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# A Message from the Head of School



Dear St. Paul's School for Girls Community,

Nothing could have prepared us for 2020. As I reflect on the challenges we have faced, the innovation of our faculty and staff, and the resilience of our students, I know it is the bold and courageous spirit of this community that has carried us through this extraordinary time.

Last March, as we transitioned to distance learning, we never imagined that this period would extend for months. We had to innovate quickly, reimagining every aspect of school. Teachers quickly became experts in virtual instruction, and students figured out how to connect with friends and faculty through screens. Our class of 2020 continued to lead the school with spirit despite an unexpected end to their senior spring, and in June, they experienced an unprecedented commencement ceremony in the Harper Graduation Garden. The start of this new academic year brought more change—masks, six feet between desks, and enhanced cleaning protocols—but it is all worth it to be together on campus.

In this issue of *Spiritus*, you will read about our response to Covid-19 and the opportunities we continue to provide for our students (page 4). You will read about the schools' ongoing commitment to the fundamental work surrounding diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) (page 14) and expanding DEI initiatives—curricular and beyond—at SPSG. You will discover how SPIRITUS Scholars are solving real world problems (page 20) and how middle school students pitch their own business concepts during Minimester (page 24). Finally, I am thrilled to introduce a new STEAM initiative that will ensure all students have a background in computer science concepts when they graduate from SPSG (page 22). Our students have access to big opportunities every day—opportunities made possible by your generosity and support.

I cannot close this letter without taking a moment to remember Mary Frances Wagley, SPSG's second head of school, and the tremendous impact she had on our joyful sisterhood. Many of the traditions we cherish today were established under her leadership, and she personally touched the lives of 44 Wagley Scholars to date. I am so grateful for the time I was able to spend with Mrs. Wagley over the last year and a half. We talked about many things, including the fact that the science wing was established at SPSG under her headship and will be reenvisioned and expanded while I have the privilege of serving our school. Mrs. Wagley's legacy will not be forgotten at SPSG.

I am proud to share this issue of *Spiritus* with you, and I am grateful for your continued support of SPSG and The St. Paul's Schools. We truly are stronger together.

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Ereni Gleason Malfa '89 Head of School

On the cover: Left to right, Cat Caples '21, Karenna Laufer '21, and Kendall Steer '22 welcome students back to SPSG for in-person learning

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# Tell us about yourself and your background.

I am a Baltimore native and 1988 graduate of St. Paul's. I have an undergraduate degree in history from James Madison University and an MBA from University of Baltimore. I live in Ruxton with my wife, Ellen, and my two sons, Zander '23 and Emmett '25. One of my youngest cousins just started first grade in the lower school, and I believe she is the eighth member of my family to attend St. Paul's.

# What is your day job and what do you enjoy most about it?

I work in the insurance industry as Maryland President for USI Insurance Services. In recent years, my job has focused more on mentoring younger professionals. I am constantly energized by hearing their fresh ideas and seeing their enthusiasm.

### How do you spend your free time?

I enjoy running, cooking, and playing tennis.

# **Phyllis Bull**



Phyllis and her husband, Robert, have two children, Isabella '24 and Noah, and have been a part of the SPSG community since 2017. A graduate and member of the Alumni Board

at Washington College, Phyllis then earned her Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy. She is currently the director of clinical oncology at LifeBridge Health. In addition to her role as trustee, Phyllis is actively involved in the Finance and Governance & Trusteeship Committees, as well as the Special Committee on Equity and Inclusion. She is also engaged with SPSG's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Parent Advisory Committee.

# **Michael Dockman**



Michael and his wife, Tracy, have three daughters, Katharine '16, Allison '19, and current freshman Lauren '24, who entered the SPSG community in 2012. Now

a managing director of AMA Capital Partners based in New York, Michael earned his undergraduate degree at Loyola University Maryland and his MBA at the University of Chicago. Michael has been actively involved with SPSG as co-chair of the STEAM Steering Committee. He and Tracy have also volunteered with the Admissions Office, Swamp Soiree, and the 2016 Senior Gift Committee.

# Why do you choose to give your time to The St. Paul's Schools by serving as board chair?

It is my hope that in some way I can pay forward a small fraction of what I have received from the schools.

## What excites you most about The St. Paul's Schools?

The opportunity that we have to continue affecting the lives of young people. For instance, almost everyone is now aware of the pending STEAM project at the girls' school. I'm confident that the building itself will be outstanding, but that's not what excites me most. When I hear Ereni Gleason Malfa '89 explain her vision for using the new facility to support an entirely innovative, interdisciplinary curriculum, all I see are possibilities. Her ability to see the connection between such seemingly diverse subjects as physics and the arts is extraordinarily powerful. Looking into the future, I'm excited to see how this vision will benefit not just SPSG students but the entire campus. Leaders and thoughts like this will enable us to engage our students in ways we had not thought possible.

# What's one thing that most people at St. Paul's don't know about you?

I have attempted standup comedy a few times. If you ask around, there are parents from our schools who have seen my performances live. I'm confident that they would be happy to give you a review.

# Josh Scheinker '92



Josh has twins at The St. Paul's Schools, Lila '27 and Beau '27. He has served as president of the SP Alumni Association and helped lead the Brooklandwood

Bash over the last five years. He is the executive vice president of wealth management and a financial advisor at Scheinker Wealth Advisors. He is a former board member of the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America's Maryland chapter, served on the Investment Committee of Jemicy School, and supported Miles That Matter at Ulman Cancer Center. Josh is a graduate of Emory University's Roberto C. Goizueta Business School.

# Mary Frances Wagley: A Lasting Legacy



"Becoming a Wagley Scholar ultimately changed the trajectory of my life. The gift of opportunity is one that I cannot quantify, but it is one that motivated my academic training and career in and around education. I am honored to have known and to have spent time with Mrs. Wagley—she will forever be a part of my story."

– Samantha Murray '97

# Mary Frances Wagley, St. Paul's School for Girls' second head of school and an honorary board member, died on Nov. 1, 2020, at the age of 93.

Mary Frances, who showed a lifelong passion for girls' education and women's career advancement, served as head of St. Paul's School for Girls from 1966 to 1978. In that time, she had an immeasurable impact on the growth and direction of the school, with a special emphasis on the sciences and experiential learning. Of note, she began the tradition of having students and faculty speak at Prayers, pioneered outdoor education as a way to educate the body and spirit, encouraged faculty to sponsor field trips, and established the Junior Project, where girls went into the community to work on projects of their own interest. She pressed the board for a new science wing, which was completed in the fall of 1969, and in 1978, she purchased the school's first computer, which the students nicknamed "Paula."

In 1978, Mary Frances announced that she was stepping down as SPSG's headmistress. In her honor, SPSG established the Wagley Scholar program, a full merit scholarship to attract academically talented students to SPSG for high school. "I am proud and grateful to have been the first of over 40 Wagley Scholars," shared Virginia Hough Eckard '82. "When she interviewed me in 1978, I expressed reservations to Mrs. Wagley regarding fitting in as a girl from a working-class neighborhood entering an exclusive private school. She was a good listener, smiled slightly, and told me that I would be a pioneer and that both the school and I would benefit from my attendance."

Mary Frances became an Honorary Board member of SPSG in 1980 and remained closely connected with the campus community. She lent her support to the scholarship program for four decades, getting to know the Wagley Scholars through yearly luncheons and encouraging them to pursue their passions. "Mrs. Wagley had a deep well of a soul, a beautiful heart, and an acute level of understanding," said Eckard. "I admired her enormously, and her pride in my accomplishments meant more than I could ever express."

Prior to her years at SPSG, Mary Frances, daughter of American businessman J.C. Penney, attended Foxcroft School in Middleburg, Virginia, then studied chemistry at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and completed a Ph.D. in chemistry at Oxford University in England. At MIT, she was one of just 12 women in her class, and she was the first generation of her family to attend college. Upon graduation, she taught chemistry at Smith College, Goucher College, and Johns Hopkins University—one of the few women scientists teaching at the college level at that time. In 1953, she married Dr. Philip Wagley, an internist at Johns Hopkins Hospital. They had three children together: Anne, Mary, and James ("Jay"). Philip died in July 2000.

