey, Austin Marquardt, Derek Martinez, Austin Mattox, Jack Maust, Evan Mawhee, Luke Mays, Jackson McFarlane, Katherine McLain, Sophie McNeill, Dutch McStay, Ethan Merrifield, Mason Morland, Anna Muccio, Caroline Murzin, Kjirsta Olson, Ryan O'Shea, Avery Overberg, Brianna Queen, Dhamar Ramirez, Henry Ridley, Reagan Rodgers, Wilson Roe, Lindsay Shipley, Savannah Sims, Joel Smitherman, William Sullivan, Sofia Tavarez, Ruthie Turner, Elihu Ventura, Adelaide Walker, Emily Watters, Gracy Watts, Jackson Wells, Major Wheless, Conner Williams, Jackson Wood, Christopher Woodhouse, Caroline Woodward, Lauren Wright, Annie Xia, Kate Yanof, Elizabeth Yeary and Jessica Young.

# **Private School Art** Invitational

Congratulations to the following students whose work was selected to represent TCA in this year's Private School Art Invitational:



Evangeline Estrada -First Place. sixth grade

Grayson May - fifth grade Elliot Severson – fifth grade MJ Smith - fifth grade Ally Ballard - sixth grade Lucy Massinger – seventh grade Maya Nguyen – seventh grade Ana Zuniga – seventh grade Morgan Amison – eighth grade Ryleigh Habern - eighth grade Audrey Hestwood - eighth grade

Hannah Roquemore - eighth grade

# **Young American Talent Competition**

Congratulations to the following students for placing in the Young American Talent High School Art Competition:

Alexis Locke - Honorable Mention, Painting and Watercolor

Jasmine Miller - Second Place, Photography (right)





Gabby Parker - Honorable Mention, Printmaking Olivia Priest - Second Place, Digital Imaging (left)

#### **TVAA Awards**

TCA Upper School visual arts students participated in the Texas Visual Arts Association Competition and had more pieces accepted and more award winners than any other participating school, public or private. Congratulations to the following students for earning awards:

Olivia Berggren - Dennis M. Kratz Dean's Award

Audrey Anna Chance – Juror's Choice, Second Place Abby Coronado - Best of Show Award (below-2)

Sadie Ellis - Outstanding Video Award

Leah Kegerreis - Juror's Choice Award

**Luke Langford** - Outstanding Drawing Award (below-3)

Emma Layman - Outstanding Sculpture Award

(below-4)

Gray McCabe - Honorable Mention



# All-State Band, Choir and **Orchestra**

Congratulations to the following students for being selected for the TPSMEA All-State Concerts:



All-State Choir: Bryn Correa, Allison Jones, Anna Kutz, Clarke Pino, Emily Watters and Mikaela Weiss



All-State Jazz Band: Joey Fedro All-State Symphonic Band: Zach Coronado All-State Orchestra: Alan Fandrich

## **TPSMEA Vocal Music Awards**

Congratulations to the following students for their music achievements at the TPSMEA Region 1 Vocal Solo/Ensemble Contest:

Superior Rating, Class 3 Song - Madeline

Superior Rating, Class 2 Song – Aubrie Amado Superior Rating, Class 1 Song (qualifying for state competition) - Bryn Correa, Gable Delp, Reagan Havel, Allison Jones, Anna Kutz, Rachel Mills, Clarke Pino and Emily Watters

Superior Rating, Class 1 Ensemble – Aubrie Amado, Madyson Benschneider, Annie Burke, Emily Clay, Bryn Correa, Gable Delp, Reagan Havel, Allison Jones, Anna Kutz, Rachel Mills, Madeline Prescott, Hattie Sykes and Emily Watters

#### **TPSMEA Band Awards**

Congratulations to the following students for their TPSMEA band achievements:

#### **TPSMEA Middle School Honor Band**

Flute - Lucy Dennis

Clarinet - Luca Palazzo, Nathan Chou, Sergio Zuniga and alternate **Avery Wells** 

Bass Clarinet - Chloe Borud (first chair)

Trumpet - Joseph Fitzgerald (first chair)

French Horn - Ally Lee and first alternate Christian Yang

Trombone – **Kylie Jones** and Owen Ellis

Percussion - Molly Youn (first chair), Avary Marsh (second chair) and first alternate Jackson Duke

#### **TPSMEA North Region High School Band**

Clarinet - Sarah Gerard, Ayla Francis Bass Clarinet - Lily Yassa Bassoon - Zachary Coronado French Horn - Alanna Soileau Bass Trombone - Hannah Burke





# **Math Olympians**

The following Lower School and Middle School students placed in the ACSI Math Olympics this year:

#### **Third Grade**

**Andrew Antush** – Superior rating, Fifth Place, Reasoning

**Brooks Barton** – Excellent rating, Computation

Crosby Gard – Excellent rating, Computation

Camden Haas - Superior rating, Second Place, Reasoning

Mateo Katan – Superior rating, Reasoning

#### **Fourth Grade**

Will Anderson – Superior rating, First Place, Reasoning

Maddy Ballard – Superior rating, Reasoning

Knox Brookshire - Superior rating, Reasoning Jayden Lee - Superior rating, Second Place,

Computation Daniel Russ - Superior rating, First Place,

Computation

**Kennedy Travis** – Superior rating, Third Place, Computation

#### Sixth Grade

**Tyler Chiang** – Fourth Place, Computation Nathan Youn - First Place, Reasoning

#### **Seventh Grade**

Jackson Dean - Third Place, Reasoning Jackson Duke - Third Place, Computation

Karys Karlow - First Place, Reasoning

Daniel Yang - Second Place, Computation

#### **Eighth Grade**

Eliotte Lin - Third Place, Reasoning

#### **National Latin Exam**

Each year, seventh- and eighth-grade Latin students are given the opportunity to participate in the National Latin Exam with over 140,000 other students. Congratulations to these outstanding Latin students:

#### **Eighth Grade**

Perfect Score and Summa Cum Laude – Gold Medal: **Lucy Dennis** 

Summa Cum Laude – Gold Medal: Kylie Jones, Ally Lee, Annabelle Lee, Ava Rodriguez and Molly Youn

Maxima Cum Laude – Silver Medal: John Badger, Chloe Borud, Heather Brownlee, Nathan Chou, Ellie Eisenberg, Owen Ellis, Bailey Ellsworth, Alex Kim, Eliotte Lin, Aidan Mills and Christian Yang

Magna Cum Laude: Luke Doré, Kate Hurley, Grace Leverton, Ava Mills and Anna Sharpe

Cum Laude: Evan Acevedo, Drew Betts, Georgia Clay, Karalyn Ehmke, Joseph Fitzgerald, Sam Martin, David Meiser and Evelyn Sullivan

#### **Seventh Grade**

Perfect Exam: Lily Gossett, Addy Orozco, Ella Stewart and Ana Sofia Zuniga

Outstanding Achievement Certificate: Eliot Brookshire, Jackson Dean, Ava Dewey, Jackson Duke, Ella Eubanks, Emma Helt, Alexa Herrington, Karys Karlow, Carlos Luna, Avary Marsh, Sean Meador, Alexis Meyer, Sloan Nelson, Luke Oliver, Sophia Pfannstiel, Noah Rodgers, Noah Simpson and Sergio Zuniga

Achievement Certificate: Caroline Anderson (8th), Taylor Clarke, Ryan Elms, Anna Garcia, Gael Garcia, Elijah Liu, Katherine Lowrey, Molly Maddox, Logan McIntyre, Claire Millet, Maya Nguyen, Tee Parker, Lilly Parrill and Shealy Seitz

# **Eighth-Grade Awards**

Art: Audrey Hestwood, Ally Lee, Evelyn Sullivan Band: Lucy Dennis, Owen Ellis, Joseph Fitzgerald, Kylie Jones, Avary Marsh, Luca

Palazzo, Molly Youn

Bible: Joseph Fitzgerald, Ally Lee

Choir: Allie Arthur, John Badger, Donya Kinley, William Lehman

High Tech/Robotics: Bailey Ellsworth,

**Grace Leverton** 

History/English: Morgan Amison, Nathan Chou, Lucy Dennis, Bailey Ellsworth, Ally Lee,

Aidan Mills

Latin: Lucy Dennis, Kylie Jones, Ally Lee

Math: Morgan Amison, Ally Lee, Annabelle Lee, Molly Youn

Science: Morgan Amison, Annabelle Lee, Aidan Mills

Speech/Drama: Katherine Broyles, Kate Hurley

#### **Grades 9–11 Awards**

Bible: Caroline Woodward

Drama I: Olivia Ouimette

Drama II: Katherine Novakovich, Blaire Weiss

Men's Chorus: **Derek Martinez**Women's Chorus: **Gable Delp**Outstanding Musician: **Bryn Correa** 

Outstanding Musician Band Award: Elizabeth Branstetter, Hannah Burke, Joey Fedro Sculpture/3D Mixed Media/Ceramics:

Aly Bayliss

H Studio Art: Faith Huffman, Jayden Moore

H Photography: CeCe Bogda

H Drawing/Painting/Printmaking: Gabbie Parker

H Digital Art/Electronic Collage/Video

Animation: Olivia Priest

H Drawing II/Painting II/Printmaking II: Adelaide Walker, Landry Walton

History/English Grade 9: Cece Bogda,

Ayla Francis, Richelle Kim

History/English Grade 10: Daniel Baker, Isabela Figueroa, Ryan Freese

History/English Grade 11: Wilson Roe, Adelaide Walker, Jackson Wells

Algebra I: Ruby Watts

H Geometry: **Bethany Grimm** 

H Algebra II: Justin Miller

Honors Trig/IntroCalculus: Emma Hodge,

Brianna Queen

Pre AP Trig/Calculus A: **Hannah Burke** 

Biology: Hannah Buford, James Jeter

Pre AP Biology: Lauren Deaton, Parker Prideaux

Chemistry: **Luke Huffman, Lili Rolfe**Pre AP Chemistry: **Mary-Michael Graham,** 

Justin Miller

Physics: Reagan Rogers, Conner Williams

AP Physics Mechanics: **Jason Yang** H Tech Intern Award: **Jackson Wells** 

H Informational Technology: Parker Prideaux,

Max Wheless

H Computer Science Foundation: **Heath Booker,** 

Dylan Kinley

H Web Programming: **Kelly Dance**AP Computer Science: **Juliana Voth** 

French II: **Jad Sewaiseh**H French III: **Collin Dewey** 

Pre AP French III: Ashley Woo

Spanish I: Evan Olson, Daniel Richardson

Spanish II: Mary-Michael Graham H Spanish II: Mary Lauren Westover

Spanish III: Evan Mawhee

Pre AP Spanish III: Reilly Hannah

#### **Senior Awards**

Valedictorians: Mason Morland, Savannah Sims

Trinity Spirit: Blake Mercer

TCA Good Citizenship Award: Landry Hays,

Mason Morland

Trojan Heart: **Michael Heidelbaugh, Mikaela Weiss** Scholar Athletes: **Mason Morland, Savannah Sims** 

Bible: Haleigh Brown

AP English: Mason Morland, Sage Yassa Senior Thesis: Haleigh Brown, Jasmine Miller

Advanced Drama: Carter Burgoon,

**Gracie Massinger** 

Drama Director's Award: Landry Hays, Clarke Pino

Outstanding Theater Student: **Kyle Cotter** Outstanding Musicians: **Matthew Harvey**,

Allison Jones, Clarke Pino

Choral Director's Award: Harrison Fields,

**Grant Winslow** 

Louis Armstrong Jazz Award: Lilly Stanton
John Philip Sousa Award: Zachary Coronado
Band Director's Award: Cooper James, Caleb Key,
Jenna Larson

Trojan Band Award: Isabella Berthel, Jonathan

Chock, Ethan Merrifield
AP Art: Abby Coronado
AP Government: Sage Yassa
AP Calculus BC: Matthew Harvey

AP Calculus AB: **Allie Knudsen**Trig/Intro Business Calculus: **Sage Yassa** 

Finite Math: Thomas Hand

AP Biology: Isabella Berthel, Henry Ridley

AP Chemistry: Allie Knudsen

H Engineering Design: Matthew Harvey,

Jenna Larson

H Anatomy & Physiology: Mason Morland,

Jessica Young

H Astronomy: Logan Rock, Sage Yassa

Field Ecology: Faith Johnson

Special Topics Computer Science: Alan Fandrich,

Cameron Gilmore

AP French IV: **Sage Yassa** AP Spanish IV: **Jessica Young** 

Yearbook: Avery Cotter, Maggie Harrison, Natalie Konstans, Anna Kate Parrent, Caroline Spears



# TheHonorRoll

### Congratulations to all these students who made the **Second Trimester** Honor Rolls:

Olivia Clark

# Summa Cum Laude

GPA of 4.2 or higher

#### **Seniors**

Amara Asrawi Isabella Berthel Haleigh Brown Jo Anna Bryans Carter Burgoon Jonathan Chock File Clark Riley Conine Abigail Coronado Zachary Coronado Avery Cotter Kyle Cotter Lindsey Crow Alan Fandrich Harrison Fields Carter Getz Maggie Harrison Matthew Harvey Landry Hays Mason Hinckley Kyndal Hinton Caleb Key Allie Knudsen Natalie Konstans Mali Krone Jenna Larson Alexis Locke Anna Beth Lowrey Gracie Massinger Katherine McLain Dutch McStay Blake Mercer Ethan Merrifield Mason Morland Ben Murphy Garrett Orten Danielle Parker Clarke Pino Henry Ridley Logan Rock Savannah Sims Caroline Spears Nathan Stara Ruthie Turner Flla Ward Gracy Watts Lily Westover Michael Wilmotte Audrey Wines Grant Winslow Sage Yassa Jessica Young

#### **Juniors**

Claire Andrews Lexy Babler Luke Babler Seth Bator Molly Berryman Elizabeth Branstetter Taya Burgett Hannah Burke Brianna Byrd Kathryn Callahan Dawson Chaffin Emily Clay Paige Cotter Charlie Crawford Anthony Cundari Victoria Dahncke Kelly Dance Connor Dewey Brady Doyle Lauren Flms Sarah Gerard Jake Gore Connor Graham Blaine Grimes Collin Groezinger

Jaxx Hatton Reagan Havel Evan Hennes Emma Hodge Cade Holliday Luke Jun Leah Kegerreis Eva Kutz Lauren Lee Georgia Leeds Hannah Little Morgan Locke Austin Marquardt Jack Maust Luke Mays Will McIntosh Sophie McNeill Anna Muccio Caroline Murzin Daniel Nelson Kjirsta Olson Ryan O'Shea Avery Overberg Reagan Pierce Peyton Prideaux Brianna Queen Reagan Rodgers Wilson Roe Patricia Sharon Claire Shodeen Boone Simms Ioel Smitherman William Sullivan Ashton Karoline Waldrop Adelaide Walker Landry Walton Emily Watters Grace Weir Jackson Wells Conner Williams Ashley Woo Jackson Wood Caroline Woodward Lauren Wright Annie Xia Jason Yang Kate Yano

#### **Sophomores** James Badger

Daniel Baker Cecilia Banderob Isabela Barrientos-Figueroa Ellie Blocker Shannon Burchett Caroline Cinatl Alyssa Clemovitz Collin Dewey Lauren Elvebak Ainsley Ferrell Lynnson Fort Ren Francis Rvan Freese Mary-Michael Graham Anna Heidelbaugh Halle Hermes Isabella Jackson Emily Jones Emily Keramidas Brooks Krantz Emma Layman Jack Layman Johnny Lipscomb Allie Mays Mason Merchant Kayla Meyer Justin Miller Javden Moore Emily Morris Mary Neuhoff Schuyler Noordhoff

Katherine Novakovich

Markus Schumacher

Luke Peron Olivia Priest

Josie Raftelis

Katie Reding

Caroline Sharp

Preston Spears Sheridan Thexton Luke Tredennick Juliana Voth Sydney Wayte Mary Lauren Westover Max Wheless