Mary Frances strongly advocated for having women in executive and governance roles in academia and business. At MIT, she was the first female president of the alumni association as well as the first woman to serve on the executive committee of the MIT Corporation. She also sat on the boards of the Life Memorial Corporation, Maryland National Bank, and the J.C. Penney Foundation, where she was the first female board member. A trailblazer for women, Mary Frances set an example for all who knew her. "Well spoken, grounded, brave, and kind she was everything an inspirational leader to young women should be!" shared Wagley Scholar Bridget Mitchell Pekrul '96.

Mary Frances left a lasting legacy at SPSG, perhaps most profoundly for four decades of scholars afforded an SPSG education through her generosity. "Becoming a Wagley Scholar ultimately changed the trajectory of my life," said Samantha Murray '97. "The gift of opportunity is one that I cannot quantify, but it is one that motivated my academic training and career in and around education. I am honored to have known and to have spent time with Mrs. Wagley—she will forever be a part of my story."

We look forward to highlighting Mrs. Wagley's legacy more prominently in next year's Spiritus.



# FROM CRISIS TO

# Meeting the Challenge of Covid-19 at The St. Paul's Schools



When second-grader Summer Linz left home for her orientation day at St. Paul's Pre and Lower School on September 1, "she was almost outside her body with excitement," says her mom, Julie Linz. It was the first time Summer had seen most of her classmates since last March, when the Covid-19 pandemic forced the closure of The St. Paul's Schools campus. "She is a child who just loves being at school," says Julie. "I've never been so excited to hear about a first day of school as I was that afternoon when she got home."

Summer Linz '31 was thrilled to join her friends and classmates back on campus.

Summer Linz returned to a Brooklandville campus that looked and felt much different from the one she and other St. Paul's students left so abruptly last March when the schools moved entirely to online learning. Over the long summer months, administrators, staff members, and teachers worked tirelessly to prepare for the students' safe return and to be ready to teach effectively in any contingency: in person, in a hybrid model, or fully online, which ultimately proved to be the mode adopted when classes first got underway this fall.

Evidence of those planning efforts could be seen everywhere in September, as students began to return to campus in carefully choreographed "phased reentries." Those efforts were visible in the large white tents that had sprung up like mushrooms across campus, under which SP middle school woodshop and SPSG middle school science would unfold. Inside the Ward Center theater, where an expansive Plexiglas shield had been erected, to allow boys and girls in the dance program to learn and rehearse "together" without physically mingling. In the lower school classrooms, where each child would have an individual set of counters and other math manipulatives to avoid cross-contamination. In the team of 16 fulltime staff members from Healthcare Services Group who combed the campus throughout the day, meticulously sanitizing bathrooms and other high-touch areas.

Getting to this point had taken a monumental act of collaborative goodwill, patience, flexibility, and fortitude for all involved. Just ask The St. Paul's Schools President Jeff Huang. He was only about eight months into his new role, focused largely on the daunting mission of unification of The St. Paul's Schools, when Covid-19 descended like a sledgehammer.

"It's been challenging to find the bandwidth to tackle both enormous challenges—unification and our response to a global pandemic—at the same time," he admits. That said, Huang says the schools' pandemic response has been strengthened immeasurably by the "unification mindset" that had begun to take hold before Covid-19.

"It's given our teachers and administrators other colleagues to work with, people with similar charges and responsibilities at the other schools with whom to think things through and figure out the best way to do things, rather than having to do it on their own," Huang says. "The result has been collaborative decision-making. That has been incredibly valuable as we figure out the best way forward for our teachers, students, staff members, and families during this global crisis."

Pictured left: Anna Ferrens '21 cheered alongside the Gator as students arrived for soft start orientation in the fall.



Ereni Gleason Malfa '89 worked with leadership across campus to bring students, faculty, and staff safely back to campus.



Dr. Jeff Huang and his wife, Catie, greeted students at carpool during orientation.

# 'A ROPE BETWEEN SCHOOL AND HOME'

The St. Paul's Schools were well positioned to make the jump to online learning last March, notes Emily Ziegler, who just last year, as part of unification, had moved into overseeing instructional technology efforts across The St. Paul's Schools, rather than solely for the girls' school, where she had served for the previous five years.

"I had begun to build instructional technology resources and connections across campus, including by identifying three 'tech ambassadors' within each division—teachers who volunteered to serve as point people among their colleagues for the integration of technology," she says. When Covid-19 hit, says Ziegler, "our efforts mobilized in a much bigger way."

Before spring break, she held in-person workshops where faculty members could choose from among 12 different breakout sessions aimed at providing technological solutions for different teaching needs—from how to conduct a meaningful online discussion to tips for effective video conferences. After spring break, once teachers had a week of online teaching under their belts, Ziegler conducted another series of sessions, this time virtually, in which she and her tech ambassadors offered more nuanced solutions to issues that had cropped up.

"Distance learning involves a totally different way of teaching, but we've had huge positivity from our faculty," Ziegler says. "Everyone has worked so hard."

Doug Janssen, upper school science teacher at St. Paul's School for Boys, used the spring months to hit the trails and film five-minute video lessons from the Gunpowder State Park for his civil engineering course, Design Technology. As his dog splashed nearby in the river with his wife, one of his daughters would hold the camera while he talked about waterway management and erosion, showing examples from the side of the river, or about how people in sub-Asian cultures used materials from nature-like the rocks, soil, trees, and sod around him-to build their homes. Students would then watch the video segments on their own time and respond to each other in a discussion board, or Janssen would reference the material he covered during a synchronous class session.

"I got a very positive response from the students. They really liked seeing me in my natural habitat," he says. "And the segments got better over the course of several months, which showed them that I'm learning just as much as they are."

While acknowledging that the abrupt switch to online learning last spring had its challenges for then first-grader Summer and her older brother, TJ, who was then a senior at the boys' school, Julie Linz found there was a silver lining: "I got to witness firsthand the very strong relationships the children have with the teachers at St. Paul's," says Linz. "It felt like there was a rope between school and home, which was so valuable."

She points to voice notes that Summer received from first grade teacher Kim Heidelbach ("They were so endearing") and the weekly check-ins that TJ had with his academic advisor. "Those conversations were such an important touchpoint for TJ," she says. The strong connections "reinforced our feeling that these people really care about our children."

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- DR. EMILY ZIEGLER

### PROTECTING MENTAL HEALTH

SPSG counselors Brenna LaRose and Laurie May know that maintaining such connections between students and teachers has been crucial during the time of Covid-19.

"Students need as many face-to-face interactions as possible with caring, concerned, trusted adults in our community," says May, upper school counselor. "More than ever, it's important that our students feel seen and heard."

When the pandemic descended last spring, May and other counselors across The St. Paul's Schools collaborated to give parents, teachers, and academic advisors the resources they needed to help students cope with feelings of isolation and loss, the stress inherent to a new format of learning, and a world suffused with uncertainty. "We focused on healthy quarantine habits, including balancing screen time, creating at-home routines, and maintaining hygiene," shares LaRose, middle school counselor. LaRose also continued her popular "Lunch Bunches" on Microsoft Teams, allowing middle school students a daily outlet to take a break from virtual learning and socialize with their friends. "I wanted to maintain as much normalcy as possible by recreating what we would have had in person at school," she says. "Social connection is critical to middle school development."

This past fall, the school counselors were more proactive in their outreach to students—working with students both one-on-one and in classes to help them manage feelings of stress and anxiety. "Due to hybrid learning, students can no longer just pop into my office when they want to talk," says May. "Instead, I've scheduled individual interviews with the girls to build and maintain that trust and rapport."

The shift to hybrid learning and a more structured class schedule this year has important social and emotional benefits

Byjantium Eastern Roman Empire for students, says May. "It's easy to see that the girls are more appreciative of their time at school," she says. "They're enjoying the daily interactions, able to giggle in the hallways, even masked, and sit outside with their friends while eating lunch. The SPSG community is a family now more than ever."

### 'A PACKING PROBLEM'

While counselors across campus focused on students' mental and emotional health, others took up the logistical challenges inherent to hybrid learning. "Creative problem-solving" ruled the day over the summer, as administrators toiled to come up with a plan to bring students, faculty, and staff members safely back to campus, says Ereni Gleason Malfa '89, head of St. Paul's School for Girls.

"We all know by now that there are three steps we must take to dramatically reduce the risk of spreading Covid-19: Wear a mask, practice good hand hygiene, and maintain six feet of distance from others,"









Classroom spaces and teaching practices have been reinvented to accommodate six feet of social distance between all students.

During the fall, Dean of the Arts John Hendricks held socially distanced music classes in the Darrell Nature Pavilion on campus.

says Malfa. "The first two are relatively simple to implement," she says, noting the hand sanitizing stations that have been set up outside every classroom and across campus, and her experience with students, who have all been very compliant with mask wearing. "The hard one, the really hard one, is the six feet of social distancing," she says. "Schools just aren't set up to run that way. It's required a whole reinvention."

Early on, Malfa and others received invaluable expertise from a senior administrator's son, Ari Rosner, who was home from Cal Tech. Watching his mom work to configure classrooms with her measuring stick, he quickly identified the social distancing challenge as a "packing problem" in engineering. You need an algorithm to make this efficient, he told her. Then he developed one.

"Our spaces across campus are different shapes and sizes," explains Malfa. "With the algorithm, we could plug in factors like where the chalkboard is, where the entrances are, where walkways are needed, and the dimensions of the room. Then it would calculate the number of students who can safely fit in the room."

In most classrooms, the magic number was between 10 and 13. Since the average class size in the upper schools at St. Paul's is 12 to 18, that has meant dividing many classes into two groups in adjoining classrooms, with a teacher moving between the two rooms during 80-minute class blocks. Students in one room work independently on an assignment (with a proctor in the room) for 40 minutes, while the teacher leads a discussion in the other room. Halfway through, the teacher switches. (The lower school has brought on additional teachers—and tapped resource teachers—to keep homeroom class sizes small, and young learners remain with their cohort throughout the day.)

To solve the challenge inherent to coordinated classes, which bring upper and middle school boys and girls together for elective classes in foreign language and the arts, among other courses, "we have essentially created a spot in the middle of campus, the Ward Center for the Arts, which has become our building for coordinated learning," says Malfa. Boys and girls enter and exit from different doors, and teachers move between adjoining learning areas that are separated by dividers or Plexiglas shields.

"To provide more space for physical distancing, we are also using spaces not typically utilized as classrooms," such as the dining hall, gym, chapel, and the theatres in the Ward Center, Malfa says. The schools also extended the lease on the temporary classrooms—which sprang up last year to expand classroom space while construction was underway on the new boys' upper school building—to provide additional space for learning.

# THE SHOW(S) MUST GO ON

If providing a safe—and superlative academic experience during a global pandemic isn't enough to take on, leaders at The St. Paul's Schools have also been focused on maintaining those "value-added" activities and opportunities that are so important.

"One of the really great things about The St. Paul's Schools is our commitment to 'the extras," says Dean of the Arts John Hendricks. "We have 20 faculty members solely dedicated to arts education, plus a whole range of adjunct teachers, and they have been focused on ensuring that our arts programs continue to thrive."

For example, last spring, despite the shutdown of in-person learning, the visual arts teachers mounted an immersive, 360-degree online gallery of student works in partnership with the Communications Office. (Arts leaders at schools throughout the region were so impressed, they called asking for advice on how to replicate the approach. Hendricks says.) Students in the IB Theatre program, under the direction of Chris Kemmerer, collaborated in an imaginative Zoom performance of Clue that drew rave reviews from appreciative viewers. And lower school music teacher Nick Holland-Garcia produced and acted in a series of creative instructional videos-often playing multiple instruments himself-which were skillfully designed to keep young students engaged, singing, and moving to the music.

This past fall, despite the challenges posed by Covid-19, St. Paul's was able to grow the arts program, Hendricks notes, with two staff positions in the upper school—in graphic arts and technical theater—moving from part- to full-time. The dance program, which includes the extra-curricular The Dance Conservatory (TDC), which "I feel an energy from students who have been back on campus. There is a lightness that I haven't seen or felt since we moved into this crisis last March." –ERENI GLEASON MALFA '89



Last spring, visual arts teachers and the Communications Office mounted an immersive, 360-degree online gallery of student artwork which teachers at schools throughout the region asked to replicate.

draws students from a range of area schools, continued to offer instruction both online and in person, as will the after school instrumental music program.

While acknowledging that Covid-19 has prompted some disappointing cancellations, such as the Concert Chorale's planned summer tour to Greece, Hendricks notes that there is a robust roster of productions planned for 2021. "We are doing a full production schedule, with some interesting adaptations that allow us to move productions completely online if necessary," he says.

Fifth and sixth graders have been working with James Lex on *Cyclops: An Odyssey Tale,* which Lex is writing specifically for the St. Paul's students. The production will debut in May. Students in grades 7 and 8 will take on the musical *Ranked*, scheduled to be performed February 26–28. Auditions for the upper school musical, *Matilda*, took place outside under a tent in early September. Typically mounted in the fall, the upper school musical has been moved to late April this year. "Depending on the state of the world, it could end up being performed live, or filmed and shown as a movie of sorts, or presented as a combination of recordings and live performances, perhaps in an outdoor venue," says Hendricks, who serves as the musical's music director.

Now in his seventh year as dean for the arts, Hendricks says, "What I love is that all of our faculty in the arts, while acknowledging the challenges imposed by Covid-19, are pushing forward with this great optimism that we will continue to grow and prosper."

# THE NEW WAY FORWARD

- Nearing the end of the fall semester, Ereni Malfa echoes that optimism. "I feel an energy from students who have been back on campus. There is a lightness that I haven't seen or felt since we moved into this crisis last March," she says.
- "In my messages to parents, students, faculty, and staff, I have tried to embrace the uncertainty, rather than fight it, and encourage others to do the same," Malfa adds. "When you look up synonyms for 'unprecedented,' you find 'groundbreaking' and 'extraordinary.' There's something so freeing and energizing about using those terms as we move through this academic year. This is the new way. Let's seize it as an opportunity."

Though athletics looked different this past fall, coaches were committed to providing safe practices involving strength and conditioning and skills development.



# Celebrating the Class of 2020



On June 19, two weeks after their originally scheduled commencement, the 77 members of St. Paul's School for Girls' class of 2020 processed into the Harper Graduation Garden to receive their diplomas. White face masks complemented the graduates' traditional white gowns, and chairs spaced six feet apart extended well beyond the graduation stage. While parents were able to join the celebration on campus, several cameras streamed the ceremony live on Facebook for siblings, grandparents, and friends. The abbreviated ceremony looked unlike any graduation in SPSG's history, but the spirit of joy and celebration remained.

"I am so thrilled that we are able to have this special in-person ceremony to mark the end of your years at SPSG," shared Ereni Gleason Malfa '89, in her first commencement address as head of school. Malfa expressed her gratitude to the class of 2020 for its continued leadership when SPSG transitioned to distance learning. The graduates worked hard, she noted, to remain connected, retain beloved senior traditions, and find "virtual ways to lead, support, and guide" through uncharted territory. "Your class is forever bonded."

Claire Foley '20, speaking for the senior class, echoed these sentiments. She spoke of the resilience of her peers throughout their journey, but especially in their final months at SPSG. "Despite all the unknown factors," Foley shared, "the class of 2020 never failed to meet every challenge with confidence and determination."

Casey Planta '20 received the Trustee Prize for maintaining the highest academic average in her class throughout upper school. Recognized for her unstoppable drive and ability to lead by example, Adrian Johnson '20 received the Leadership Award. Caroline Voultepsis '20 was awarded the Levering Award, recognizing the graduate who most embodies the qualities of good citizenship and who has made SPSG a better place for having been part of the community.