#### Freshmen

Courtney Anderson Kate Barclay Elleanna Berthel Cece Bogda Jenna Branstetter Jake Callahan Matthew Campbell Lauren Deaton Gable Delp Jack Drake Rose Duncan Avla Francis Ally Gerard Bethany Grimm Kazia Handoko Morgan Hausz Aly Heidelbaugh Shea Hinckley Sydney Hinckley Faith Huffman James Jeter Camie Jobe Richelle Kim Dylan Kinley Caroline Laible Landon Littleton Trinity Martin Emma McIntyre Maddie McMullen Lola McNeill Lexi Meador Max Merrifield Evan Olson Olivia Ouimette Gabrielle Parker Hailey Parmenter Parker Prideaux Jack Rea Daniel Richardson Jordan Rutledge Sebastian Silva Alana Soileau Joshua Staz Justin Sunwoo Samantha Treadway Ruby Watts Lily Yassa Andrew Yates Jocelyn Youn

#### 8th Grade

Samantha Zuniga

Morgan Amison Lucy Dennis Donya Kinley Ally Lee Annabelle Lee Molly Youn

#### 7th Grade

Ava Dewey

# Magna Cum Laude GPA of 3.8-4.19

#### **Seniors**

Olivia Baldwin Olivia Berggren Catherine Binkley Andrew Buser

Adrianna Cortez Flla Kate Cotter Sadie Ellis Chloe Floyd Madeleine Floyd Bethany Forde Cameron Gilmore Audrey Gradick Colton Hackney Jackson Hall Thomas Hand Michael Heidelbaugh Belle Holden Barrett Jessen Faith Johnson Allison Jones Luke Langford Cameron May Jasmine Miller Anna Kate Parrent Philip Petersen Kristin Reding Michael Ruch Zoe Schiefer Lauren Smith Drew Soderstrom Hayden Stone Nyomi Thomas Kakkie Waldrop Mikaela Weiss Jack Wenzel Major Wheless Brendan Williams Clara Woodward Elizabeth Yeary Dylan Young

#### **Juniors**

Rex Ah Chu Blake Beal Ben Branning Luke Chan Zach Clift Ian Collier Bryn Correa Jack Courtney Daniel Delp Trey Dyess Claire Floyd Will Greenstein Andrew Ho Sydney Johnston Anna Kutz Jackson McFarlane Jack McNeill Delaney Meiser Will Mercer Jake Schneider Lukas Schumacher Lindsay Shipley Mackenna Shults Kate Walliser Addison Willey Caroline Williams Caroline Williams Christopher Woodhouse

#### Catherine Yates Sophomores

Aly Bayliss Mary Margaret Bell Madyson Benschneider Heath Booker Annie Burke Amelia Corliss Abigail Crane Cooper Getz Kate Goodman Claire Grimes Payton Harper Sophie Hunt Lila Johnson Jonah Key Annabel Lee Derek Martinez

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#### Brian Yates 8th Grade Allie Arthur

Carolina Anderson

John Badger Finn Barton Harrison Brown Heather Brownlee Teegan Burgett Nathan Chou Jared Courtney Zach Dodgen Karalyn Ehmke Ellie Eisenberg Owen Ellis Bailey Ellsworth Joseph Fitzgerald Audrey Hestwood Haley Janacek Kylie Jones Alex Kim Grace Leverton Eliotte Lin Avary Marsh David Meiser Ava Mills Aidan Mills Jake Overmann Dylan Rock Ava Rodriguez Hannah Roquemore Anna Sharpe Cate Woodward

#### 7th Grade

Jenna Barker Fliot Brookshire I vla Brown Avery Castleman John Clark Taylor Clarke Jackson Dean Jackson Duke Rvan Elms Ella Eubanks Lily Gossett Addison Haggard Annabella Hays Emma Helt Alexa Herrington Karys Karlow Sophia Latham Brynn Lawrence Flijah Liu Carlos Luna Shelby Martgan Molly Mattox Max McConathy Logan McIntyre Ava McNaught Sean Meador Alexis Meyer Claire Millet Sloan Nelson Blair Neumayer Luke Oliver Caleb Olson Addy Orozco Tee Parker Lilly Parrill Sophia Pfannstiel Brayden Rice Rachel Rice Noah Rodgers Shealy Seitz Takashi Shaw Parker Springer Ella Stewarl Avery Wells Daniel Yang Ana Sofia Zuniga Sergio Zuniga

# Cum Laude GPA of 3.5-3.79

#### Seniors

Ariana Asrawi Amelia Brown Jackson Buser Claire Franke Harrison Heflin David Hudgins Cooper James Jordan Karrh Austin Mattox Ashleigh Rutledge Frin Smith Samantha Starnes Elihu Ventura Chandler Woods

#### **Juniors**

Blake Birmingham Audrey Anna Chance Luke Crain Olivia Dewey Will Duncan Ella Grace Hattendorf Brooks Heard Riley Herzog Jon Paul Lipe Evan Mawhee Ashley McCuller Cash McStay Joseph Nash

Blake Sorrels Gavin Thornton

#### **Sophomores**

Aubrie Amado Grace Anderson Zoe Binkley Olivia Brennan Matthew Clifton Avery Copple Riley Hamilton Hannah Helt Luke Hoerner Luke Huffman Hollis Jarrell Katie Johnson Jenna Lowrey Will Martin Rachel Mills Alan Morrison Emma Neeman Jianna Redden Rhett Rice Anna Claire Somich Ben Sorgen Will Spivey Jordy Sucilea Blaire Weiss

#### Freshmen

Tripp Arthur Hannah Ball Will Bowling David Boylan Kyle Causey Harrison Crow Michael Graham Landon Ham Hayden Heflin Maxwell Morland Jack Mullis Jake Nolan Reese Ryland Mason Smith Chance Snyder Hunter Stegman

#### 8th Grade

Cody Baker Payne Bator Bretton Brantley Kassadi Brown Katherine Broyles Audrey Bryant Georgia Clay James Crawford Olivia Cundari Dawson Harper Ivv Jordan David Kramp Olivia Ledebur Sam Martin Lexi Mikula Erick Mills Luca Palazzo Sydney Ridnour Avery Sulzen Hank Valenta Christian Yang

#### 7th Grade

Hannah Belf Anna Garcia Lauren Greenstein Hudson Joseph Abby Jun LaTaijah Lewis Kelsey Long Katherine Lowrey Brennan McNaught Ellie Neeman Maya Nguyen Reagan Ramsey Mae Sharpe Gigi Simmons Noah Simpson Jack Van Duinen Brett Yanof

# TheHonorRoll

### Congratulations to all these students who made the **Third Trimester** Honor Rolls:

# Summa Cum Laude

#### GPA of 4.2 or higher

#### **Seniors**

Amara Asrawi Olivia Berggren Isabella Berthel Catherine Binkley Amelia Brown Haleigh Brown Jo Anna Bryans Carter Burgoon Andrew Buser Jonathan Chock File Clark Riley Conine Abigail Coronado Avery Cotter Kyle Cotter Lindsey Crow Harrison Fields Carter Getz Matthew Harvey Michael Heidelbaugh Mason Hinckley Kyndal Hinton Barrett Jessen Mark Johnson Allison Jones Caleb Key Allie Knudsen Natalie Konstans Mali Krone Luke Langford Jenna Larson Alexis Locke Anna Beth Lowrey Katherine McLain Dutch McStay Blake Mercer Ethan Merrifield Jasmine Miller Mason Morland Ben Murphy Garrett Orten Danielle Parker Anna Kate Parrent Clarke Pino Henry Ridley Logan Rock Savannah Sims Drew Soderstrom Caroline Spears Nathan Stara Ruthie Turner Kakkie Waldrop Ella Ward Gracy Watts
Lily Westover
Brendan Williams Audrey Wines Grant Winslow Clara Woodward Sage Yassa Elizabeth Yeary Jessica Young

#### **Juniors**

Rex Ah Chu Claire Andrews Lexy Babler Luke Babler Seth Bator Blake Beal Molly Berryman Taya Burgett Hannah Burke Brianna Byrd Kathryn Callahan Dawson Chaffin Audrey Anna Chance Emily Clay Zach Clift Ian Collier Bryn Correa Paige Cotter Jack Courtney

Charlie Crawford Anthony Cundari Victoria Dahncke Kelly Dance Daniel Delp Connor Dewey Brady Doyle Trey Dyess Lauren Elms Claire Floyd Sarah Gerard Will Greenstein Blaine Grimes Collin Groezinger Reilly Hanna laxx Hatton Reagan Havel Evan Hennes Andrew Ho Emma Hodge Cade Holliday Sydney Johnston Luke Jun Leah Kegerreis Fva Kutz Lauren Lee Georgia Leeds Jon Paul Lipe Hannah Little Morgan Locke Austin Marquardt lack Maust Will McIntosh Sophie McNeill Will Mercer Anna Muccio Caroline Murzin Daniel Nelson Kjirsta Olson Ryan O'Shea Avery Overberg Reagan Pierce Pevton Prideaux Brianna Queen Reagan Rodgers Wilson Roe Patricia Sharon Claire Shodeen Boone Simms Inel Smitherman William Sullivan Gavin Thornton Ashton Karoline Waldrop Adelaide Walker Kate Walliser Landry Walton Emily Watters Grace Weir Jackson Wells Addison Willey Conner Williams Ashley Woo Jackson Wood Caroline Woodward Lauren Wright Annie Xia Jason Yang

#### Catherine Yates Sonhomores

Kate Yanot

James Badger Daniel Baker Cecilia Banderob Isabela Barrientos-Figueroa Aly Bayliss Ellie Blocker Shannon Burchett Caroline Cinatl Alyssa Clemovitz Amelia Corliss Collin Dewey Lauren Elvebak Ainsley Ferrell Lynnson Fort Ben Francis Ryan Freese Mary-Michael Graham Anna Heidelbaugh Halle Hermes Isabella Jackson Lila Johnson Fmily Jones

Emily Keramidas Emma Layman Jack Layman Johnny Lipscomb Katelyn Long Jenna Lowrey Allie Mays Mason Merchant Kayla Meyer Justin Miller Jayden Moore Emily Morris Mary Neuhoff Schuvler Noordhoff Katherine Novakovich Luke Peron Madeline Prescott Olivia Priest Josie Raftelis Katie Reding Lili Rolfe Markus Schumacher Caroline Sharp Landrie Smith Preston Spears Sheridan Thexton Luke Tredennick Juliana Voth Sydney Wayte Mary Lauren Westover Max Wheless Camden Williams Connor Wines Emelie Wong

#### Freshmen

Courtney Anderson Kate Barclay Elleanna Berthel Cece Bogda Hannah Buford Jake Callahan Matthew Campbell Lauren Deaton Gable Delp Jack Drake Rose Duncan William Ferem Ayla Francis Hannah Garcia Ally Gerard Bethany Grimm Caitlyn Hackney Kazia Handoko Peyton Hatfield Morgan Hausz Aly Heidelbaugh Shea Hinckley Sydney Hinckley Faith Huffman James Jeter Camie Jobe Richelle Kim Dylan Kinley Caroline Laible Charley Kate Ledebur JJ Leverton Landon Littleton Trinity Martin Aidan McCauley Emma McIntyre Maddie McMullen Lola McNeill Lexi Meador Max Merrifield Bo Miltenberger Reed Neatherlin Evan Olson Tyler Osterloh Olivia Ouimette Gabrielle Parker Hailey Parmenter Seth Pinto Lilly Pool Parker Prideaux Dhamar Ramirez Jack Rea

Kendall Reding

Carson Roach

Sebastian Silva

Kate Smith

Jordan Rutledge

Daniel Richardson

Kathryn Richardson

Alana Soileau Joshua Staz Emma Kate Sullivan Justin Sunwoo Collin Truitt Logan Walters Ruby Watts Josie Wilder Lily Yassa Andrew Yates Jocelyn Youn Samantha Zuniga

#### 8th Grade

Morgan Amison John Badger Teegan Burgett Nathan Chou Lucy Dennis Bailey Ellsworth Haley Janacek Kylie Jones Donya Kinley Ally Lee Annabelle Lee Grace Leverton Eliotte Lin David Meiser Aidan Mills Hannah Roquemore Anna Sharpe Molly Youn

#### 7th Grade

Eliot Brookshire Ava Dewey Lily Gossett Carlos Luna Rachel Rice Sergio Zuniga

# Magna Cum Laude

#### GPA of 3.8-4.19

#### **Seniors**

Ariana Asrawi Olivia Baldwin Jackson Barringer Olivia Clark
Zachary Coronado
Adrianna Cortez Flla Kate Cotter Sadie Ellis Alan Fandrich Lindsey Fish Chloe Floyd Madeleine Floyd Bethany Forde Jayce Frady Claire Franke Audrey Gradick Colton Hackney Jackson Hall Thomas Hand Maggie Harrison Landry Hays Harrison Heflin Belle Holden Faith Johnson Jordan Karrh Gracie Massinger Austin Mattox Cameron May Kristin Reding Michael Ruch Ashleigh Rutledge Zoe Schiefer Lauren Smith Samantha Starnes Hayden Stone Nyomi Thomas Elihu Ventura Mikaela Weiss Jack Wenzel Major Wheless Michael Wilmotte Dylan Young

#### Juniors

Libby Barnes Cade Barringer Ben Branning Elizabeth Branstetter Luke Chan Olivia Dewey Will Duncan Jake Gore Connor Graham Ella Grace Hattendorf Brooks Heard Riley Herzog Anna Kutz Evan Mawhee Luke Mays Ashley McCuller Jackson McFarlane Cash McStay Delaney Meiser Jake Schneider Lukas Schumacher Lindsay Shipley Mackenna Shults Caroline Williams Caroline Williams Christopher Woodhouse

#### **Sophomores**

Mary Margaret Bell Madyson Benschneider Zoe Binkley Annie Burke Avery Copple Abigail Crane Charlie Franke Cooper Getz Kate Goodman Claire Grimes Riley Hamilton Payton Harper Hannah Helt Luke Huffman Sophie Hunt Jonah Key Brooks Krantz Annabel Lee Will Martin Rachel Mills Emma Neeman Rhett Rice Jackson Rogers Henry Smith Anna Claire Somich Ben Sorgen Will Spivey Parke Turner Lucas Walsh

Freshmen Tripp Arthur Will Bowling Jenna Branstetter Kyle Causey Tanner Conine Harrison Crow Hunter Daughdrill Rex Day Michael Graham Hayden Heflin Taylor Hervey Luke Johnston Joshua Liu **Fmily Mercer** Sophia Miller Maxwell Morland Blake Muschalek Charlie Nine Ella Kate Priest Reese Ryland Hannah Schneider Christopher Sharon Cara Smith Hunter Springer Hunter Stegman Sofia Tavarez Sydney Weatherford Nick Wenzel Sam White **Brian Yates** 

#### 8th Grade

Carolina Anderson Allie Arthur Finn Barton Bretton Brantley Blake Broekemeier Kassadi Brown Harrison Brown Heather Brownlee Audrev Bryant Georgia Clay Jared Courtney James Crawford Olivia Cundari Walker Davis Karalvn Ehmke Ellie Éisenberg Owen Ellis Joseph Fitzgerald Ivy Jordan Alex Kim David Kramp William Lehman Avary Marsh Mycah McKelvey Ava Mills Erick Mills Jake Overmann Sydney Ridnour Dylan Rock Ava Rodriguez Avery Sulzen Cate Woodward Christian Yang

#### 7th Grade

Jenna Barker JoVahn Bernard Lyla Brown John Clark Jackson Dean Jackson Duke Ryan Elms Ella Eubanks Annabella Hays Emma Helt Alexa Herrington Hudson Joseph Abby Jun Karys Karlow Brynn Lawrence LaTaijah Lewis Elijah Liu Shelby Martgan Molly Mattox Max McConathy Logan McIntyre Sean Meador Claire Millet Sloan Nelson Blair Neumayer Maya Nguyen Luke Oliver Caleb Olson Addy Orozco Tee Parker Lilly Parrill Sophia Pfannstiel Reagan Ramsey Brayden Rice Noah Rodgers Shealy Seitz Mae Sharpe Takashi Shaw Parker Springer Flla Stewart

## Cum Laude GPA of 3.5-3.79

Ana Sofia Zuniga

Daniel Yang

#### Seniors

Jackson Buser Chase Colquitt Will Compton Hallie Harvey

David Hudgins Philip Petersen Caleb Robbins Kendall Stewart Chandler Woods

#### **Juniors**

Carter Aiken Luke Crain Jack McNeill Brian Morris Joseph Nash Jonathan Neve Delaney O'Shea

#### **Sophomores**

Aubrie Amado Grace Anderson Heath Booker Olivia Brennan Matthew Clifton Kaylee Connell Brody Davis MacLean Hays Weston McCabe Alan Morrison Mark Nilson Cody Polk Jianna Redden Gehrig Scott Jordy Sucilea Sterling Wyman

#### Freshmen

Hannah Ball Sadie Blue David Boylan Will Gallagher Owen Hattendorf Wyatt Merrill Chance Snyder

#### 8th Grade

Evan Acevedo Cody Baker Payne Bator Chloe Borud Katherine Broyles Max Burchett Lexi Cowan Zach Dodgen Luke Dore Lindsey Dorman Aidan Dortch Bailee Dortch Deacon Dortch Dylan Eubanks Audrey Hestwood Christopher Lampe Olivia Ledebur Lexi Mikula Luca Palazzo Annika Powers Rachel Rader Evelvn Sullivan Sawyer Tripp Luke West

#### 7th Grade

Hannah Belf Avery Castleman Taylor Clarke Colin Hamilton Katherine Lowrey Ava McNaught Brennan McNaught Alexis Meyer Fllie Neeman Taylor Rasor Lexie Ronde Gigi Simmons Jack Van Duinen Parker Walton Brett Yanof

# 50 Years of Generosity

So much has changed in our world over the past 50 years; however, one thing remains the same, our TCA community is known for joyful, open-handed generosity!