1/ Claire Foley '20

- 2/ Graduates wore white face masks to complement the traditional white graduation dresses.
- 3/ Caroline Voultepsis '20

- 4/ Adrian Johnson '20
- 5/ Casey Planta '20
- 6/ To accommodate social distancing, seating for the graduates extended beyond the stage and into the garden.

# Newsworthy



# A Record 16 Student-Athletes Commit to Collegiate Programs

This past November, SPSG celebrated 16 senior student-athletes—a new SPSG record—who made commitments to Division I, Division II, and Division III collegiate programs for the 2021–2022 academic year. "I am so proud of these seniors and recognize the hard work and

Top row, left to right:

- Caitlin McElwee, James Madison University, Lacrosse
- Josie Hahn, University of Florida, Lacrosse
- Leah Warehime, Georgetown University, Lacrosse
- Izzy Reh, Lafayette College, Lacrosse
- Jordyn Schwartz, Randolph Macon College, Lacrosse
- Olivia Stewart, Amherst College, Lacrosse
- Cat Caples, Washington and Lee College, Lacrosse
- Angelina Pino, Lehigh University, Lacrosse

determination that was required to earn this awesome recognition," said Athletic Director Erin Howland. "I thank them for their incredible contributions to the SPSG athletic program the past four years."

Bottom row, left to right:

- Esprit Cha, High Point University, Lacrosse
- Dylan Delaney, Ithaca University, Softball
- Annabel Frey, Florida Institute of Technology, Lacrosse
- Paris Colgain, Johns Hopkins University, Lacrosse
- Madison Skidmore, Marquette University, Lacrosse
- Christina Gagnon, University of Southern California, Lacrosse
- Kiley Russell, Temple University, Lacrosse
- Rachel Katzenberg, Mt. Holyoke College, Field Hockey



# Student-Artists Find New Ways to Embrace their Craft

After rescheduling the upper school musical, *Matilda*, from fall to spring, Director Chris Kemmerer hoped to mount a winter stage production in the Ward Center for the Arts. When it became clear that would not be possible, "we started to think outside the box," she said. "Our plan was to embrace the challenges and requirements that Covid-19 has presented rather than push against them." The theatre faculty launched the first virtual Upper School Winter Play Festival entitled *Speak Up. Speak Out!* All members of the St. Paul's community were invited to write 10-minute plays about what it means to find your voice and speak out about important issues in the world. "We were inspired by the stories these playwrights shared," said Kemmerer. "The topic that was most widely explored revolved around teen anxiety, stress, and depression. It seemed fitting and important to tell these stories based on what our students are dealing with right now." Out of 25 submissions, eight plays were selected to be produced, directed, designed, and performed by upper school theatre students in February.

Meanwhile dance faculty Natasha Rhodes and Alaina Tary utilized clear face masks, creative choreography, and videography to film and premiere the winter concert, *Just Dance*, online in December. The opening number, "Home," showcased site-specific choreography on campus, performed by St. Paul's advanced dance company, Inertia, and filmed by Aidan Eck '21. "After being separated from each other for months this past year, I could not think of a better landscape than our own beloved campus," shared Rhodes. "'Home' is an ode to friendship, joy, and togetherness. If this year has taught us one thing—we cannot take for granted the opportunity to be together."

# SPSG Celebrates the Retirement of Two Beloved Educators

This past June, SPSG bid farewell to science teacher Charlotte Smith after 21 years in the middle school. A calm, kind presence for her young students, Charlotte taught life and physical sciences to students in grades 5 through 8. Beloved by students and colleagues alike, Charlotte was known for her quiet patience, enduring positivity, and ability to create fun even in stressful situations. Celebrating Charlotte's 20 years of service in 2019, French teacher Christine Soudry shared, "Mrs. Smith's countless good qualities make her a well-rounded and incredibly strong person. She is a good person, so supportive of her friends, a caring wife, a great mom, a wonderful grandmother, and an amazing teacher."

Spanish teacher Aggie Diver will retire this spring after 31 years at SPSG. Having joined the faculty in 1990, Señora Diver, as she is known to students, served as chair of the World Languages Department for 14 years and has received the Faculty Chair Award, the Class of '88 Award, and the Linda King Excellence in Teaching Award. A true master-teacher, Aggie emphasizes a knowledge of current events and culture alongside grammar and vocabulary. Throughout her time at SPSG, she has traveled abroad with students to Spain, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Argentina, and Japan. Students and alumnae fondly remember completing her "adopt-a-country" project, writing skits and short stories, and singing alongside her during Halloween, Christmas, and El Cinco de Mayo. She promotes good citizenship and encourages confidence, often telling her students, "You are women of the future. Speak up and let your voice be heard." A former student of Aggie's said, "She has the distinct ability to not only identify unique talents in each of her students, but also to encourage them to fully cultivate those talents. Señora Diver is a tremendous asset to the SPSG community-it has been made a better place because of her."



Charlotte Smith taught grades 5 through 8 for 21 years.



Aggie Diver dedicated 31 years to the World Languages Department.

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# Zee Fambrough Science Speaker Series Features Dr. Leana Wen



Each academic year, the Zee Fambrough Science Speaker Series welcomes influential women in science to speak with students about their professions and career paths. In October, SPSG welcomed Dr. Leana Wen, emergency physician and professor of public health at George Washington University, as the first Fambrough Speaker of the academic year. In addition to her work in the hospital and the classroom, Dr. Wen is a contributing columnist for *The Washington Post* and an on-air commentator and medical analyst for CNN. Previously, she served as Baltimore City's Health Commissioner.

Due to Covid-19, Dr. Wen engaged in a virtual Q&A with Kate Ure, science department chair, which students watched and discussed during advisory. Originally an immigrant from Shanghai, China, Dr. Wen discussed the role that her childhood in Los Angeles played in her decision to pursue medicine. "We depended on assistance for food and shelter and had Medicaid ... and I remember very early on, loving the idea of becoming a doctor because I saw so many people in my neighborhood living without healthcare," she said. In addition, she shared her journey from UCLA and Washington University School of Medicine to her role serving Baltimore as health commissioner and current work on the frontlines of Covid-19.

Dr. Wen encouraged students to use their voice, express themselves, seek guidance from mentors, and take advantage of opportunities that arise throughout their careers. "My career is one that took a lot of turns, and so many of the fulfilling experiences that I've had are because of opportunities that I'd never have expected." Reflecting on her early career as a lab technician, Dr. Wen noted, "I wouldn't have known that [emergency medicine] was my passion if I didn't try other things. In attempting different paths, you can discover what you are truly passionate about."

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Alumna Leah Johnson '20 created the Black at The St. Paul's Schools Instagram account with Manny Adede '20 (pictured on opposite page) to amplify Black voices both on campus and within the alumni community.

# Building a Better COMMUNITY

On Sunday, June 28, one month after the killing of George Floyd, The St. Paul's Schools Board of Trustees received a letter signed by more than 140 alumnae of the girls' school.

"It is time," the authors wrote, "that the school actively demonstrates that the St. Paul's community is ready to walk alongside students to correct social injustices and systemic racism."

The letter called on St. Paul's to take a public stand on systemic inequality, but it also shone a light on our own campus climate. Citing specific encounters that students of color have faced over a span of decades, the letter implored the schools to create a more inclusive and empowering environment for Black students and faculty.

When Joe Sutton '88 received the letter, he was still two days away from formally assuming his role as the schools' new board chair, but he felt compelled to act. After a phone call with Ebony Harley '05, president of SPSG's Alumnae Association, he convened a special committee of the board that would focus exclusively on actions to promote equity and inclusion in the St. Paul's community.

"Reading the letter was extremely painful for me, as I know it was for others," Sutton said. "We care so much about our schools, but most importantly, we care about the people within our schools. If any student in our care does not feel valued or protected, then we need to do better."

## AMPLIFYING BLACK VOICES

Throughout the month of June, The St. Paul's Schools hosted a series of forums for students, parents, employees, and alumni to process the killing of George Floyd and to discuss their own experiences with racial injustice.



Manny Adede '20

Some community members took directly to social media to share their stories through anonymous posts to the Black at The St. Paul's Schools Instagram account. The account was created by two recent graduates, Leah Johnson '20 and Manny Adede '20, with the goal to "continue spreading awareness for equality" by amplifying the voices and experiences of Black students and faculty.

Over the past several months, students have posted about a range of experiences—from witnessing microaggressions in the classroom (for example, looking to the one student of color in the room to chime in on race-related topics) to more disturbing incidents involving overtly racist behavior or language.

Reading these accounts, "it is clearly not enough to say we reject racism and bigotry in all forms," observes Dr. Jeff Huang, president of The St. Paul's Schools. "We must do more to ensure that St. Paul's is truly the inclusive, loving community that we strive to be."

# A COMMITMENT TO CHANGE

That work, according to Huang, falls into five categories: culture, curriculum, hiring, training, and dialogue. In a June 13 statement to the community, which outlined the schools' commitments, Huang said that students need to see faculty and administrators who "look like them" and should see themselves reflected in the curriculum, too.

Efforts to incorporate more diverse and culturally aware programming already exist across campus, of course. That work begins in the lower school with lessons that help students develop appreciation of differences, and it continues in the girls' and boys' schools with carefully selected reading lists, student-run affinity groups, and more (see pages 16–17 for additional initiatives at the girls' school). However, there is a renewed push to be more intentional and more coordinated in this area.

Huang pledged other measures as well, including support for ongoing professional development to create a culturally competent workforce and making space for honest, open conversations about race. Above all, he wrote, The St. Paul's Schools must foster a culture where each student can be his or her authentic self and feel safe, loved, and appreciated.

The new board-level Special Committee on Equity and Inclusion will help guide these initiatives in partnership with the administration. In September, the committee approved the funding of a brand-new position for the schools: a senior-level administrator to oversee equity and inclusion initiatives for the entire campus. (In the past, each school has had a diversity coordinator who managed this role alongside other teaching and coaching duties.) The candidate search will begin this winter.

Finally, both the board and the administration have expressed a desire to publicly acknowledge the history of the Brooklandwood administrative building, which was built in the late 18th century by Charles Carroll, a slaveowner. The Campus Research Committee, which met for the first time on Nov. 5, and includes representatives from all the schools' constituencies, is charged with researching and reporting findings on the history of The St. Paul's Schools and the connection with slavery, as it pertains to the schools' property, founders, and early trustees. The group will share those findings through an educational campaign that may include adding information to the schools' website, hosting a lecture, and adding commemorative markers on the campus.

"Now, the work falls to us to honor their voices and their courage by making real change."

-JOE SUTTON '88

### FOR THE LOVE OF OUR SCHOOLS

Four months into his tenure as board chair, Sutton is well aware that conversations on justice and equity provoke a range of reactions among faculty, students, parents, and alumni. Talking about these issues in the context of the schools, he says, it is easy to become defensive, because we all have a deep affection for St. Paul's and an appreciation for the many ways that St. Paul's does embody its founding principles.

"I try to remind people that you can love the schools and still acknowledge the shortcomings," Sutton says. "Actually, it's my love of the schools that motivates me to take a critical look at where we are and how we might do better. I want us to live our values every day and in every way."

Sutton adds that he is especially proud of the students and alumni who have spoken up and demanded better.

"Now," he says, "the work falls to us to honor their voices and their courage by making real change."

 $Brooklandwood\ administrative\ building$ 



# A Focus on Inclusivity

As an Episcopal school, St. Paul's School for Girls believes that every child is a child of God and that trust, understanding, and mutual respect lie at the heart of our community. SPSG is committed to creating a supportive learning environment where all individuals are valued for their unique contributions. St. Paul's continues to expand its focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion programming, including the following curricular and extracurricular initiatives at the girls' school.



# INCLUSIVITY COUNCIL

The middle and upper schools each have an Inclusivity Council made up of students. This group is trained in facilitating difficult conversations and tasked with creating educational programming to celebrate the differences within the SPSG community. This year, the councils have planned a virtual King's Vision Day event, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., focused on "Activism and Allyship."

"I joined the Inclusivity Council to raise more awareness about social and racial injustices as well as to create more allyship between different groups of people on campus," says Mariah Queen '22.

AIMS Association of Independent Maryland & DC Schools



### MAKING SCHOOLS SAFE

Each year, SPSG sends several faculty, staff, and students to Making Schools Safe, a gender and sexual orientation conference founded 20 years ago by the Association of Independent Maryland and DC Schools (AIMS). Designed to educate attendees about moving their own school communities forward, the conference features guest speakers and educational programming centered on a different topic each year, such as struggles with gender identity or ways to be an ally.

- "Making Schools Safe changed my perspective regarding what it means to be an inclusive community," said Wyeth Karpovich '21.
- "It is not just about who sits where at lunch but the language we use, the spaces we choose to fill, and how we choose to interact with other people."



# SOCIAL JUSTICE ELECTIVE

The social justice elective offered in the middle school introduces seventh and eighth graders to the meaning of social justice while exploring race, intersectionality, immigration, and more. Students research a particular cause and create presentations to share with their peers.

"Today more than ever social justice is important because it promotes fairness and equity throughout all aspects of society," says Anousha Joseph '25, who took the course last year. "As young women and future leaders of this country, it is important to understand that there are problems, but we need to be courageous enough to stand up and fix them."



# FACTUALITY

Each fall, ninth grade students participate in FACTUALITY, a facilitated dialogue and board game that simulates real life experiences in America. Created and facilitated by Natalie Gillard, FACTUALITY is played with a group of diverse characters who encounter a series of advantages and limitations based on the intersection of their race, class, gender, sexual orientation, faith, and age.

"Students begin to explore their social identifiers at deeper levels as they approach upper school," says Aisha Mason, director of diversity, equity, and inclusion at SPSG. "Playing the game allows students to understand what someone else goes through, allowing them to develop empathy for others who identify differently than themselves."



## TUESDAY TALKS

Founded by alumna Adrian Johnson '20 in 2017, Tuesday Talks is a student-led open forum that provides a safe space for students to engage in conversation about events related to social-emotional health, school climate, social justice, and more. Held during lunch breaks, these forums often welcome guest speakers and recent topics have included the "new normal" of the pandemic, Breonna Taylor, and the insurrection at the Capitol.

"Tuesday Talks allows students and faculty to discuss topics we don't otherwise address during school hours in order to better educate our community, but more importantly, to ensure that all voices are heard," Johnson shared in a school-wide message. "We not only have the discussions that are needed but work to come up with solutions."



### BLACK CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE

A new upper school English course, "Black Contemporary Literature: Love in a New Generation" examines contemporary Black love familial, romantic, fraternal, and cultural—and the impacts of racism on Black Americans. Taught by Academic Dean Naa-Adei Kotey, the course analyzes works by Glory Edim, Nikki Giovanni, Audre Lorde, Brit Bennett, Sara Collins, Yaa Gyasi, Ta-Nehisi Coates, and more.

Kotey also has welcomed several accomplished guests to speak virtually with her students, including Dr. V Varun Chaudhry '10, assistant professor of women's, gender, and sexuality studies at Brandeis University; Bolu Babalola, author of *Love in Colour*; and poet and playwright Darrel Alejandro Holnes, author of "Black Parade."

"Talking to these authors and experts has truly opened my mind," says Paulina Wilson '22. "I can go beyond what is written on the page and connect the stories to my own life and experiences."

# **AFFINITY GROUPS**

Affinity groups at SPSG are designed to unite and support students who share a common element of their identity, such as race, religion, or ethnicity. Japanese teacher Maki Okamoto, who leads the Asian Affinity Group, says, "Within the group, we create synergy, promote friendship, and celebrate who we are, as well as share our unique challenges and discuss ways to dismantle negative misconceptions."

The group serves to promote positive identities and confidence for those who participate. "Being different than other people at my age can be difficult," says seventh grader Ananya Parekh '26. "I am so happy that SPSG offers an opportunity for young Asian girls like me to express ourselves freely and talk about our cultures and traditions."