For decades, parents, grandparents, alumni and friends have come together to excel in the grace of giving by investing in the lives of TCA students.

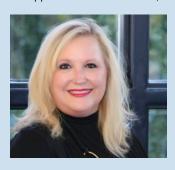
Over the past 50 years, our community has left a legacy for future generations by supporting capital campaigns to build our campus. Here are a few highlights:

- \$7 million to build the TCA Lower School in 2000
- \$7.5 million to build the TCA Performing Arts Center in 2010
- \$600,000 to provide a new turf for Tom Landry Stadium and a new ladies locker room in 2014
- \$17.1 million for the Pursuing Excellence Campaign for a new PreK Center and Middle School
- \$360,000 to provide a new electronic scoreboard for Tom Landry Stadium in 2020

In addition to capital projects, our TCA community invests directly in the lives of students through Student Tuition Aid (STA). Currently, more than \$1.4 million is awarded annually to provide tuition assistance for approximately 10% of our student population. Over the years, the lives of more than 3,200 students have been impacted through STA.

William E. "Bill" Millet started the first scholarship fund in 1974. In 1985, the endowment designated for Student Tuition Aid was named in memory of Bill's wife, Joyce Millet. Today, over 40 named scholarship endowments have been established within the fund.

Over the last decade, more than \$50 million has been given to support the mission of TCA, building on what our forefathers



began. Through your generosity, you create a ripple effect that touches lives for generation after generation. I am humbled and grateful for your kindness, compassion and investment in TCA.

Thank you for 50 years of generosity!

BECKY D. LEWIS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, TRINITY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY FOUNDATION







FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT GIVING OPPORTUNITIES, PLEASE CONTACT BECKY LEWIS AT 972-447-4609 OR BLEWIS@TRINITYCHRISTIAN.ORG.

# NEW TRUSTEES



#### **DERIC EUBANKS**

Deric is the chief financial officer of Ashford Inc. Deric and his wife, Emily, have two children at TCA, Dylan (8th) and Ella (7th), and they came to TCA in 2011. The family attends Watermark Community Church in Dallas.

The Eubanks family has been blessed by TCA, and Deric is honored and excited to serve on

the Board of Trustees. "Our family has been so blessed by TCA and the TCA community. I am honored to serve with my fellow trustees and excited to see how God will continue to use this school for His glory."

#### WENDY HERMES

Wendy is a litigation attorney with the firm Thiebaud, Remington, Thornton & Bailey. She represents physicians, hospitals and other healthcare providers in malpractice cases, in addition to serving on the Board of Trustees of



Baylor University Medical Center. Wendy and her husband, Brian, have two children at TCA, Halle (10th) and Hayes (6th). Each has been at TCA since kindergarten, and they have been part of the TCA community since 2009. The Hermes family attends Watermark Community Church in Dallas.

Wendy is honored by the opportunity to serve on the TCA Board of Trustees. She looks forward to working alongside fellow trustees and administrators to follow the Lord's guidance in making TCA the best that it can be.



# **CONCESSIONS**

Thank you to **Tricia Westover** and **Stacy Noordhoff.** These ladies served as cocoordinators for concessions for the sophomore
class. They have done such a fantastic job for
this fundraiser, and TCA is so grateful for the
time they have given. Tricia and Stacy led hundreds
of parent and student volunteers in the class
fundraising effort, manning the concession
stands for TCA home sporting events for the
year. If you were an opener, closer or a member
of the Friday night football concession team,
we could not have done it without you! Although
we did not get to finish our spring sports season,

concessions still had a very profitable year. All the money raised from concession sales are used for the senior class trip for these students. Thank you, Tricia and Stacy, and your entire team, for your hard work; you all did a tremendous job!



# **BIG BLUE**

Big Blue would like to thank
Casey Babler and Jackie
Schimmer Harrison '86,
this year's Big Blue
volunteers. Casey and
Jackie have faithfully served
in Big Blue this year, selling
snacks and TCA spirit wear
to the community. If you've
ever been in Big Blue after
school, you know extra
hands are a blessing! Thank
you so much, Casey and Jackie,
for your willingness to serve
all year!



# **UNIFORM RESALE**

PTF would like to thank Elizabeth

Dahncke, this year's Uniform Resale coordinator. We are so grateful for her hard work on behalf of PTF and the school. This project is under the leadership of PTF Secretary Becky

Jones. Over the past year, these ladies have been sorting, washing, steaming and mending uniforms to prepare them for resale in Big Blue. The community is grateful to PTF for providing this service to TCA families. It provides a huge cost savings for so many families, and it could not have been done without the help of these ladies. Thank you so much, Elizabeth and Becky!





# PARENT-TEACHER FELLOWSHIP BOARD

A tremendous thank you to the 2019-20 PTF Board: Secretary **Danylle Leeds**, President **Jena Hattendorf**, Vice President **Susan Mattox** and Treasurer **Becky Jones**. TCA is grateful for all the time you devote to the school and all of the support you provide through the Room Mother program, Mini School Night receptions, Uniform Resale, Rebate Programs and the appreciation luncheon for the entire TCA faculty and staff. Thank you for your service and volunteering in such a mighty way.



# JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

Even though were unable to have the event as originally planned, this year's Junior-Senior Banquet committee devoted hours to planning the event, designing decorations, working with the juniors to craft character quality awards, designing and hand-delivering invitations and more. Since the banquet was not possible this year, a video was sent to all seniors and their parents with messages from Upper School administrators, well wishes from the Upper School faculty and staff and the highlight video of the seniors' years at TCA. This wonderful video was produced by Melissa Neatherlin.

Thank to you this year's chair, Tanya Smitherman, and her entire committee, Casey Babler, Allison Beal, Amanda Burgett, Stephanie Adair Byrd '89, Lisa Cundari, Elizabeth Floyd, Kristen Heard, Kristy Kegerreis, Christina Murzin, Lynn O'Shea, Kelly Olson, Noel Pierce, Tiffany Ross, Allison Sullivan and Cyndi Walton. These ladies donated so much time to honoring the seniors and their parents! We also appreciate the additional volunteers who had signed up to help, as well.

# Faithfully

Together







Annette Metz

Suzy Gooch, Steve Kimbrough, Patti Macmanus, Donna Miller and Adria Warner





Ian Marshall and Medina Webber



Scott Berthel, Brandon Graham, Joy Konstans, Brian Spence and Diane Taylor





Angie Azevedo, Anne Badger, Ginger Chaffin, Veronica Esclamado, Sara Fusco, Denise Jarrell, Allison Lee, Marcus Moore, Mary Helen Nine, Sherry Romano, Sherry Russ and Camille Walker





Ryan Berens, Barry Birmingham, Bev Birmingham, Julie Brown, Emilee Buquet, Kelli Duhaney, Carla Getz, Natalie Floyd, Shawn Ledebur, Linda Massinger, Leslie McCabe, Tina Shodeen, Karen Smith, Megan Solis, Aileen Vidaud, Rebecca Viohl and Tricia Westover

# These dedicated employees who are leaving this year have served our TCA students, families and community with excellence and grace for over 25 years:

#### BILL LIPMAN, 28 YEARS

"Bill Lipman has been a faithful fixture of the Middle School science program for nearly three decades. Scores of eighth-graders at TCA have found themselves amazed by his 'magic tricks' at the start of the year as he would ask, 'Is it magic or is it science?' and then challenge them to 'Think about it!' Whether he was guiding students through the building of mousetrap-powered cars, challenging them to persevere as they wrestled through the material in the IPS unit or grinning gleefully as he gathered a class to destroy their carefullybuilt, wood-splint bridges (in order to determine which lab partners collaborated to build the best bridge), his passion was always evident: Mr. Lipman loved to use science to introduce Middle School students to the wonders of God and the creation He entrusted to us.

"In addition to his service to TCA in the classroom, he served for many years as head of the Middle School Science Department, became a fixture on the eighth-grade Wilderness Trip and also coached Middle School and Upper School cross country and varsity track. As a varsity track coach, he led the Trojans to a 'consecutive three-peat' of state championships from 1998 to 2000. He is also the proud dad of three TCA graduates, one of whom (Mrs. Rebekah Viohl '09) returned to TCA to teach in the Middle School.



"On behalf of our Middle School students and teachers, both present and past, I express appreciation for the way in which he has consistently demonstrated the hope that he has in the person and work of Jesus Christ. Happy retirement, Bill—your laugh, your knowledge of science (and just about anything else under the sun!), your commitment to TCA and its community and your love of a good story (as listener or teller) will all be missed!"

-Scott Berthel, head of Middle School



#### **SUSAN CORDRE, 26 YEARS**

"Live wire! Those who know Susan Cordre are struck with how passionate and energetic she is in all aspects of her life. She is the ultimate energetic, tenacious teacher. Susan is known to do whatever is necessary to help students and friends succeed. She genuinely is interested in those who cross her path or sit in her classroom. You can't blend in in Susan's class. She is loud and enthusiastic and makes sure that her students are known and cared for.

"For these many years, students and colleagues have regularly heard her catchy songs echoing through the math hallway. Students in the later grade levels or even in college have stated that they forever hear Susan's catchy songs in their heads, and they remember how to do certain kinds of problems long after they have left her classroom. 'Variable in the exponent, variable in the exponent, log both sides, log both sides,' is an example of one of her songs.

"Susan even gathered a group of football players at the field to reteach a concept that many students were struggling with because she was consumed with them learning the concept. The extra mile is a part of Susan's everyday life as she is distinctively allin and pursues everything with an unwavering passion. This appreciation and love for the beauty and rigor of math is impressive, but her fierce love and devotion to the Lord and the sharing of her faith are even more defining for Susan Cordre. She has made her mark on so many lives, and we will greatly miss her!"

-Kyle Morrill, head of Upper School

# THANK YOU and BEST WISHES

Thank you to these special employees who are leaving us:

Ryan Berens (5 years), Melissa Chandler (16 years), Susan Cordre (26 years), Amy Cotter (5 ½ years), Ann Gilliland (19 years), Jimmie Hudson (18 years), Jeremy Knight (9 years), Joy Konstans (15 years), Charis Lau (6 years), Kara Leyerle (2 years), Bill Lipman (28 years), Jenny Liu (14 years), Tony Lopez (3 years), Justin McGee (7 years), Karen McNamara (1/2 year), Diane Taylor (15 years) and Phil Van Cleave (2 years)

#### GET IN CHARACTER! ►

First-graders celebrated the end of their first week of distance learning by dressing as their favorite storybook characters and sending pictures to their teachers.

#### MAGNIFICENT MANDALAS

Upper School students in Jimmie Hudson's Honors Studio Art class made 3D mandalas using found objects. Mandalas are circular artistic designs using repeating colors, symbols and shapes.







## **LATIN ART** RECREATIONS >

Seventh-grade Latin students recreated some classical art inspired by the Romans and Greeks, using whatever they could find in their homes.







# **ROTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

**EBRUARY** 



#### **RILEY CONINE**

Riley is relatable. She is easy to talk to and shines when she can interact with people. Between her school involvement, leading groups and caring for younger babysitting charges, she gives others the chance to be seen and heard. She is diligent in her work, mentoring and volunteering, while balancing her schoolwork obligations.

Riley spends time outside of the classroom working and giving back to the community. She has a natural ease with others. Over the years, she has developed people skills

as she works in a variety of situations. She has a level head and is trusted with great responsibility.

Last spring, Riley was elected to be the student body president and has served well during her senior year. Although that position makes her a familiar face to most students, she continues to pour into relationships with her small group of girls that she mentored last year. Riley's desire is not only to be a strong student and leader, but also to serve others well.











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Excellence is the word that best describes Mason Morland's standard for everything that he undertakes. Driven, articulate and self-motivated, Mason is an engaged student determined to reach his goals.

Mason is a star student and has not shied away from taking the most rigorous course of study offered at TCA, incorporating mostly AP courses both his junior and senior years. In academic achievements, Mason has earned Summa Cum Laude Honor Roll status throughout his high school career, is a member of the National Honor Society and has won several academic awards.

In extracurricular activities, Mason planned, organized and initiated the Political Science Club at TCA. Furthermore, Mason was selected by the administration team to represent TCA at Boys State this past summer due to his academic achievements, integrity, character and heart to serve others. Mason is most definitely a role model and inspiration to those around him. He stands out as an example of a Godly young man who has impacted those around him for good.



**Photos: Michael Chan** 













# CLASS OF CONTRACTOR

#### THE FIRST HALF OF 2020 WAS LIKE NONE OTHER,

especially for this year's seniors. Many senior traditions were canceled and others moved to virtual experiences, but teachers and administrators still took steps to recognize and honor this outstanding class of graduates.

This year's class boasted one National Merit Scholarship Winner, eight National Merit Commended Students, one National Hispanic Scholar, 17 Eagle Scouts, four students going on to play varsity athletics in college, over \$9.6 million awarded in scholarships, a class average GPA of 3.972 and over 22,000 hours of community service in the last four years.

The graduation ceremony for the Class of 2020 was moved to June and celebrated outside at Toyota Stadium in Frisco. While it was a little different, families and TCA administrators and teachers still gathered to celebrate these amazing graduates. In this issue, we'd like to recognize each 2020 graduate individually and share with you the character qualities that were given to them by their junior classmates.