# Building BRIDGES in Baltimore

Jillian Randolph '15 spent years working with Bridges while a student at SPSG and served as head counselor for two consecutive summers after she graduated.

When Andrew Meck '19 joined Bridges as a volunteer during his freshman year at St. Paul's, he knew little about the program except that his older sister made it sound like a fun way to earn some community service hours. Five years later, Meck remains one of the program's most committed counselors.

Now in his second year of college at Elon University in North Carolina, he plans to return this summer for one last year as head counselor. The group of Baltimore City students he began working with five years ago, when they were in third grade, finish middle school this spring, and Meck is committed to seeing them off to high school.

"I've known them so long and seen them grow and go through so much," Meck says. "We are part of each other's lives."

Bridges opened at St. Paul's in 1993 as a summer enrichment program for 16 Baltimore City elementary school students. Since then, the program has expanded to a second site at Gilman School and now serves more than 300 Baltimore City youth from the time they are 9 years old through college—and occasionally beyond. Bridges provides a multi-faceted program, offering everything from after-school tutoring to school-placement support and summer programs. The program's staff recently grew to 14 with the addition of a college and career director who helps students convert college degrees into fulfilling careers with financial security. Eighty percent of Bridges students who entered college in fall of 2015 went on to graduate, with two earning cum laude recognition and one receiving the top departmental prize for her thesis.

Last summer, Bridges received the single largest one-year grant in its history, a \$250,000 contribution from the Griffin Family Foundation. These funds will help Bridges open a third site and carry out infrastructure enhancements to support expansion. Robert Paymer '98, executive director of Bridges and a former volunteer himself from his time as a student at St. Paul's, is guiding this growth with the overarching goal of creating a more connected city. "I'm excited to take this great program that started here at St. Paul's and see it impact more lives and communities," he says. "It's a great catalyst, and we need more of that in Baltimore."

From the upper schools at St. Paul's School for Girls and St. Paul's School for Boys, Bridges draws 110 volunteers, who provide nearly 5,000 hours of service per year as after-school tutors and camp counselors. These students derive important benefits from being part of the program. In building meaningful relationships with students from Baltimore City schools, they learn to expand their circle of friendships and see beyond their own lives and experiences.

"Working with people of different backgrounds builds greater awareness. It helps St. Paul's kids think wider than the St. Paul's community," says Jillian Randolph '15, who worked with Bridges and served as head counselor for two consecutive summers after she graduated. She still visits the Bridges loft whenever she is back in Baltimore.

Both Meck and Randolph attribute their current career paths, in part, to the experiences they had working with children in the Bridges program. At Elon, Meck is studying to be an elementary school teacher and hopes to work with fourth or fifth graders. After graduating from the University of Virginia in 2019, Randolph spent time as a Princeton in Africa fellow supporting grants management at hospitals in Tanzania. She has recently moved to Ohio to work on a new public health project focused on reducing cardiovascular risk among Black young adults.

"Bridges cemented for me that I want to work with communities and work in an ecosystem where there are challenges, but where we can create a dialogue based on trust and create initiatives that have impact," Randolph says. "I have traveled a lot, and that experience has followed me everywhere." "Bridges cemented for me that I want to work with communities and work in an ecosystem where there are challenges, but where we can create a dialogue based on trust and create initiatives that have impact. I have traveled a lot, and that experience has followed me everywhere."

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Inspired by her time volunteering with Bridges, Randolph worked at hospitals in Tanzania as a Princeton in Africa fellow.



# EDUCATION FOR**GOOD**

# SPIRITUS Scholars are solving real-world problems through research and action

When Bianca Eguzo '21 first heard about St. Paul's School for Girls' SPIRITUS Scholars program during a school assembly, she was eager to get involved.

"I really liked what Scholars stood for because I want to make a change in the world," she says. "I loved that our school was offering this really cool opportunity to collaborate with a group of students that have different ideas. I wanted to be in an environment that was about innovation and creating new things."

A selective, two-year program for juniors and seniors, SPIRITUS Scholars fosters inquiry-based independent study in a collaborative, small-group setting.

In the first year, scholars hone their research, creative thinking, and collaboration skills before developing a research question or hypothesis. In the second year, scholars focus on their capstone project by fine-tuning their questions, synthesizing their research, and developing real-world solutions. It all culminates in a community forum where students showcase their findings.

The resulting projects are as diverse as the students, but they all aim to solve a real-world problem or address a community need.

"It's redefining what research can look like, and that scholarly pursuits and fellowship go hand in hand," says SPIRITUS Scholars Coordinator Paige North. "We're reinforcing that anyone can think outside the box and can see a project from its infancy through its completion."

The two-year timespan gives scholars the opportunity to build an in-depth project. It also forges tight bonds among the cohort of 12 young women.

"You see them come in excited about embarking on this journey together," North says. "They learn to think critically, independently, and creatively about something that matters to them. And they learn the importance of curiosity, and honing that curiosity in service of something outside of themselves."

For her project, Eguzo was inspired by the students she works with through Bridges Baltimore, a yearround support system for underserved Baltimore City students. Volunteering after school and on the weekends for several years, Eguzo wanted to bring awareness to the lack of resources for the students she got to know in Baltimore City Public Schools.

"I knew going into it I wanted to focus on this issue," she says.

With her project "Educate Baltimore," Eguzo plans to elevate the voices of Bridges students through a virtual gallery that will highlight the students' experiences through their own photography and storytelling.

"My main goal is to bring awareness, and that will hopefully inspire change," says Eguzo, who has interviewed Maryland legislators, including Chief Legislative Officer Keiffer Mitchell, as part of her research to learn about how funding and lawmaking impact the education gap. Eguzo has also interviewed Dr. William Blake, director of social-emotional learning for District of Columbia Public Schools.

"We're reinforcing that anyone can think outside the box and can see a project from its infancy through its completion." -PAIGE NORTH





Bianca Eguzo '21 conducted a virtual interview with Keiffer Mitchell, chief legislative officer for the Maryland Governor's Office, for her project "Educate Baltimore."

As part of her project, "Plastic-Free Future," Caroline Lee '20 organized a community clean-up of Lake Roland in fall 2019, using biodegradable bags and gloves rather than plastics.

Eliza Sollers '21, whose project focuses on educating the community about sustainability, says SPIRITUS Scholars has changed her approach to helping others. "We learned about intent versus impact, a concept that forces you to analyze the change you intend to make," she says. "I have learned that it is important to seek out what a community needs rather than assuming."

She credits North for encouraging students to aim high and take academic risks. While organizing a speaker series of women working in sustainability, for example, Sollers approached Alexandra Palt, vice president of sustainability at L'Oreal in New York City, who agreed to speak at a virtual Prayers assembly. "Getting a response from her was a long shot, but Ms. North has taught us to go for any opportunity we can, and so far, it has worked out," she says. "She inspires us each day to think beyond our limits."

In addition to serving a community through their capstone project, scholars learn to work together. "One of the major components of the program is a collaborative mindset," North says. "They lift one another up, and that is part of the success of the program: The ability to look beyond yourself and see how helping a classmate can be as gratifying as succeeding in your own work."

Going through the process as a cohort creates an incubator-like environment for ideas and collaboration. "You're part of something that can be hard and frustrating at times, and you fail forward a million times, but if you look to the person to your left or right, you have them to lift you up and bounce ideas off of," North says. "There's a lot of electricity in that space when we're learning together, even virtually. They have so much energy."

Scholars leave the program with a unique set of skills to continue creative problem-solving in college and beyond. "It gives our girls a way of thinking, researching, and asking questions that are critical to the 21st-century skills that they need to have to develop into agents of change later," North adds. "We need more women doing this kind of work."

Alumna Caroline Lee '20, whose project "Plastic-Free Future" advocated for the elimination of single-use plastics, says participating in Scholars gave her the opportunity to explore a passion for sustainability she couldn't have focused on as deeply in her other classes. "I really wanted to have the chance to research that issue on my own and make a positive change," she says.

Seeing members of her school and family change their habits to live more sustainably as a result of her project inspired her to continue her advocacy work.