Congratulations, Class of 2020! We look forward to your continued success!



















































Chase Colquitt
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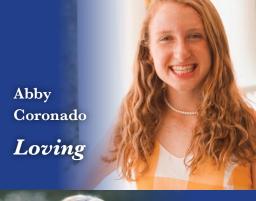


















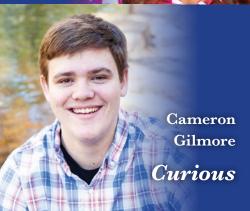






















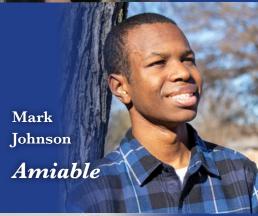






















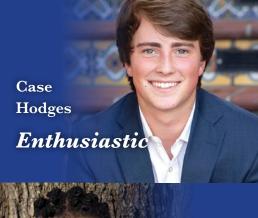










































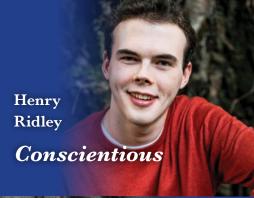






































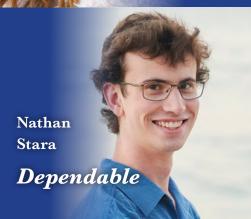




Savannah Sims Motivated























































# PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Amara Lea Asrawi Texas A&M University

Ariana Leila Asrawi Texas A&M University

Olivia Caroline Baldwin Texas A&M University

Jackson McDade Barringer Texas A&M University

Olivia Joan Berggren Austin College

Isabella Sophia Arianne Berthel Fordham University

Catherine Halle Binkley Baylor University

Amelia Morgan Brown Western New England University

Haleigh Nicole Brown

Jo Anna Bryans Texas A&M University

Aidan Carter Burgoon Abilene Christian University

Andrew William Buser Auburn University

Joseph Jackson Buser University of Mississippi

Jonathan Stephen Chock University of Texas at Dallas

Elle McKayla Clark University of California-Los Angeles

Olivia Anne Clark Baylor University

Chase Nilsson Colquitt University of Oklahoma

William Eugene Compton Texas Christian University

Riley Kathleen Conine Baylor University

Abigail Kate Coronado Undecided

Zachary John Coronado Indiana University-Bloomington

Adrianna Alexis Cortez Baylor University

Avery Nicole Cotter University of Texas

Ella Kate Cotter Texas A&M University

Kyle Jordan Cotter University of Texas

Sarah Lindsey Crow University of Texas

Sadie Hope Ellis Brookhaven College

Alan Hikaru Fandrich University of Texas

Maxwell Jacob Fedro Texas Tech University

Harrison Michael Fields

Lindsey Noel Fish Blinn College

Chloe Elizabeth Floyd

Madeleine Grace Floyd Auburn University

Bethany Grace Forde Samford University

Jayce Christopher Frady University of Arkansas

Claire Rebecca Franke Texas A&M University

Carter John Getz Undecided

Cameron Ross Gilmore Texas A&M University

Audrey Christine Gradick Baylor University

Colton Lee Hackney Blinn College

Jackson Douglas Hall Pepperdine University

John Thomas Hand Baylor University

Margaret Jane Harrison Texas A&M University

Hallie Raye Harvey University of Arkansas

Matthew Dale Harvey Texas A&M University

Landry Katherine Hays Texas A&M University

Harrison Chase Heflin Auburn University

John Michael Heidelbaugh Texas A&M University

Mason Sterling Hinckley Georgia Institute of Technology

Kyndal Ann Hinton Oklahoma State University

Case Donaldson Hodges University of Oklahoma

Belle Valentine Holden Texas A&M University

Benjamin James Howard Baylor University

David Scott Hudgins II Undecided

Cooper Dale James Oklahoma State University

Barrett Craig Jessen University of Oklahoma

Faith Rachelle Johnson Abilene Christian University

Mark David Johnson Tulane University Allison Grace Jones University of Oklahoma

Ethan Cross Jordan Pepperdine University

Jordan Mackenzie Karrh Dallas Baptist University

Caleb Bain Key Georgia Institute of Technology

Alexandra Nicole Knudsen University of Kansas

Natalie Elizabeth Konstans Texas A&M University

Mali Kristen Krone Texas Christian University

Luke Tyler Langford Savannah College of Art and Design

Jenna Grace Larson Georgia Institute of Technology

Alexis Marie Locke University of Arizona

Anna Elizabeth Lowrey Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo

Brayden Miller Maksimovich University of Arkansas

Grace Ann Massinger University of Oklahoma

**Austin James Mattox** 

Cameron Faith May **Baylor University** 

Thomas Grayson McCabe Oklahoma State University

Katherine Dearmin McLain University of Oklahoma

Danny Ray McReynolds II Oklahoma State University

Dutch Baker McStay Southern Methodist University

Blake Stephen Mercer Texas A&M University

Ethan Gregory Merrifield Samford University

Jasmine Nicole Miller Southern Adventist University

Mason Benjamin Morland Southern Methodist University

Benjamin Alan Murphy Southern Methodist University

Garrett Christian Orten The Ohio State University

Danielle Gatewood Parker Wake Forest University

Anna Katherine Parrent

Philip Emil Petersen Oklahoma State University

Clarke Andrew Pino Texas A&M University

Jordan James Pritchard Baylor University

Kristin Ellen Reding Auburn University

Henry Hampton Ridley Vanderbilt University

Russell John Rieman III Oklahoma State University

Caleb Dean Robbins Ouachita Baptist University

Logan Dale Rock Oklahoma State University

Michael McCulloch Ruch

Savannah College of Art and Design Ashleigh Reagan Rutledge University of Oklahoma

Zoe Alexandra Schiefer Texas Christian University

Savannah Jean Sims Texas Christian University

Erin Rose Smith Oklahoma State University

Lauren Elizabeth Smith Oklahoma State University

Andrew Carl Soderstrom Indiana University-Bloomington

Caroline Kolden Spears Texas A&M University

Lilly Nicole Stanton Baylor University

Nathan Patrick Stara Texas A&M University

Samantha Katherine Starnes Blinn College

Kendall Sara Stewart Texas Christian University

Hayden Scott Stone Oklahoma State University

Nyomi Corrin Thomas Cornell University

Ruth Sampson Turner New York University

Elihu Enrique Ventura Baylor University

Marie Kathryn Doyle Waldrop University of Texas

Ella Kay Ward Texas A&M University

Gracy Hannah Watts University of California-Los Angeles

Brooke Mikaela Weiss Texas A&M University

Jack Harrison Wenzel Texas A&M University

Lily May Westover Texas A&M University

Major Chester Wheless University of Texas

Brendan Christopher Williams Texas A&M University

Michael Ryan Wilmotte Texas A&M University

Audrey Elizabeth Wines University of Texas

Grant Worth Winslow Baylor University

Chandler Ashleigh Woods University of Oklahoma

Clara Lynn Woodward Texas A&M University

Sage Diane Yassa Baylor University

Elizabeth Ellen Yeary Texas Tech University

Dylan Gregory Young University of Texas

Jessica Margaret Young Texas A&M University











1 Lower School got creative and found fun, interesting places to read at home. 2 Second-graders celebrated reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory with a virtual dress-up day. 3 Lower School students were encouraged to explore nature with an outdoor scavenger hunt. 4 Sixth-grade teachers and Upper School students led the sixth grade in a week-long, virtual camp experience that included daily devotionals, wacky competitions, fun challenges in the kitchen and service to Camp of the Hills by writing encouraging notes to this summer's counselors. 5 Middle School students used their iPads and home devices for class Zoom sessions and work assignments.

# LEARNING

(GROWING, COPING, SUCCEEDING, TRUSTING)

# TOGETHER L.ATADISTANCE

LIFE AT TCA HAS BEEN VERY DIFFERENT since the campus closed and classes transitioned to distance learning beginning the third week of March. When school closed on Thursday, March 12, teachers and administrators had two days to formulate distance learning plans, develop schedules and implement online learning tools. School began virtually on Monday, March 16.

During this unprecedented time, teachers and administrators worked very hard to preserve important instruction time, allow for expanded learning opportunities and build social interaction into the weeks spent apart from campus. Each school division was intentional in targeting the specific needs of its students, based upon their grade levels and abilities, and special attention was given to addressing the social and emotional challenges students and families would face during this time, as well.



In Lower School, teachers and administrators worked hard to preserve many of the fun, hands-on learning that takes place at TCA, while moving their lessons and instruction to Seesaw, an online learning platform. Second-grade teacher Brandie Rodgers explained, "Each week, we had a welcome-to-distance-learning video to introduce our schedule for the week and discuss any special activities or plans we have planned. Throughout the week, we posted reading, math, grammar, spelling and Bible lessons on Seesaw. The teachers shared the teaching videos across the grade level. It was fun for our students to see different teachers throughout this time, and we have different assignments for them to work on each day."

Here's a day in the life of second-grader **Abby Tapp**:

8 a.m. - Wake up

8:45 a.m. – Breakfast: This morning she had eggs and a "banana split" (yogurt and banana).

9:25 a.m. - Run and verse memorization: Today's is Psalm 118:29. Abby and her dad went over a Bible verse and got their hearts and bodies moving by doing a quick run around the block while reciting the verse a few times. "Nothing heroic or fancy here. Some days it's a whiff, and others it's a check," said her mom, Tonya Tapp. "We are just trying to set and build on a simple pattern: bring order to your environment, feed your soul and steward your body . . . then you're ready for the day."

After breakfast and her run, Abby sat down at a desk adjacent to the kitchen, which is her designated workspace for school, reviewed her

printed weekly assignment sheet and decided how she wanted to work through her lessons.

Even as a second-grader, Abby took ownership of her learning. She worked through her daily assignments and asked her mom when she needed direction or clarification on her assignments. She missed not seeing her teachers and her friends at school every day but liked being able to complete her assignments at her own pace and have more time to play in the afternoons.

9:45 a.m. - Lesson: Great White Sharks - Abby filled out her shark booklet, where she drew a picture, identified the type of shark, its size, how it looks, its habitat and an interesting fact about it.

10:10 a.m. - Teacher Read Aloud: Abby watched a video recording of Mrs. Rodgers reading Shark Lady and had a comprehension check.

10:25 a.m. - Great White Shark Video: To go along with "Shark Week" this week, Abby watched a video on Great White Sharks.

10:30 a.m. - Math: The math lesson was on problem-solving.

10:45 a.m. - Language: Abby completed her Language Arts lesson and used IXL for independent practice.

11:00 a.m. - Spelling: Abby practiced writing her spelling words in preparation for her spelling test on Friday. For her test, she watched a video of Mrs. Rodgers reading off the spelling words, and she wrote them down. Then, her mom submitted a photo of her work to be graded by Mrs. Rodgers.

11:10 a.m. - Abby read for 20 minutes and took an AR test.

11:45 a.m. – Abby finished her schoolwork for the day. There was also an optional shark craft for the afternoon. In addition, a daily specials video and assignment (STEM, music, PE, art, library, Spanish, chapel and guidance lesson) were provided to second-graders.

Abby said one of the blessings to come out of this unusual time was being able to spend more time at home with her parents and little brother, four-year-old Carson. Learning at home was challenging with a little brother, as well, but the Tapp family adapted and included Carson when possible. "Carson always wanted to watch the videos with me," said Abby, "and he liked to do the arts and crafts with me, too."

In addition to the standard daily activities, students took part in Zoom recess sessions each week.

"Zoom Recess took place every Thursday," said Mrs. Rodgers. "I planned different activities each week; we did scavenger hunts, baking activities, learned life skills like folding towels and visited with friends."

Abby's favorite Zoom times were Prayer Box Wednesdays. Mrs. Rodgers would hold a Zoom call, classmates would give their prayer requests, and then different students would take turns praying for those requests.

Mrs. Rodgers added, "I have to say that although this has been a unique, challenging time; I have been so proud of my students and team. They have all worked so hard and it has brought our team closer. God is good all the time!"









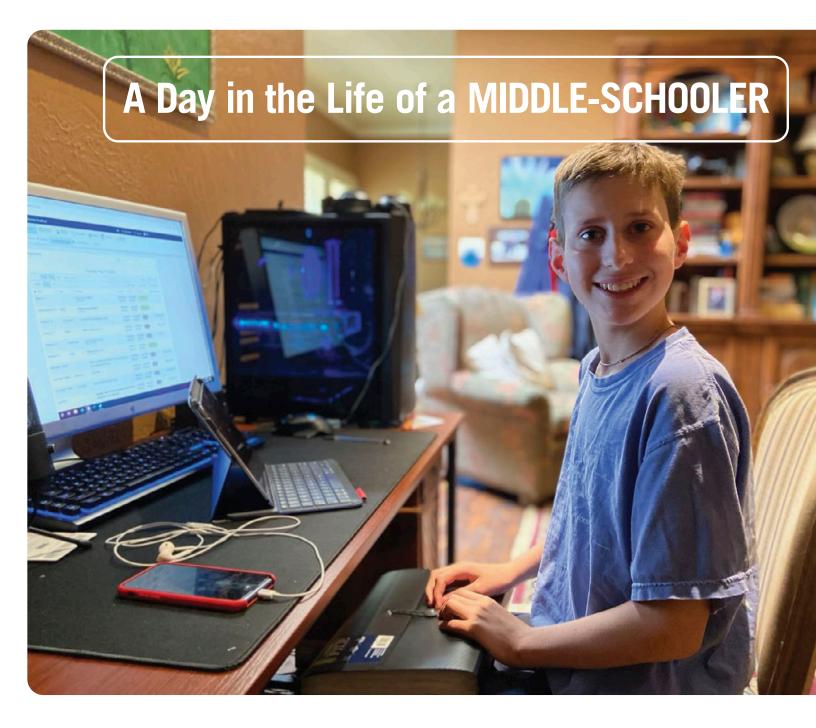
Students sent videos to their teacher via Seesaw. Some videos showed students baking, playing sports, building forts, playing with Legos, etc. Teachers have a unique window into things their students enjoy doing outside of the classroom.



Lower School art teacher Lindsay Carreker gave her students an ART CHALLENGE, asking kids to make a homemade color wheel with items from around the house.



Kindergartners learned about animals and their natural habitats and then created their own habitats out of materials they found at home.



In Middle School, the actual school day was somewhat preserved with scheduled class times and Zoom calls for instruction and discussion. Teachers rotated the days in which they had actual class time over Zoom and days in which they posted recorded lectures and assignments for the students to do. Frances Gannon, a Middle School Latin teacher explained, "The Distance Learning Plan for the following week was posted each Friday by 4 p.m. so students could plan for which days they would need to join live Zoom calls. For Latin, some days I taught a grammar lesson, and they took notes in their LRN (Latin Reference Notebook). Other days, we translated a story from their iBook, and they opened an assignment from the website and submitted it."

Teachers were very intentional about connecting with their students and helping them navigate this unusual time. Middle School Science teacher Charlotte Thompson said, "Before we jumped into our lesson each day, I always began with a word of encouragement and organizational tips to help my students be successful during our distant learning time."





For eighth-grader Erick Mills, a day of distance learning looked like this:

8 a.m. - Science with Mrs. Thompson: Erick watched a video and worked on his mineral project.

9 a.m. - Math with Mr. Mills: Erick had math lesson with Mr. Mills, took notes and worked on his assignment.

10:10 a.m. - History/English with Mrs. Churchwell: Erick watched a video on the civil rights movement and took notes to complete his assignment.

11:15 a.m. - Lunch break: sometimes Erick's mom fixed leftovers; today, he was responsible for fixing his own sandwich and cleaning up after himself.

12:05 p.m. - Bible with Mr. Spence: Erick had a reading assignment today on Revelation.

1 p.m. - Latin: Latin class was spent working through information for the final test.

3:25 p.m. – Zoom fitness workout: Erick is planning to run cross country in the fall, so he participates in these optional workouts. It's important to him to keep in shape.



Word Up Wednesdays, hosted by Assistant Head of Middle School Dr. Ryan Berens and Middle School teachers Kerri DeWeese and Brian Spence, was one of many efforts to continue building community

among students and faculty even during distance learning. The weekly video segment often included guests answering questions about how they were spending time at home, Scripture and encouragement for listeners.



Eighth-grade students were treated to a week of virtual Wilderness camp as they learned about the beauty of the Ozarks as a reflection of God's amazing creation and had discussions with their Upper School counselors following devotionals with long-time camp leader and US Bible teacher Hank Harmon.

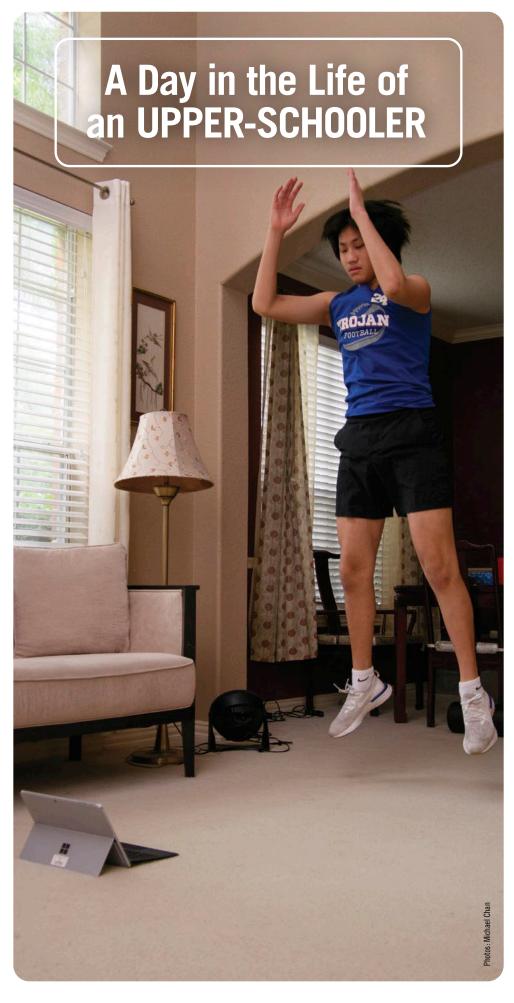


Seventh-grade scientist-chefs cooked and baked in connection with learning about world biomes. Treats like swamp punch, swamp sludge, baked salmon and even cookies were made only from ingredients found in certain natural environments.

Erick said the most challenging part of distance learning was not getting to see his friends at school each day. He stayed in touch with them through FaceTime, phone calls, texts and video games. Class Zoom calls allowed him to connect with his teachers and classmates each day and provided a few laughs, too. "Mr. Mills is not a lip syncher," said Erick, "And our class had a good laugh during math one day talking about his 'head bob' on the last chapel video!"

Jamie Mills, Erick's mom and a Lower School teaching assistant, expressed that this time has built more independence and maturity in Erick and her Upper School daughter, Rachel. The extra time has allowed them to play games together, organize closets and cook meals, but has also been an adjustment being in close quarters together all the time. "This time has been stressful for each of us in different ways," she explained. "Things that have helped were prayer, visiting with friends from an acceptable distance, delegating chores and using paper plates and plastic utensils to keep from all the dishwashing!"

Erick is a Boy Scout and is looking forward to summer and Philmont Scout Camp. "I have been hiking with my 30-pound backpack and boots on the weekends," he said, "and I'm hopeful we get to go."





In Upper School, students work through their weekly assignments with scheduled Zoom calls, recorded videos and independent worktimes. Teachers adapted their lessons, students continued progressing through the curriculum and activities were modified for online experience as much as possible.

For junior Luke Chan, his days at home doing distance learning looked like this:

8:30 a.m. - Wake up.

9 a.m. - AP History/English Zoom call: The class reviewed for the AP US History exam using a timeline for each of the historical periods covered on the exam. On this day, they worked on the Civil War, Reconstruction and Gilded Age periods.

10:30 a.m. - After class, Luke had breakfast.

10:45 a.m. - Luke worked on homework for classes not meeting today (math, Spanish, physics) and then watched some Netflix.

12:15 p.m. - Bible Zoom call: Luke's class met with Dr. Matt Lambro, then went into breakout rooms for their practical theology discussion questions relating to that week's topic, sin.

1:15 p.m. - Luke ate lunch and took a short nap.

2 p.m. – It was time for more homework.

3:45 p.m. - Football meeting on Zoom: Today was a meeting for offense.

4:45 p.m. - Football workout on Zoom: Robbie from Motive8 led the football players in a daily conditioning workout.

Luke said it was definitely hard not seeing his friends at school every day and not having activities to look forward to on the weekend made it tough to stay motivated sometimes. The Zoom classes allowed for some face-to-face interaction, but learning online was definitely more difficult than learning in a physical classroom. "It's harder to ask questions over email than to ask in person," expressed Luke.

Despite the challenges, Luke was appreciative of his teachers and all the effort that was invested into transforming to virtual education in such a short time. "Considering the teachers only had two days to plan the last three months of school, they did a really good job."

Upper School History/English teacher **Katie Kilpatrick** reflected, "This time has been a great opportunity to develop grit and perseverance. My brother, a veteran, always repeats the Marine motto, "adapt and overcome;" this season forced students and teachers alike to do that. Most of my junior students now know that they are capable of learning independently and handling their own business with less adult intervention. They should be proud of themselves for that step forward in growing up. It was excellent practice for the academic independence required in college. We're weary, but we grew. We persevered to the finish line despite adversity, and there's a satisfaction in that."

While it's not the way anyone wanted to spend the last three months of the 2019-20 school year, teachers and students alike rose to the occasion and conquered distance learning, making the best of a challenging situation. •

With our 1:1 device program, Upper School students were already equipped with Microsoft Surface Pro devices, allowing them to continue with processes they had already become accustomed to for turning in assignments, complete quizzes and tests and accessing research resources, ebooks and audiobooks via the school's library page.



Students participated in virtual chapel services in which faculty and students shared devotionals and student worship team members led songs.



Pre-AP Biology students had an assignment to find and collect plants around their homes, identify and categorize them and research their scientific names. Students were tasked with finding a certain number of each type of plant.

## Caring for the Whole Child

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DEVELOPMENT

Psychologists and pastors agree that managing expectations is a trying emotional and spiritual task for adults and even more so for children or adolescents.



The COVID-19 pandemic forced an invitation for parents, students and faculty alike to grow in expectation-management. TCA stepped in to help students and families connect, cope and flourish during a season chock-full of adjustments.

Across the Lower, Middle and Upper Schools, the social and emotional counselors crafted video lessons for students, included articles and parenting tips in the *eWeekly* for parents and, additionally, reached out to support families and faculty by phone, FaceTime and Zoom.

In a study published in the *International Journal of Humor*, researcher Arnie Cann, a professor of psychology at UNC Charlotte, concludes, "When a situation is freaky or sad or even tragic, laughter restores both normalcy and hope." With this in mind, we launched a *TCA Top 10* video montage every Friday, featuring weekly student submissions. By week two, the *TCA Top 10* was receiving over 40 submissions each week from students of all ages and parents, as well. This simple highlight-countdown elicited plenty of laughs and served as an inspirational idea-generator for home activities.

Lower School Counselor **Emily Bush** provided parents with helpful tips for dealing with fear and anxiety in their young children, along with practical guidance for successful distance learning for young learners.

In the Middle School, *Word Up Wednesdays* and *Community of Faith Gathering* videos connected families to various faculty, administrators and students as they discussed practical topics, answered student-submitted questions and reminded us all of biblical truths.

Similarly, in the Upper School, *Counselor Connection, TCA While We Are Away* and *Truth Thursday* videos served as touchpoints to help students cope in a season full of adjustments. These videos allowed our community to hear honest conversations filled with encouragement and rooted in God's word from their peers, faculty and administrators each week. Additionally, **Bob Dyer**, Upper School dean of students, crafted witty, humorous and helpful videos from which students could draw each week; these videos also helped to develop a sense of normalcy during this abnormal season.

These efforts, along with videos and messages from school heads and faculty, helped unite our community, despite our physical distancing, and gave us outlets to deal with the significant disappointments of a year that ended too soon.

Perhaps the greatest lesson, for children and adults alike, to come from the entire COVID-19 experience is the importance of trusting the Lord always but especially amidst the most uncertain times.

**LOOKING** BACK



The parents at Dallas Christian Academy, an elementary school in East Dallas that was established in 1950, never suspected the adventure they embarked upon when they got together to pray about starting a junior and senior high school for their children. The founding fathers and mothers wanted a private school in North **Dallas with Christian faculty** members and students and a distinctly Christian philosophy of education, one that would compare favorably with other fine private high schools in Dallas. This new school was incorporated in 1970 as Trinity Christian Academy. Its early history is filled with faith in what was yet unseen and reliance on God who is ever faithful.





#### **LOOKING BACK**



TCA opened its doors at Grace Bible Church in August 1970 with 80 students and eight teachers, and David Cotterill was the first headmaster. From the beginning, the purpose of TCA was to glorify Christ in offering the two-fold program of a quality education that was Christ-centered.

"I've always said that I believe that God called Trinity into existence. If Trinity is God's school, then the board should want what God wants. We had to spend time in prayer, and we prayed about every decision," said Bill Croslin, TCA trustee from 1970 to 1980.

As the school grew, a greater emphasis was placed on curriculum, and new leadership was hired. John Schimmer came in November 1973 as the school's new headmaster and was instrumental in getting the school accredited. "In the early 70s, none of us was sure what a Christian school was," said John. "We had to discover what makes a school distinctively Christian. Just having a Bible class or chapel services wasn't enough. We made the decision to celebrate what makes us different and pursue true biblical integration in everything we did." John and those first parents and board members saw the Lord move in great ways during those early years.

"The two answers to prayer that are foremost in my memory are how four mothers prayed Trinity into existence over forty years ago and how we were accredited by the state of Texas on our first application, even though we were in rented church facilities with small, combined classrooms, no science lab or library and no gym, cafeteria or athletic facilities," said John.

The school relied on "Old Blue," a used school bus, to transport teams to practice fields and games. They used rented gyms and football stadiums and called on many volunteers to make up for the absence of support staff.

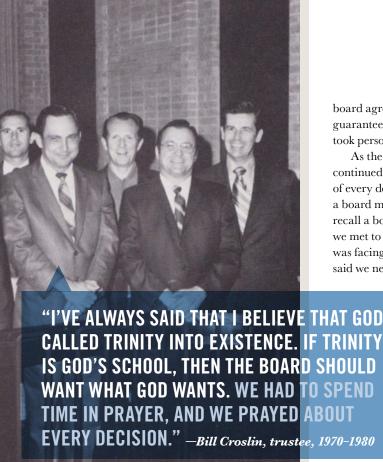




As TCA's enrollment grew, the school outgrew Grace Bible Church. City government at that time would not allow another school to be built in Dallas, so the board of trustees had to look elsewhere for the "Promised Land." The 40 acres they found in Addison, Texas, did not exactly appear to be the land of milk and honey; it was more like the land of dirt and sorghum. There were no real roads, only dirt roads and broken-up asphalt roads, nor were there any water or sewage hook-ups. But the price was right, \$975,000.

One student recalled, "Mr. (Bill) Millet took us out to the land in order to take a picture for a brochure. He wanted us to look across the field 'thinking of the future.' But we were thinking, 'This is crazy. It's just grain sorghum for miles and miles.' There was a sign there, Future Home of Trinity Christian Academy, and I would go out there once a week to cut down the weeds so people could see the sign."

Upon seeing the property for the first time, the wife of one trustee asked, "Why in the world did you buy THIS land?" But one TCA board member and Addison resident, Grover Hope, knew that Addison would become something more than sorghum fields and dove-hunting land. He saw the expansion of Dallas coming and knew this was the "Promised Land" wrapped in brown paper!



After acquiring the land, the next step was to construct the buildings, but in 1975, because of the recession, no loans were available. The board asked the community to unite in prayer for the building program, and the Lord answered those prayers.

Board members **Buddy Day** and **Lawson Ridgeway**, both contractors, came forward and offered to construct the building and guarantee the financing with one stipulation: the school would be designed in such a way that if it didn't succeed, the building could be turned into office space. The

board agreed, and Buddy and Lawson personally guaranteed the \$450,000 needed, got the financing, took personal liability and built it.

As the years went by and the school grew, prayer continued to be the foundation of the school and of every decision made by the board. **Bo Miller**, a board member from 1975 to 1993 recounted, "I recall a board retreat during the early years where we met to discuss the financial difficulties the school was facing. The president of the board, Bill Croslin, said we needed to pray and seek the Lord's face.

I was new, and I expected a prayer something like, 'Dear Lord, thank you for the many blessings you have bestowed on TCA. Please be with us and guide us as we seek to work through these difficulties. Amen.' Instead, what I saw was a group of successful and powerful businessmen get down on their knees and pray humbly before the Lord for almost three hours. When we

returned to school on Monday, we discovered that a check had come in to cover payroll. It was truly an answer to prayer."

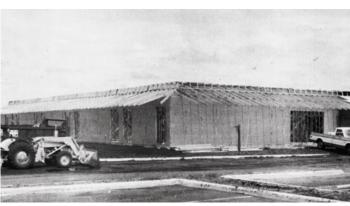
Prayer has remained a focal point for the board, administrators and faculty alike, and the Lord's faithfulness has continued to be revealed. Through the outstanding leadership of Dave Cotterill, John Schimmer, Mike Beidel, Dan Russ and now Dave Delph, TCA has thrived for five decades, turning out thousands of young adults educated and empowered to impact the world for Him. •

left: 1970–71 Board
of Trustees, left to
right: George Storm,
James Berry, Harold
Vanberg, Bob Buford,
David Coterill
(headmaster),
Bill Croslin,
Melvin Carter,
Gerald Comagere
(chairman),
Donald Kerr

bottom, left: students looking out on the sorghum fields where the TCA campus would later be located

bottom, right: construction of the first classroom building on campus, the current Middle School building







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**HEADMASTER** 

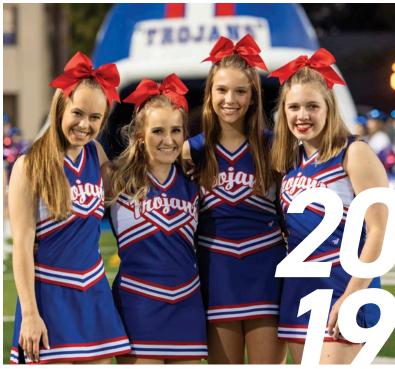


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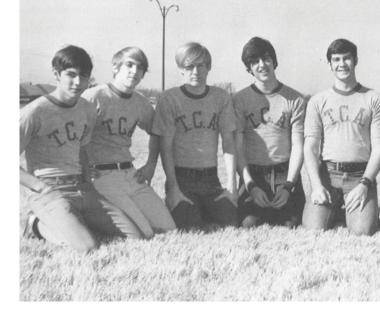
**LOOKING** BACK





SIXTH-GRADE MEDIEVAL/ **RENAISSANCE DAY** 





**FOOTBALL TEAM** 













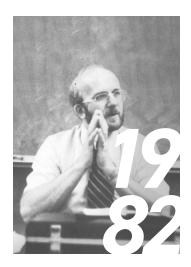
THE MUSICAL OKLAHOMA! (characters ALI HAKIM and ADO ANNIE)

#### FIRST-GRADE MUSIC PROGRAM



**LOOKING** BACK





**UPPER SCHOOL BIBLE TEACHER/ ADMINISTRATOR** 



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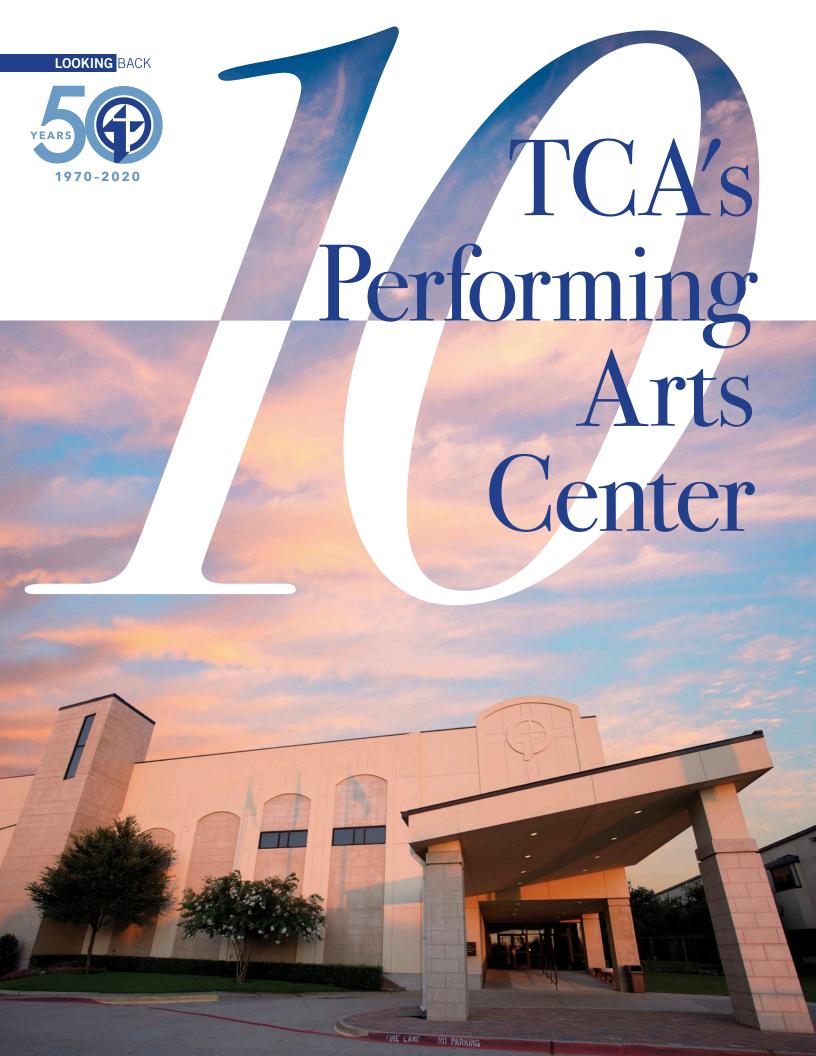


TYPING CLASS/COMPUTER SCIENCE CLASS



TROJANETTE UNIFORMS









**TEN YEARS AGO**, TCA opened its state-of-the-art Performing Arts Center. This facility includes a 900-seat auditorium, a 3,900-square-foot stage, classrooms, rehearsal space for choir, band and drama, five soundproof recording rooms, a 100-seat black box theater, dressing rooms and a scene shop for set building. While the building itself is remarkable, what has taken place inside this facility has been the true blessing to the TCA community.