It also solidified her future plans. Now a freshman at Oberlin College in Ohio, Lee plans to pursue a major in environmental studies. "Without Scholars," Lee says, "I wouldn't have known this is what I'm passionate about."

Scholars Coordinator Paige North is passionate about equipping her students with skills they need to become change agents in the greater community.



Spotlight on STEAM

# NURTURING THE NEXT GENERATION OF COMPUTER SCIENTISTS

New curriculum deepens upper school girls' computational thinking skills

Lindsay Carroll '20 works a problem at the whiteboard with Erin Moyer, computer science instructor, February 2020 St. Paul's School for Girls sophomore Caitlin Faulkner-MacDonagh '23 has a passion for computers and coding an interest fueled by her love of gaming. "I've always been interested in how video games run, then I got sucked into the rabbit hole of how computers work," Faulkner-MacDonagh says. So when she learned about SPSG's AP Computer Science Principles elective, she jumped at the opportunity to enroll. "I really wanted to pursue my passion," she said.

AP Computer Science Principles is a college-level computing course that develops an understanding of computational thinking and explores data, computer programming, global technology trends, and more. The class is part of SPSG's growing computer science program, which is rapidly expanding beyond niche electives like AP Computer Science to include more robust offerings for all grades.

Another example is a new mandatory course for ninth and tenth graders called Foundations of Computer Science.

In this semester-long class, students learn the basics of computational thinking for problem solving, how coding is used in web design, concepts of privacy and ownership on the internet, and how data is represented in computers.

Developed by SPSG's newly formed Department of Innovation, the new foundations class is part of the Computer Science Improvement Initiative launched in 2019. Through faculty professional development and updates to curriculum, the initiative aims to further integrate computer science into coursework. It also bridges a gap that was identified between the middle school, where students are introduced to basic computational thinking skills, and the upper grades, where students may elect to take specialized computer science courses.

"For a lot of our students, they might be interested, but they are not going to take the opportunity to learn those skill sets on their own," says Director of Instructional Technology and Innovation Emily Ziegler. "Giving all students the opportunity to learn these skills in ninth and tenth grade gives everyone the chance to take those higher-level classes and the confidence to explore topics they never had before."

She adds, "There are students thriving in these classes that never would have explored the subject otherwise."

During the 2021–22 academic year, a second required course for tenth graders will build on the first with a more in-depth exploration of computational thinking, including elements of interactive animation and gaming, the iterative design process, and social entrepreneurship.

"We're preparing our students to not just be consumers of technology, but to be creators and critical thinkers," Ziegler adds. "It's projectbased learning, not just 15 minutes to code a day. We're infusing it into real world application. It's really special."

Once equipped with a strong foundation in computer science, students can go on to explore more specific interests through electives. The school is developing new, higher-level elective courses focused on cutting-edge career and industry skills like web and app design, 3D modeling, animation, and robotics.

Taking computer science courses opens the door for students to consider further study, or even a career, in computer science—a field long dominated by men. Studies show that some exposure to computer science in high school could help change that gender imbalance. Students who take AP Computer Science Principles are

at least three times more likely to declare a computer science major at the start of college compared to their peers, according to a study by the College Board.

Within SPSG's all-girls environment, computer science courses have an even greater impact. Curriculum is tailored to fit girls' learning styles and to call attention to women in the industry. "We can use this platform to highlight the impact of women in computer science fields," Ziegler says. "It's something that could never be done in a coed class. The fact that they can not only learn the skills but the importance of women in the field is really phenomenal."



Last year, Computer Science Instructor Erin Moyer developed My CS Mirror, a program designed to connect students with women in computer science. "If you see someone that looks like you, thinks like you, and has gone through similar experiences, you are more likely to feel like you can do it, too," Moyer says.

Women in the industry jumped up to support the idea. Moyer connected his 20 students with more than 50 professionals from companies like Microsoft, Fearless, Firaxis Games, Service Now, and Legends of Learning. Students emailed back and forth with the women, learning how their class projects related to the work women in the industry do every day.

"The number one thing I love about my job is the opportunity to show girls that there is a place for them within the world of computer science," Moyer says. "And it's one we as a society desperately need."

Alexis Gilman '22, a student in Moyer's AP Computer Science Principles course, agrees. "I think it's important for us to learn a basis of computer science so we can figure out if we're interested or not," she says.

"Based off of my class experience, I would like to continue pursuing computer science courses," she says. "Who knows? Maybe even a career."

Pictured above, February 2020: Computer science curriculum is tailored to fit girls' learning styles and highlight women in the industry.



Taylor Vanhoy '25, Madeline Lamoureux '25, and Charlotte Carroll '26 worked with their Minimester group to design the "Buzz Band," an affordable smartwatch that allows students to organize their daily class schedule and homework. Pictured above, students built the prototypes by 3D printing the watch face and using fabric and Velcro for customizable bands.

# PLANTING THE SEEDS

# Minimester encourages entrepreneurial thinking in SPSG's middle school

"No matter what they want to do in the future, girls must have these key skills of critical thinking, resilience, problem-solving, and working with others. This is the time to plant that entrepreneurial seed."

-KATLYN GRASSO

Last March, just before the extended closure of campus due to Covid-19, the sounds of laughter and excitement echoed throughout the middle school hallway at SPSG. Students huddled in the Class of 2017 MakerSpace and rehearsed their elevator pitches ahead of their final presentations for Minimester 2020.

A signature program in the middle school, Minimester allows students to break from traditional classes for a week each year in order to pursue their interests in a mixedgrade setting. In an effort to ignite a passion for discovery and exploration, students engage in an interdisciplinary, projectbased experience during which they are offered alternative topics of study and unconventional approaches to learning. Students develop and guide each project, with faculty serving as facilitators, before presenting their findings to their peers and teachers.

This past year's Minimester centered on entrepreneurship, challenging students in grades 5 through 8 to identify various problems they face as middle school students and work to build concrete solutions. Throughout the week-long project, student groups developed their own business plans and brand identities while learning about customer marketing, value proposition, cost and revenue, and prototyping. "I learned that creating a business isn't as easy as just coming up with the idea. You need to think through the costs, transportation, and materials," shared Shannon Edwards '25.

Building on these themes, SPSG welcomed locally and nationally recognized entrepreneurs, including Kevin Plank, founder of Under Armour; Katlyn Grasso, founder of GenHERation; and Ellen Frost, owner of Local Color Flowers, to speak to students on campus. Plank kicked off the week by sharing his journey in building an international apparel brand and encouraged students to consider four questions as they developed their business ideas: Who is your "tribe?" What are your values? What is your philanthropy? What is your dream?

Katlyn Grasso, a graduate of an allgirls school herself, worked with each Minimester group on their projects and provided constructive feedback. "Teaching young girls about the entrepreneurial mindset is critical," she shared. "It's at this age, when they are impressionable and curious about the world, that they are developing their ideals about their future self."

At the end of Minimester, groups pitched their products—ranging from "Buzz Band," a smartwatch that helps students organize their work and daily schedule, to a recycling bin that sorts materials automatically—to faculty and fellow students. Although faculty determine a winning group, Minimester is ungraded, encouraging girls to take healthy risks and think creatively without the burden of a letter grade.

"I feel lucky to have been able to experience Minimester," said Ella Rubin '24. "Having multiple grades in the same group gives you the opportunity to make new friends and bring different mindsets to the project. It's a good introduction and gets you excited for all the industry visits and real-world experiences we can try once we're in the upper school."

Grasso agrees that Minimester is the perfect springboard to encourage future exploration into a variety of careers and industries. "No matter what they want to do in the future, girls must have these key skills of critical thinking, resilience, problem solving, and working with others," she shared. "This is the time to plant that entrepreneurial seed."

# Investing in the Future

Barb Black '10 prepares students to navigate their financial goals

When SPSG approached alumna Barb Black '10 in 2019 about creating a financial literacy course, she didn't think twice before saying yes. Now a wealth advisor and Certified Financial Planner<sup>™</sup> at RMB Capital, Black remembers fondly her time in Phyllis Flenniken's AP Economics course at SPSG but wanted to provide greater exposure and opportunity for upper school students to explore investing, markets, and money management.