The dedication of the new Performing Arts Center was held on August, 8, 2010. Administrators, alumni, parents, students and representatives from the Town of Addison were on hand for the celebration, and prior to its opening, over 200 administrators, teachers, coaches, staff, parents and students read the Scriptures aloud, from beginning to end, from the PAC stage.

Since then, the PAC has hosted drama productions, musicals, choir and band concerts, awards assemblies and Lower School and Middle School graduations. The facility has also held chapels, speakers and worship experiences for students, faculty and the community.

"What a blessing the PAC has been to so many these past ten years! Having the ability to bring our community together in so many different ways has provided amazing opportunities for worship, messages from students, faculty and special guest speakers, parent meetings, drama and musical productions, awards ceremonies, graduations and celebrations. The quality of these events has been raised to levels we had no idea were possible," said Headmaster **Dave Delph**. "Thank you to those of you who have invested in the lives of those in our community these past ten years and for years to come! Your sacrifice has and will have eternal significance."











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#### generation

[je-nə-ˈrā-shən] noun

1. the average period, generally considered to be about thirty years, during which children are born and grow up, become adults and begin to have children of their own.

When I graduated from TCA, it never occurred to me that, 30 years later, I would still be at TCA as a parent and an employee. Thirty years is a long time, and, interestingly, thirty years has a specific meaning. Thirty years is generally considered the span of time that defines a generation. There are quite a few people at TCA who have stuck around for close to 30 years or more. These people have influenced an entire generation of TCA families and have now started to influence a second generation.

I asked those current TCA employees several questions to better understand why they came to TCA, why they stayed and what their time at TCA has meant in their lives.

What is the biggest lesson you learned from TCA students or the TCA community?

Kyle Morrill, head of Upper School: None of us is a finished product. God isn't done with any of us. Everybody can change. It is gratifying to see students and graduates who have allowed God into their lives, and, in turn, the Lord has transformed them.

#### Kent Pendleton, Upper School technology department

head: My discipline areas in computer science are highly collaborative and change quickly. I do my best to learn from my students, too; in many cases it has been their experiences and questions that have helped guide my choices in how to craft or communicate a subject.

Dave Delph, headmaster: God is loving and faithful. He meets our needs and uses us in ways beyond our comprehension. He has prepared good works in advance for us to do, and He gives us the love, strength and wisdom to accomplish those good works.

How did God lead you to TCA?

#### Jon Millet '84, Upper School visual arts department head:

I started TCA in 1972 in first grade. After 12 years I was one of the first group of "lifers" that came through the school. I loved TCA and Texas, but after this time the adventurous side of me wanted to get away. So, I went to school in California and then New York. After graduate school, my





wife Jenni Green Millet '84, my TCA high school sweetheart, and I moved back to Dallas. I was working for my father in the printing business and knew that was not what the Lord had for me. So one day as I got to work at the print shop, I started praying as I entered into the building and continued throughout the day that the Lord would provide a different opportunity for me, place me in a job that would utilize my art talents and direct me where He wanted me to go. Literally the next morning, Mike Biedel, who was TCA's headmaster at that time, called and said they had an unexpected vacancy in art.

Norma Browning, Upper School performing arts department head and choir teacher: Bob Browning (my husband) changed from teaching math when our school in Tulsa closed to a computer-systems engineer position with EDS in 1985. I applied in July 1985, but I missed the position by three days, so I taught in the Richardson system for a year until the job opened again in summer 1986. I'm so thankful God encouraged me to be persistent!

Annette Metz, accounts receivable clerk: Both of my girls, Alice Metz Barwick '86 and Sharon Metz Duncan '90, were students at TCA. When I was hired on August 1, 1985, they became "staff" students.

Bill Lipman, Middle School science teacher: At the time I came to TCA, I had been working in a church doing

Christian education work for five years. I decided at that time I didn't enjoy administrating a church-ed program, so I wanted to return to teaching. I heard about TCA through some elders at my church who had their kids at TCA.

What made you stay at TCA?

Annette Metz: After both my girls graduated, I stayed at TCA because of my wonderful co-workers and because I loved working where "Jesus reigns."

**Bill Bradley, Upper School history/English teacher:** The vision and the relationships with faculty and students!

**Dave Delph:** The community/families, the mission, the faculty and staff and the education my children were receiving. TCA is a special place, and I've been blessed that God has allowed me to stay this long.

Hank Harmon, Upper School Bible and photography teacher:

I get to teach my favorite book, the Bible. Also, I am still here because of the programs I have seen God start at this school and that Diane and I have been able to be a part of, such as the eighth-grade Wilderness Trip (since 1985), Mexico Mission Project (since 1990), Teen Advisors (which evolved into DIGs), Friday morning Middle School Bible studies led by the Upper School Students (since 1985), the Senior Trip in Colorado and many others over the years.

top, left: Kyle Morril, head of Upper School, visits with students in the hallway.

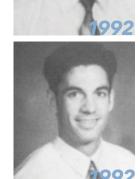
top, right: Norma Browning, Upper School performing arts department head and choir teacher, leads a Women's Chorale rehearsal.

#### **LOOKING BACK**









Do you have a specific event or memory that confirmed for you that TCA was the place the Lord had for you to spend a generation?

Kyle Morrill: I knew quickly that TCA was different. The mission of the school and the faculty, students and parents made me know that I was in the right place. I did waver early on when I realized that I wasn't going to get rich as a teacher, so I consulted with several TCA parents, including John and Donna Mowrey, and considered what else might be out there for me and my family. Providing for my family was no small thing. When I realized that I should stick to education, I asked the Lord to confirm that decision for me. That week, He brought several people across my path who spoke to me or wrote notes to me encouraging me and letting me know that I had made some impact on them or their children. It was funny, because the Lord was basically saying, "Have I made myself clear?" I never turned back or wavered again. I didn't get rich, but He provided for my family in many miraculous ways for so many years. There were challenging times, but He continuously whispered in my ear that I was in the middle of His will and that I just needed to remain faithful and trust in Him.

Dave Delph: Early on Rose and I were in the throes of a young family . . . busy, busy, busy with little ones. Our plans were to be in Dallas for a few years then head to different part of the country. I had the opportunity in 1998 to be the head of upper school at

a school in North Carolina. I accepted the offer and announcements were made at both schools. A former TCA colleague contacted me after hearing about my new opportunity and encouraged me to talk to others who had worked under the headmaster who had just hired me. It was clear that working under this leader would not be wise, so Dan Russ allowed me to stay at TCA. A few years later, I was asked to lead TCA as interim headmaster and was chosen as headmaster in January 2002... pretty clear God wanted me at TCA.

**Bill Lipman:** When, as a science department, we were permitted by the administration to develop a curriculum in order to emphasize hands-on science I knew I had come to the right place.

How has a generation of TCA students and their families influenced you?

Norma Browning: I am in awe of how students and their parents return to express their gratitude for the groundwork TCA has laid in their lives. For some, we have seen a steady growth throughout their TCA experience, while in others it "catches" latersometimes that's even more rewarding!

Kent Pendleton: I learn from my students, and I feel enriched with their questions, push-back and excitement. They keep me on my toes, and I benefit from the synergy that exists because we reinforce each other's learning.

Jon Millet '84: I have been most influenced by those who most believed in me, especially as a young artist





and teacher. Rod Morris was my fourth-grade teacher and liked to watch me sit in class drawing on my book covers. Of course, Wally Linebarger was significant, not only as my first art teacher at TCA, but he laid the foundation for the Visual Arts Department. **Linda Otstott** was the one who pushed hard to have me hired, and when she left after my second year, she had enough faith in my abilities that she turned over the department head position to me. Of course, Dan Russ was very influential in allowing me the freedom as a new department head to grow, develop and take ownership of the art program. My first new hire was **Chong Chu**, a very well-known artist and teacher. He was really my mentor in those early days, but always respectful of my position. Of course, I have been influenced by those I once taught, and then had the pleasure of hiring years later: David Connolly '93, Adria Johnson Warner '95, Jay Henderson '00 and Frances Russell Allen '10. To be a part of their growth as both students and colleagues is a rare privilege. It is wonderful to see how God is now using their lives to influence the next generation.

How do you see God working in the different generations you've watched grow up?

**Bill Bradley:** Using their vocations (jobs) as the place to fulfil their vocation (ministry) creatively and faithfully.

Hank Harmon: He continues to change life after life.

**Kyle Morrill:** I don't think TCA and the people have really changed much through the years. The culture

continues to change. Social media and technology have been game changers. At the end of the day, students are still the same. They are trying to find their way spiritually, socially, academically and personally. They all want to be successful. They all want to be seen and known. They all struggle with the things which generations have struggled. God still moves in the hearts of our students and through all that they encounter. We live in such a distracted and fast-paced world that we aren't always in tune with what God is doing and what He is saying. All of us are preoccupied. It is a challenge to focus our attention on God. Many of the lines of right and wrong have been blurred in this generation. Redirecting everyone to God's Word is critical. He never changes, and His principles don't either.

**Kent Pendleton:** I've been privileged to have students in my classes whose parents I taught earlier in my career. Some of my former students are also current staff members at TCA. It humbles me that some of our families believe in us so much that they "come back for more." It means I get yet another shot at giving back to families who have enriched my life in the past.

bottom, left:
Ion Millet '8

Jon Millet '84, visual arts department head, discusses an AP Art student's work.

bottom, center: Kent Pendleton, Upper School technology department head, talks to students in computer science

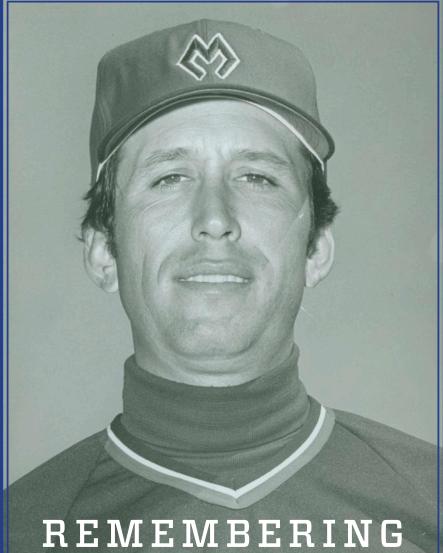
bottom, right: Dave Delph, headmaster, talks with some Upper School students about some memories from a trip to the Amazon.

In our very transient culture, rarely does anyone stay anywhere for 30 plus years. The continued impact of TCA on my life and the life of my family is one of my greatest blessings. These people who devoted so much of their lives to TCA, plus the ones who have recently retired after 30 plus years, can rest in the knowledge that God used them to shape the lives of an entire generation of students, and they truly lived up to the TCA purpose of "educating and developing the whole person for the glory of God." •









THE LEGACY OF

Steve Adall



BY DON ENGLISH,
BOYS ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Many visitors to the ballpark here at TCA have been amazed to see stands that seat 1,000 spectators. For the baseball purist, it's a place where folks pay homage to the game, with its beautifully cut grass and well-manicured dirt. Some have said that it's the

"Wrigley Field" of high school baseball. The architect who created this special venue was **Coach Steve Adair**, former varsity baseball coach at TCA. Steve passed away in 2001 after a valiant, five-year fight with multiple myeloma, but not before he coached the Trojans for twelve years, winning seven TAPPS state titles and influencing countless number of lives.



WHEN I WAS FIFTEEN, Coach Adair considered coaching my youth baseball team.

Unfortunately, after just one practice, he realized—or was told by his wife, Myra—that he had bitten off more than he could chew. Knowing Steve's love for baseball, coaching and kids, I'm confident he was coaching multiple teams, as well as running his first-of-a-kind indoor baseball facility in Addison. In just one workout, he taught me how to hustle on and off the field, pay attention to the smallest details and practice each day like it was my last.

I have been blessed to be mentored by several outstanding men: my father, brothers, pastors, friends, teachers and coaches. Steve Adair was certainly one of the strong, faithful, hard-working and passionate ones. The last time we spoke in the summer of 1996, just after I had moved to Plano East Senior High, I asked his expert advice on coaching and rebuilding our baseball field. Having brought my Highland Park team to TCA just a few months earlier, I knew Steve had an all-grass infield, which provided relief from the storms in North Texas. Inheriting a field that was built low and attracted a great deal of water, I knew we needed more practice time and less time drying the field, especially for a program in need of rebuilding. I was thankful I listened and took Steve's advice, as we advanced deep into the state playoffs our first year.

Some in our community may be unaware that Coach Adair also coached at SMU and the since-closed University of Plano. Many legendary DFW coaches and scouts believed that he was one of the greatest coaches who ever lived. **Stephanie Adair Byrd '89**, Steve's daughter and current TCA mom, affectionately tells this story:

"My dad received a call one day from a guy who had the great fortune to be seated on an airplane next to Mickey Mantle. His son was an aspiring baseball player, so the dad took this opportunity to ask Mickey whom he would recommend for baseball instruction for his son. The dad said he'd go anywhere in the country, no constraints. Mickey Mantle's response was



# On a large rock outside the front entrance to our stadium "Boys, this is not about baseball,



**left:** Former MLB pitcher David Purcey '01 with Coach Adair

**below:** Coach Adair's grandson, Bryson Byrd '19, and parents Stephanie Adair Byrd '89 and Jason Byrd next to the memorial plaque honoring Steve Adair.

**bottom:** Some of the state championship teams that Steve Adair coached at TCA—1992, 1997 and 2000.



that the best coach was Steve Adair in Dallas, Texas. I never heard that my dad had ever met or knew Mickey Mantle, (although I expect my grandfather did), much less that Mickey Mantle would know his name. Whatever the case, that was quite a memorable phone call and a story I have always remembered."

Those fortunate enough to be coached by Steve quickly realized that he was determined to win while turning boys into men. Perhaps Ralph Waldo Emerson was referring to men like Steve when he penned my all-time favorite quote, "One man with a passion can do more than a hundred men with an interest."

Two of our current baseball coaches, **Craig Stites '97** and **Matt Craig '99**, played on state championship teams for Steve and are currently modeling much of his passionate approach today. Steve's teams were known for their outstanding play, respect for the game and a desire to please the Maker of heaven and earth. On a large rock outside the front entrance to our stadium is an inscription depicting Steve's core belief, "Boys, this is not about baseball, this is about honoring God," and John 11:25, when Jesus states, "I am the Resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will still live, even if he dies."

Many of Coach Adair's former players, some of whom have children at TCA now, confirm this emphasis was authentically consistent. **Kevin Joseph '94**, former MLB pitcher, spoke about his relationship with Coach Adair, "I came to know the Lord the summer before my sophomore year in high school, which was my first year at TCA. Coach

Adair had a huge influence on the trajectory of my life. He was a great baseball coach, but it was his love for Christ that had the biggest impact."

Steve had a funny, comical side too. Jack Sharp, longtime friend and former TCA coach, says he had a unique way of giving players nicknames. Once he named a rather lean player "Stick" and his younger brother "Twig." One player was "Critter" and another, "Beetle." Coach Stites was assigned "Frog" because of his short neck and large chest. Another former MLB pitcher, **David Purcey '01**, was "Big Kid" because of his size and dominance as an underclassman. Regardless of what Coach Adair called his players, they believed he would make them better players and even better young men.

During my final four years of coaching, I was blessed to have coached Steve's grandson, Bryson Byrd '19, now a freshman at the University of Utah. Bryson, one of the best third basemen I have ever coached, could naturally do things on the field that no one could ever teach. He consistently said and did things on the field and in the dugout that made us all smile and often laugh out loud. Undoubtedly, Steve would have been extremely proud of his grandson and the baseball legacy Bryson helped continue at TCA. One of the greatest honors I've ever received was not only coaching Bryson, but also getting to know his grandmother, Myra, and mother, Stephanie. I can only hope that they have been pleased with our efforts of continuing the legacy Steve built, a legacy to honor our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and bless others through the great game of baseball. �

# is an inscription depicting Steve's core belief, this is about HONORING GOD."







THE LADY TROJAN VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM had much success this year, winning the Frisco Legacy Tournament and playing in the semi-finals for both the Highland Park Scot Classic and the Highway 5 Tournament. Sophomore OLIVIA BRENNAN broke two school records, amassing 518 points for the year (17.3/game) and connecting on 90 three-point baskets. She also led the entire DFW area in threes. The team gained a reputation for its exceptional effort from start to finish, a trait the team looks forward to repeating for the future.

Congratulations to the following players for earning district and state honors:

Olivia Brennan - First Team All-District, Second Team All-State, Team Co-MVP

SCHUYLER NOORDHOFF - First Team All-District, Team Co-MVP

SOPHIA MILLER - Second Team All-District, TAPPS District 1-6A Newcomer of the Year

**CAROLINE MURZIN** – Honorable Mention All-District

KATE WALLISER – Honorable Mention All-District



THE VARSITY BOYS SOCCER TEAM had a number of great moments this year, although the season came to end quicker than preferred. The biggest, defining moment came in the Tyler Grace Tournament. After starting the year off 0-3-1, the boys got their first win of the season, and that win sent them to the semifinals of the tournament. The team finished the year in second place in district.

Congratulations to the following players for earning district and state honors:

**GRAY McCABE** – First Team All-District, Second Team All-State, **Team Defensive MVP** 

REX AH CHU - First Team All-District, Honorable Mention All-State, **TAPPS Academic All-State** 

BARRETT JESSEN - First Team All-District, TAPPS Academic All-State, **Team Offensive MVP** 

DAWSON CHAFFIN - Second Team All-District, TAPPS Academic All-State

**COLLIN GROEZINGER – Second Team All-District, TAPPS Academic All-State** 

**CASE HODGES – Second Team All-District** 

LUKE MAYS - Second Team All-District, TAPPS Academic **All-State** 

**DREW SODERSTROM - Second Team All-District** 

**CONNOR WINES – Second Team All-District, TAPPS** District 1-6A Newcomer of the Year

**BRENDAN WILLIAMS – Second Team All-District, TAPPS Academic All-State** 

**WESTY McCABE** – Honorable Mention All-District

**MAJOR WHELESS** – Honorable Mention All-District



# VARSITY BOYS SOCCER



THE VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER TEAM had an incredible season led by a strong senior class. The team was led by eleven seniors with only two returning starters, MAGGIE HARRISON, captain and four-year letterman, and CHANDLER WOODS, 2018-19 District MVP. This senior class rose to the challenge on and off the field. They selected 1 Corinthians 12:25-27 and the word "unity" to guide the season and focused on developing relationships with the underclassmen. This team lived out that verse in the face of adversity, with twelve different players sustaining injuries during the season. This amazing senior class was part of over 50 wins and four playoff victories, and more importantly, they left a legacy of a strong program built on team unity that will carry on for years to come.

The team worked together and demonstrated incredible character, winning fourteen games and scoring 65 goals. The team also recorded eight shutouts, thanks in part to great defense and the play of ELIZABETH YEARY in the goal.

The season's highlights included winning the Tyler Winter Classic for a third straight year, earning a home playoff game and beating the TAPPS 6A defending state champions, Bishop Lynch Friars, for the first time in over ten years in front of a great home crowd.

Congratulations to the following players who earned district and state honors:

RILEY HAMILTON - First Team All-District, Honorable Mention **All-State** 

HANNAH SCHNEIDER – First Team All-District, Honorable Mention All-State, District Newcomer of the Year

Chandler Woods - First Team All-District, Honorable Mention All-State, Academic All-State

Elizabeth Yeary - First Team All-District, Honorable Mention All-State, Academic All-State, Team Co-MVP, Team Most Improved

KAKKIE WALDROP - First Team All-District, Academic All-State,

JO ANNA BRYANS - Second Team All-District, Academic All-State, Team Co-MVP

BRIANNA BYRD - Second Team All-District, Academic All-State

PAIGE COTTER - Second Team All-District

Maggie Harrison - Second Team All-District, Academic All-State

**HALLIE HARVEY – Honorable Mention All-District** 

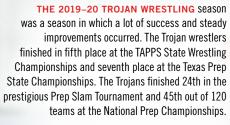
JENNA LOWREY – Honorable Mention All-District

CAMERON MAY – Honorable Mention All-District









During the season, the wrestling team focused on Hebrews 12:11, "For at the present time all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to all who have been trained by it." The Trojan wrestlers saw some pain and struggle this season, but they also saw growth and development as a result of those experiences.

Congratulations to the following athletes for earning state and team awards:

ALAN FANDRICH – TAPPS All-State, TAPPS Academic All-State, Prep All-State, Prep-All American, TCA Century Club, Team Wrestler of the Year (MVP)

MASON MORLAND — TAPPS All-State, TAPPS Academic All-State, Prep All-State, TCA Century Club, Prep Nationals Qualifier, Team Coaches Award

CALEB KEY — TAPPS All-State, TAPPS Academic
All-State, Prep All-State, Prep Nationals Qualifier,
Team Coaches Award

HEATH BOOKER - Team Most Improved Wrestler

MAXWELL MORLAND - Team Newcomer of the Year

LOGAN ROCK - Team Most Improved Wrestler

## **TROJANETTES**

THE TROJANETTES DANCE TEAM wrapped up an incredible year with an awesome win overall during contest season. The girls performed exciting halftime routines during football and basketball season, while also having fun performing at pep rallies. As the year progressed, the girls learned to lean on each other for support and encouragement.

The girls also challenged themselves this year to dedicate practice times to God. This time strengthened the bond with our Savior and as a team. Each year, the girls understand a little bit more of what it means to "dance for Him" and how hard work is never overlooked. Seniors ALLISON JONES and captain GRACIE MASSINGER will be missed next year!



## A NOTE FROM THE ATHLETIC **DIRECTORS**

WE'LL ALWAYS LOOK BACK AND REMEMBER COVID-19 and its cancellation of our spring sports season. To our athletes and coaches, please know that we love and appreciate your preparation and commitment. Unfortunately, we'll never know the unrealized champions and championships. Perhaps we can further appreciate the blessing and honor we share competing for our school, teammates, family and Lord and remember the simple fact that sports are just FUN! Seniors, please know that this will always be your home, and we look forward to seeing you back on campus, October 16, for Homecoming 2020!

DON ENGLISH, BOYS ATHLETIC DIRECTOR JEFF SMITH, GIRLS ATHLETIC DIRECTOR













In absence of the spring sport season, we'd like to recognize all of our spring athletes:

#### Varsity Baseball

IAN COLLIER ◆ **LUKE CRAIN JERRY DYESS** JAYCE FRADY ◆ **BEN FRANCIS CHARLES FRANKE CARTER GETZ ◆ JACOB GORE** JAXX HATTON HARRISON HEFLIN **HAYDEN HEFLIN DAVID HUDGINS JOSH LIU AUSTIN MATTOX ◆ EVAN MAWHEE** JACKSON McFARLANE **BEN MURPHY** RYAN O'SHEA ◆ **CALEB ROBBINS KYLE SMITH** WILLIAM SULLIVAN **CAMDEN WILLIAMS ANDREW YATES** 

#### Varsity Boys Golf

**CALEB CROW** MICHAEL HEIDELBAUGH ◆ ❖ **LUKE JUN ◆ WESTY McCABE JACK McNEILL MAX MORLAND RJ RIEMAN BOONE SIMMS** 

#### Varsity Girls Golf

**ZOE BINKLEY AUDREY ANNA CHANCE** EMMA HODGE ◆ **BELLE HOLDEN** JORDAN KARRH ◆ � **LEAH KEGERREIS LAUREN LEE EMMA NEEMAN NYOMI THOMAS** ◆

#### Varsity Softball

**KATE BARCLAY AMELIA CORLISS ABIGAIL CRANE ROSE DUNCAN ALLISON GERARD SARAH GERARD AUDREY GRADICK ◆ RILEY HAMILTON PEYTON HATFIELD** SYDNEY JOHNSTON ◆ **EMMA McINTYRE BRIANNA QUEEN ◆ JORDAN RUTLEDGE REESE RYLAND SAMANTHA STARNES ◆ JULIANA VOTH BLAIRE WEISS MIKAELA WEISS ELIZABETH WILLIAMS KATE YANOF** ◆

#### **Varsity Boys Tennis**

**DANIEL BAKER DAVID BOYLAN JONATHAN CHOCK ALAN FANDRICH** MARK JOHNSON ◆ **DYLAN KINLEY LANDON LITTLETON ETHAN MERRIFIELD ◆ WYATT MERRILL BLAKE MUSCHALEK CHARLIE NINE CARSON SHELDON JOSHUA STAZ GRANT WINSLOW** 

#### **Varsity Girls Tennis**

**OLIVIA BALDWIN RILEY CONINE KAYLEE CONNELL LINDSEY CROW** LYNNSON FORT **MARY-MICHAEL GRAHAM** 

SYDNEY HINCKLEY NATALIE KONSTANS ◆ **SOPHIE McNEILL PARKER PRIDEAUX ERIN SMITH SYDNEY WAYTE** KATE YANOF **ELIZABETH YEARY** 

#### Varsity Boys Track

**REX AH CHU KRISTIAN BATISTA SETH BATOR BLAKE BEAL WILLIAM BOWLING BEN BRANNING** ANDREW BUSER ◆ **JAKE CALLAHAN KYLE CAUSEY DAWSON CHAFFIN CHASE COLQUITT COLE CORONADO** ANTHONY CUNDARI **WILLIS DAY COLLIN DEWEY CONNOR DEWEY BRADY DOYLE RYAN FREESE** JAMES JETER **BROOKS KRANTZ JONATHAN LIPE JACKSON MAUST LUKE MAYS WILL McINTOSH JAYDEN MOORE RRIAN MORRIS ALAN MORRISON** 

RFFD NFATHERI IN **DANIEL NELSON EVAN OLSON REAGAN PIERCE JACK REA GEHRIG SCOTT** MASON SMITH **DREW SODERSTROM PRESTON SPEARS WILL SPIVEY HUNTER SPRINGER JUSTIN SUNWOO LUKE TREDENNICK MAX WHELESS CHRISTOPHER WOODHOUSE JASON YANG** 

#### Varsity Girls Track

**CECELIA BANDEROB ALYSSA CLEMOVITZ LAUREN ELMS ◆ LAUREN ELVEBAK AINSLEY FERRELL HANNAH GARCIA CLAIRE GRIMES CAITLYN HACKNEY EMILY JONES ANNABEL LEE** JENNA LOWREY **ALEXANDRA MEADOR EMILY MERCER RACHEL MILLS AVERY OVERBERG ◆ JOSEPHINE RAFTELIS HANNAH SCHNEIDER KENDALL STEWART** 

- TAPPS Academic All-State
- Team MVP



ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

## We are all part of the team!

Thank you for your generosity! Funds from your donations in 2019-20 blessed and equipped our student-athletes and programs this year with the following:

Stadium video board

Hudl and Hudl Assist (video analysis platform) for football, basketball, volleyball and soccer

Various pieces of equipment for the ATC weight rooms

Backpacks, shooting shirts, snap pants for boys basketball

Cheerleading mats, signs and banners

GPS running watches for cross country

Home field uniforms and Macy's parade activity costs for dance team

Training mannequin and goal rebounder for girls and boys soccer

Training tops and backpacks for boys soccer

GoPro with accessories, television screen and white board for volleyball



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**ALUMNI LEGACY** 





**Letter from** the Alumni **Association President** 



A NEW NORMAL, social distancing, shelter in place, flatten the curve—these are four of the many phrases that most of us didn't know six months ago but are now part of our daily vernacular due to COVID-19. The rhetoric that is so often used surrounding this virus can be very scary—isolation, pandemic, quarantine, death rate . . . Believers in Jesus Christ are called to have faith that there is a divine plan at work in each of our lives, one that we, as beings made up of flesh and blood, cannot possibly fathom. As such, it is our responsibility not to give into the temptation of groupthink and fear. Rather, it is our responsibility to give thanks and lead with joy and passion. Words and phrases like, "Thank you," "How can I help?" "What impact could I make?" "How can I be an example of Christ?" should be the phrases on the lips of those who are fortunate to have a personal relationship with Christ.

As such, the Alumni Association Board pivoted away from planning for the Spring Alumni Weekend, 50Fest and the other goals that we would normally be focused on accomplishing. Instead, we looked internally at ways that we could make a difference and say thank you to those on the front lines. In our most recent alumni newsletter, we asked those alumni who are first responders to identify themselves to Beth Harwell, director of alumni, so that we, as the whole TCA community, could thank them. We worked with the heads of school and teachers to have students send in artwork to thank our alumni first responders. Then, members of the Alumni Association distributed them to various local hospitals, fire stations, etc. Our goal was to wrap those in our community that are doing the most in love and appreciation.

On a personal note, I am always proud to be an alumnus of TCA; however, I am especially proud these past few weeks and months. As someone who doesn't have school-aged children yet, I have watched how TCA has reacted and continued its mission of "developing the whole person for the glory of God."

There are so many examples of this. For instance, if you haven't seen the "Middle School Chapel-Distance Learning" video on Facebook, you haven't lived. I am so proud to say that I played football with and graduated a year behind Brian Spence '98, who is now leading and teaching with such passion. Another example—the "I Love My Senior-Class of 2020" campaign to make the graduating seniors feel appreciated was brilliant. One more—seeing 215 faculty and staff gather via ZOOM for the annual prayer and praise time in preparation for Easter was incredible.

I could go on and on. The faculty and staff at TCA have stepped up and are setting the standard in our community for educating during this time. Here is why all of this matters from the perspective of the Alumni Association and why it hits home for me—my wife and I are looking at sending our daughter to TCA when she is ready for preK in about two years. I know other alumni who are doing the same. How the faculty and staff of TCA are going above and beyond to continue finding ways to be relevant and effective in the midst of the unknown is unparalleled. Going back to the beginning of this article—they aren't letting fear take control. They are leading through faith. They are setting the example for others to follow. They are asking how they can make an impact and how they can be better examples of Christ. And, the larger community is paying attention.

To all of the faculty and staff of TCA, on behalf of all of the alumni of TCA, thank you for everything that you have done and the sacrifices you have made while we have dealt with COVID-19.

Lane Conner '99



### **One Senior's Perspective from** the Class of 2020

BY BETH HARWELL, DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI

**OUR NEWEST ALUMNI**, the Class of 2020, had a senior year that will go down in history. They have had to face rescheduled and canceled traditions like Junior-Senior Banquet, prom and graduation, while sheltering in place because of COVID-19 this spring. I asked one TCA senior how this experience has impacted her life, and Maggie Harrison shared her insights with me.

Maggie is the youngest sibling of the Harrison family. Her mom. Jackie Schimmer Harrison '86. is an alumna, and Maggie has two siblings who have already graduated from TCA, Jessie '15 and Travis '18.

#### What was your first thought when you heard school was closed on that first Thursday, March 12?

The day before TCA decided to close down, all the seniors were talking in the hallway about how it wouldn't happen and if it did, it would be better to happen now than at the very end of senior year. When I heard we had closed on March 12, it almost felt like a snow day, a few days off of school, but I thought we would be going back very soon.

#### When you heard things like Junior-Senior Banquet, prom and graduation would be rescheduled or canceled, what were your thoughts?

This time is crazy and unknown, and I knew that most things would be canceled or rescheduled. I totally understand, but it is just crazy not to know when/if we will have some of the most memorable events of our senior year. On April 5, I texted my friends that we would be at JSB right now if we weren't in quarantine, which was weird to think about. It almost feels like we are still juniors waiting to do all the fun senior stuff.

#### What do you miss the most right now not being at school?

From doing online school, I have realized how much I took for granted. On the Monday before quarantine, I was having a major senioritis day. Now looking back, that was one of my last days at TCA, and I spent it wishing I wasn't there. I miss the small things: pulling into the parking lot every morning and seeing my friends sitting in their cars waiting to go inside, putting on my uniform in the morning, announcements on Monday, seeing my friend's faces, etc. I really miss Mrs. Legband's wisdom every morning, such a great way to start my day and crazy good advice about life in general. I miss how much Mrs. Heard, Mr. Morrill and Mr. Dyer love their jobs and getting to talk to them each day.

#### How is distance learning going for you?

Distance learning is going great for me. Sometimes it is hard to find motivation, but I have found myself really liking the work-on-your-own schedule. I feel like it is a very good introduction to college and having to schedule your day since we don't have a set eight-hour day where we are inside a building.

#### I see posts on social media about seniors being born the same year as 9-11 and then graduating the year of COVID-19. What do you think about that?

I have heard this a lot lately. I think it is super interesting; these are such crazy/scary experiences. The Lord has given us times in our lives where relying on Him is the only thing left to do. Jennie Allen wrote on her Instagram post, "We were born for moments like this. You create life in these moments. We were created to bring life to the dark, harsh world." I think is an amazing time God has blessed us with to be light, draw near, rest in Him and find joy in the things we brush over during the stress of the world. These moments are monumentally full of stress and uncertainty, but in God, we find the answers. We find peace and certainty in what is to come.

#### What do you think this experience is teaching you?

I think this experience is teaching me to draw near to God always. When everything I put before God (friends, school, senior year, stress, etc.) gets stripped away by a pandemic, all I am left with is God. I also think this experience is teaching me to cherish the moments I am in. I often look to the future, not taking the time to be in the moment. I think after this, I will cherish the small things: my friend's smile, a hug, a sweet face-to-face conversation. Community is so important, and I can't wait to reunite. This experience has also taught me how precious Heaven will be. The feeling of reuniting after this is over is what Heaven will always be like. I CAN'T WAIT!

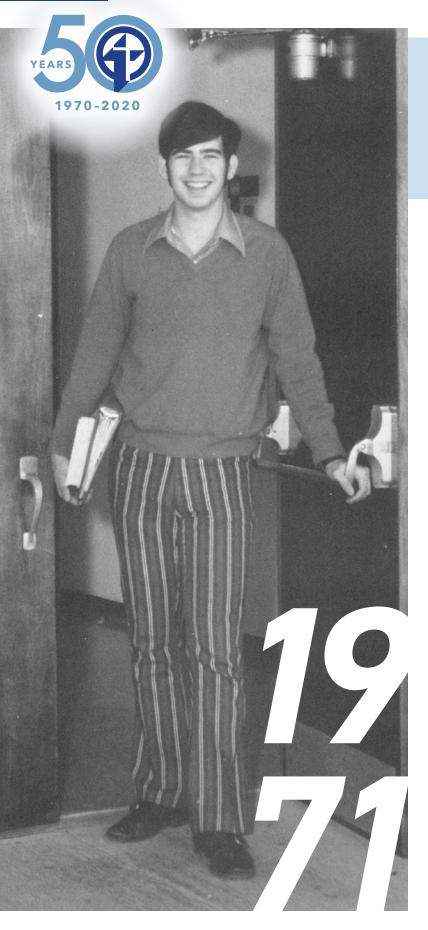
#### What would you like to say to the TCA Class of 2020?

Class of 2020 . . . this I hard. This is not how we pictured the end of the years we spent at TCA. We have formed lifelong relationships, created memories we will cherish forever and been given advice about



life from some of the best teachers and administrators around. TCA has been so good to us, and I think sometimes we take it for granted. I know I do, but looking back, it has been one of the biggest blessings in my life. TCA has been my second home since I was born, and it stinks that this is our goodbye to it. But something God has revealed to me recently is I may desire that perfect closure on this part of my life, but His closure on this part of my life is perfect. It may not be walking across the stage May 12, but when we do walk across that stage, whenever that may be, it will be so much sweeter. We will have gone through something together as a community; we will have this bond between us that will create a sweeter ending than we could have ever imagined. God's got this, and so I am praying that each and every one of you draws near in this crazy time. James 1:2-4 says, "Count it all joy, my brothers, when you face trials of many kinds, for the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its full effect, that you may be mature and complete lacking nothing."

Overall this experience will be one that we will all remember for our whole lives and that history books will record. We, as Christians, have this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to show the world our light in the middle of a pandemic, show the world peace while anxiety is around every corner and show the world God. The Lord has stripped away the worldly things that pull me from Him and left me with the only thing that really matters, Him. My prayer for everyone is that right now they draw near and rely on Him, because I know for me, that is the only way I'm going to get through this thing still sane.



### **TCA'S FIRST GRADUATE: SCOTT KERR**

BY BETH HARWELL, DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI

When TCA opened its doors for the first time, it was for the 1970-71 school year. That year, TCA had a graduating class of one—Scott Kerr '71. I recently caught up with Scott and asked him about his unique senior year.

#### HOW DID YOU FEEL BEING THE ONLY SENIOR IN THE 1970-71 SCHOOL YEAR AT TCA?

We started the year with two seniors—me and another girl. She left in the fall semester, so then it was just me. I had friends outside the school, so I was OK. But it was strange. I was originally at Dallas Christian, but when TCA opened, I went to TCA for my senior year. Interestingly, I drove the school bus my junior year.

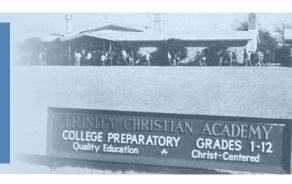
#### HOW MANY STUDENTS WERE ON THAT BUS? DID YOU GET PAID?

During my junior year, which was 1969-70, they had a driver quit and asked me to take over. Remember, this was at Dallas Christian before the formation of TCA. It was a huge, Bluebird school bus with a manual-shift transmission. I got my special chauffer permit that allowed those under 21 to drive school buses, and I started picking up kids in the morning and then took them home in the afternoon. It took about 1 1/2 hours each morning and afternoon. I was paid \$50 a week (about \$3.50/hour) which was BIG money in those days for someone my age. Gas was \$0.21/ gallon. I never had to work late or on the weekends. It was much better than hauling lumber for construction or being a fry cook for Dairy Queen (yes—I did both of those). Young people don't know how good they have it these days!

We stopped each afternoon at 7-11, and everyone got snacks while I filled up the bus with the school credit card. Then, we would turn on the radio and all sing our hearts out on the way home. KLIF was the big rock station back then, and we only had AM radio. This was the era of the Beach Boys, the Beatles and Peter Paul and Mary. We had a great time! Being at a small school made us all really close friends, even across grade lines.



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#### DID YOU HAVE ANY CLASSES THAT WERE SENIOR SPECIFIC? HOW DID THAT WORK?



My English class had one student: me. I could not come unprepared for class! It was a real learning experience.

#### WHAT SPORTS MEMORIES DO YOU HAVE?

I played basketball and was on the court the whole game, as we only had seven on our team. We played Palmer High and got beat by 100 points at the beginning of the season and played them at the end of the season and only lost by 20 points. We considered it a real win.

#### NOW WE HAVE THINGS LIKE JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET, SENIOR TRIP, GRADUATION, PROM, ETC. DID YOU HAVE ANY OF THESE EVENTS YOUR SENIOR YEAR?

I went to W. T. White's prom with my girlfriend at the time. Other than the graduation service, there was nothing else at TCA.

#### DID TCA DO ANYTHING FOR YOU AS THE ONLY MEMBER OF THE CLASS OF 1971?

I was pretty famous for being the only senior. I had a lot of responsibility and leadership put upon me, and it was a great learning experience. That next summer I was working at a gas station, and the owner had a heart attack. This was an oldfashioned, Park Cities business with long-term customers. He asked me to run the business while he recuperated, and what I learned at TCA helped a lot.

#### WHAT WERE YOUR FAVORITE MEMORIES FROM YOUR SENIOR YEAR?

I think it was the responsibilities that were given to me as a leader. I was Student Council president, and I was in charge of the discipline committee, which consisted of me, one of the teachers and a couple of other Student Council members.

Also, I had a Bible class that was an Old Testament survey. It was very well done, and we went through the entire Old Testament. We had one test in the class that was our whole grade. It had one question, "Summarize the Old Testament, book by book." I made a "B." It gave me incredible knowledge to use and study the Bible and grounded me in the Old Testament.

We also had a singing group where I played the acoustic guitar, and we did some gospel and camp-type songs my senior year. We represented TCA and played for a few churches.

#### DID YOU HAVE A GRADUATION CEREMONY?

We did have a graduation ceremony. It was in the sanctuary. School was held at Grace Bible Church in those days. About 200 people showed up for the ceremony, and I gave a speech at the end.

#### DID IT MAKE IT EASIER APPLYING TO COLLEGES WITH BEING THE ONLY ONE IN YOUR CLASS?

No-The school was not accredited at that time, and that made it tough. It was a different learning experience for me and hard to adjust, actually. I ended up going to Wheaton and then on to North Texas after some time in the Air Force.

I had a class at Wheaton called Christ and Culture, and we had to spend three weekends alone with families in the Chicago inner-city ghettos. It was a real eye-opener! One weekend, I was taken on Saturday morning to hear a young preacher in downtown Chicago who was really fired up. I had never heard anything like it; it was a young Jesse Jackson.

#### LOOKING BACK AT YOUR DAYS AT TCA, WHAT DO YOU THINK HELPED YOU THE MOST BE SUCCESSFUL IN COLLEGE AND AS AN ADULT?

Being grounded in solid Bible teaching helped a lot. I got far away from God and the church for some time, but when I came back, I had really good knowledge, which I use today. Now, I help pastor a small church.

By the way, I am married to Paula Cunningham Kerr '72; she was in the TCA class behind me. We actually went out once while in high school and ran into each other later in life, so that was the best thing to come out of TCA for me!



1970-2020

TCA juniors got together for a group shot in 1978 for the yearbook to put the seniors on notice that the class after them was ready to take on the mantle of carrying on TCA spirit—that they would surely be "MIGHTY FINE in '79!"

## UPCOMING EVENTS & ALUMNI NEWS

#### ► HOMECOMING 2020 (tentative)

**OCTOBER 16:** Join us Friday night for the TCA varsity football game and the alumni dinner under the tent, starting at 6:30 p.m. The football game and dinner are free for all alumni and their families.

**OCTOBER 17:** The Trojan Football Experience kicks off Saturday morning at 9 a.m. Join us for a flag football tournament and lunch. Come see your favorite coaches as they help referee the games. All alumni families are invited to come cheer on their favorite Trojan alumni football players.

**OCTOBER 17:** Individual reunions for the classes of 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010 and 2015 have been rescheduled from Spring 2020 to Homecoming weekend this coming October. These will be held on Saturday evening. Contact **Beth Harwell** at bharwell@trinitychristian.org for more information.

#### **PAVERS**

A brick paver is the perfect way to honor a student, alumnus, faculty, staff or family member. For \$150, a paver may be purchased and placed in the Alumni Garden next to the TCA Performing Arts Center. All proceeds benefit the Alumni Association and Student Tuition Aid. For more information, contact Director of Alumni Beth Harwell at bharwell@trinitychristian.org or go to www.trinitychristian.org, under Alumni, to order online.

#### ► CALLING FUTURE TROJANS!

Alumni and alumni parents, have you considered TCA for your children or grandchildren? We invite you to discover how TCA can serve your family today. Spots are available for the 2020-21 school year. Contact **Amy Edwards Prideaux '89**, at 972-931-8325, ext. 2922, for more information. Learn what's new at TCA and what traditions are still the same!



#### NEW LEGACY FAMILIES

Welcome back! We have several alumni who will be returning to TCA as current parents next year:

Jenni Jackson Mitchell '92 Scott Beatty '09

Shannon Remke Copeland '94 Joel Sharp '96 John Hinckley '00 Jared Sherman '99 Scott Stover '06 Jon Kappes '04 Curtis King '06 Matt Williams '05 Jessica Horner Lemmond '03 Russ Williams '89

Chris Messick '89

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#### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD

Thank you to our Alumni Association Board for serving during the 2019-20 school year. We are honored to have you serve our alumni!

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Jo Ann Ferrell Hodges '87 Beth Harwell, Director of Alumni

Kate Lynch '97

#### 2020 LEGACY GRADUATES

Seventeen 2020 graduates are children of TCA alumni. See their senior photos below, along with their alumni parents' senior photos. Congratulations to these legacy graduates!













































































## Where are they now?

THE LATEST ON WHAT YOUR CLASSMATES ARE DOING BY BETH HARWELL, DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI

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TAYLOR HINCKLEY and his wife, Amanda, joyfully announce the birth of their daughter, Holland Catherine, on March 5, 2020. Holland was welcomed with love by her brother, Knox, and sister, Caroline! Taylor and Amanda & family reside in Dallas, where Taylor is a first officer at American Airlines

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**ANNE WILKERSON BURNS** recently accepted an appointment by the United States Trustee Program to be on the panel of Chapter 7 Trustees in the Northern District of Texas

Anne will continue in private bankruptcy law practice in addition to her new duties as a bankruptcy trustee.



JOHN HINCKLEY and

his wife, Kate, joyfully announce the birth of their daughter, Hunter Elizabeth, on January 10, 2020. She was welcomed with love by her brother, Ford, and sister, Hannah Rose, who

will be joining the TCA family this fall. John and Kate live in Plano, Texas, where John is CEO of Modern Message.



SCOTT HINCKLEY and Alyssa Alspaw are engaged and planning their wedding in October this year. Scott is assistant VP in the commercial real estate division of National Life Group. After their wedding, Scott and Alyssa plan to live in Plano.

2007 JOSHUA KAIN, MD. will complete his fiveyear residency in otolaryngology-head and neck surgery at the University of Alabama at Birmingham in June 2020.



Thereafter, Josh and his lovely wife, Raeann, will move to the University of California at Davis to start an additional year of fellowship training in head and neck oncology and reconstructive surgery beginning July 2020.



STEPHANIE HILL married Scotty Eldridge on July 6, 2019, at The Brooks in Weatherford, Texas. The bridal party included siblings SARAH HILL '13 and GRAHAM HILL '15 and bridesmaids **VICTORIA STEVENSON FARMER, ALEXANDRA TOLSON, SARAH MILLER** and LAUREN WICKER PETERSON.



**MADISON REID ASHLEY** graduated from UT Health Science Center of San

### **Changes coming!**

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Antonio with top honors in the PA program in December 2019. She is currently working as a PA-C in Frisco in internal medicine



**REED** and **KATHERINE KONSTANS BASTIE** welcomed their first child, John Stephen Bastie, on February 3, 2020. He was 7 pounds, 15 ounces and 21 inches long. Reed is a global demand analyst for Chevron Phillips Chemical and completed his MBA from Rice University this year. Katherine graduated with honors from **UT-Houston Medical School** in May and is now in her first year of residency in pediatrics at UT-Houston. They reside in Humble, Texas.



**LAUREN (POPPY) ERIKSEN** is a junior at Texas A&M, majoring in international studies and history with a French minor. She is spent her spring semester in Washington, DC, as an intern for Senator John Cornyn. She was able to see a small part of the impeachment hearing and felt like she was participating in history. Poppy has also sat in on several committee meetings and has a passion for policy matters.



#### Innovation, persistence and faith

Caroline Costanzo Nix '87 majored in English at the University of Texas at Austin. Today, she is the cofounder and co-CEO of Oventure, a hands-free, leather accessories line based in Dallas, best known for the Big O key ring.

WHO WAS YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER? I had a few favorite teachers. Mrs. Pack taught AP English and acted out dramatic (and very memorable!) Shakespeare scenes for our class. I also remember looking forward to Mr. Burdette's once-a-year appearance in his superman cape. Lastly, I loved "saving the babies" in Mr. Grasso's chemistry class.

DO YOU STILL TALK TO YOUR CLASSMATES? Yes, I still love keeping up with the class of '87. We had our reunion not too long ago, and it was great to catch up with everyone. I still talk to my friend JoAnn Ferrell Hodges '87 every day.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR LIFE TODAY—CAREER, FAMILY, HOME. I met my husband, Jason, while we were undergraduates at UT. We have two children, Hudson (22) and Mary Katherine (21), and two French bulldogs, Pancho and Lefty, who run our household. In 2012, I co-founded Oventure with my business partner, Janie Cooke, who is a Hockaday alumna. Oventure is a hands-free accessory line designed for doing-it-all women. Our original product, the Big O Key Ring, is now sold in over 3,000 stores worldwide and has been featured as one of Oprah's Favorite Things.

HOW HAS TCA IMPACTED YOUR LIFE TODAY? I credit TCA for instilling in me my lifelong faith in the Lord, which I have relied on in good times and in bad. My teachers taught me the power of prayer, which I still turn to daily in my personal life and professional life, too.

HOW HAS TCA HELPED YOU WITH YOUR CAREER TODAY? TCA taught me that you can overcome any challenge with flexibility, innovation and faith. The problem-solving skills that my TCA education imparted to me have always helped me to pivot and put together a plan B when faced with an obstacle.

WHAT WERE YOUR BEST YEARS AT TCA? Definitely junior and senior years. I remember the team spirit at the football games and the end-of-year celebrations fondly!

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MEMORY FROM TCA? Senior Prank Day was such a fun memory to share with friends, as was the painting of the Rock late one night.









### ► Note to parents

If this publication is addressed to a graduate who no longer maintains a permanent address at your home, please notify Kristy Kegerreis at kkegerreis@trinitychristian.org of his or her new mailing address. Thank you!