This year, 30 students in grades 9 through 12 joined Investing 101, a monthly, ungraded workshop designed entirely by Black. "The world of investing is so vast, so I thought carefully about the best way to ensure the girls get a good handle on the basics how do you open an account? What kind of account should you open? How do you start picking stocks? without inundating them with information and confusing them," she says. "And I make it fun."

A popular stock simulation game allows each student to put her learning into practice, researching specific stocks, investing faux money, and then following their performance throughout the length of the course. "It was really cool to engage in a real-world experience by watching our money grow or not depending on the stocks that we picked," says Savannah Shafer '22, now in her second year of the program. "It gives us the chance to see how the market actually operates."

Black strives, however, to balance fun with the fundamental concepts and implications of investing. "I stress to the girls that while it's cool to buy stock in your favorite company and cool to watch stocks grow, there is also a lot of risk to it," Black says. "Before you start investing, you need to know what your goals are, what this money is for, and why you're investing."

Skylar Moore '22, who joined Investing 101 this year, is already thinking about how the course will affect her future. "Growing up, my parents always taught me not to be dependent on someone else, like a partner, to manage your finances," she says. "I want to be my own best advocate. If I know the ins and outs, then I'll know when I'm being represented fairly."

After just a few months in Investing 101, Moore credits Black with deepening her interest in finance.



Barb Black '10 teaches Investing 101 virtually this year for Skylar Moore '22, pictured center, and fellow classmates.

"I've heard my dad and brother talk about stocks, and it has always sounded boring," she says. "But when you hear it from a young woman like Ms. Black, it lets me know that it's something that I can do, too, once I have the tools and the knowledge."

Shafer, who aspires to a career in finance and spent last year's Sophomore Shadow Day at T. Rowe Price, echoes her classmate, noting that Black's connection to SPSG as an alumna makes her particularly relatable. "It's very empowering to see someone succeed who has come from where I have—she was in my shoes at one point," she says. "Hearing her story and how she got to where she is gives me hope."

Black, in turn, loves the opportunity to teach and engage with the students. "It gives me a lot of pride that SPSG is one of the few all-girls, independent schools in the country offering a comprehensive, co-curricular program like this," she says. "It's so important to teach girls who are preparing to take that next big step into college and beyond. We're preparing them to take control of their financial world and their future."

SPSG continues to expand its financial literacy program for grades 5 through 12 with the support of a generous, planned gift from the late W. James Price IV '42. "It's so important to teach girls who are preparing to take that next big step into college and beyond. We're preparing them to take control of their financial world and their future." –Вакв вLACK '10 **Teachers at SPSG use their classroom lessons to inspire lifelong learning.** Last year, the Algebra 2 Honors class analyzed

real world data using function and regression equations. Students studied wind turbines through research and informational interviews with scientists at a wind turbine farm in Washington state. They were then asked to use their findings, along with the data analysis learned in the classroom, to determine whether wind turbines should be installed in Ocean City, Maryland. Students were enthusiastic in making their recommendations and continued the conversation into the summer.



The St. Paul's School for Girls community provides opportunities for each student to develop and enhance her strengths. Engaging in spaces that encourage healthy risk taking, SPSG students work together to think creatively, share ideas, and discover new areas of interest. Whether observing leadership at an international level at the Harvard Global Health Conference or putting Spanish language skills to the test volunteering at Baltimore's Día del Niño celebration, students build lifelong skills, preparing them for a future filled with opportunities.

To make your gift to The Gator Fund, please visit **www.stpaulsmd.org/gatorfund** or call Haley Brown Mahonski '99, director of The Gator Fund, at 443-632-1014.



# ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL FOR GIRLS DONOR IMPACT REPORT 2019-2020

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# An Update from the Board of Trustees



### Dear Friends of SPSG,

As a trustee of The St. Paul's Schools and chair of the Advancement Committee, I am thrilled to share with you the fundraising success of the 2019–2020 fiscal year. That success begins with you, the members of our SPSG community, who believe in the school's mission and choose to make our students and teachers a philanthropic priority. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, please accept my deep gratitude for all that you have given in time, treasure, and talent to make certain that SPSG continues to thrive.

As a member of St. Paul's School for Boys' class of 1988, I have relished the opportunity to learn more about what makes SPSG so special. From treasured traditions like Ring Day and Green and White Weekend, to more recent initiatives such as Gator Day and #GatorLove, the school community is bursting with Gator pride. Active volunteers—whether alumnae, parents, or friends—are an integral part of SPSG's accomplishments.

The 2019-2020 academic year ended differently than anyone could have imagined, yet despite the challenges, we have much to celebrate. Green and White Weekend went virtual, and our 50th reunion class participated in cherished traditions adapted for a virtual format. We continued, via Zoom, important community conversations focused on diversity, equity, and inclusion. Alumnae networked online and learned from each other in a new series of Lunch and Learns.

SPSG is truly a community that feels like home, and the generosity of that community is inspiring. I am pleased to share just a few of last year's giving highlights:

- Gifts and pledges totaled over \$1.5 million for the 2020 fiscal year, reflecting a 13% increase over the previous year;
- Gator Day set a new 24-hour giving record in October 2019, raising \$316,311 from 420 donors, a 9% increase from the previous fiscal year;
- The class of 2020 surpassed its senior gift goal, generating gifts totaling more than \$90,000, the largest amount in recent history;
- The Board of Trustees contributed \$360,835 in unrestricted gifts to support the operating budget;
- The fifth annual Swamp Soiree shattered the proverbial ceiling, raising \$112,464 under the capable leadership of a dedicated group of parent and alumnae volunteers.

As you read the inspiring stories in *Spiritus*, I encourage you to reflect on how you can make a difference in the life of The St. Paul's Schools. There are many exciting projects on the horizon, including a transformative STEAM center at SPSG, and you can play an important role. Thank you for all that you have done and will continue to do for St. Paul's School for Girls.

Sincerely,

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Tim Burdette '88 Chair, Advancement Committee Trustee, The St. Paul's Schools

St. Paul's School for Girls gratefully acknowledges the support of its donors. The Donor Impact Report lists the names of individuals and organizations who contributed to SPSG from July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020. Contributions received after June 30, 2020, will be acknowledged in the 2020–2021 Donor Impact Report. Every effort has been made to make this report as accurate as possible. If you uncover an omission, misspelling, or misplaced acknowledgement, we sincerely apologize. Please let us know of these and any personal information updates by contacting Christie Moag in the Development Office at cmoag@stpaulsmd.org.

# St. Paul's School for Girls Gator Fund Overview 2019–2020



# Gator Fund Giving by Constituency



# The St. Paul's Schools Financial Overview 2019–2020



# Leadership Donors 2019–2020



# Leadership Donors

Each year leadership gifts ranging from \$1,959 to over \$100,000 comprise more than 70% of all monies contributed to St. Paul's School for Girls. This special group of donors believes deeply in the mission of the school, and we are grateful to them for making SPSG a philanthropic priority.

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# St. Paul's School for Girls Community Volunteers 2019–2020

St. Paul's School for Girls offers a wide range of ways for parents, alumni, and friends of the community to share their skills and ideas. We appreciate these individuals whose efforts and time helped strengthen and support our community during the 2019–20 school year.

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# Annual Giving 2019–2020

The Gator Fund had a successful year, raising \$687,719 from 746 donors in support of St. Paul's School for Girls. Thank you to our Gator Fund volunteers for all their hard work.

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# **Class of 2020 Senior Gift**

SPSG is grateful to the class of 2020 and their families who funded a record-breaking senior gift initiative, raising more than \$90,000 to benefit The Gator Fund and support enhancements for SPSG's two largest community spaces. SPSG was able to purchase new, state-of-the-art laser projectors for the Performance Gym and Student Commons, which will provide a clear, sharp image, regardless of the amount of ambient light. In addition, new soft seating purchased for the Student Commons is more durable and stain resistant, allowing students to create spaces for collaborative group work or socializing.

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In 1992, the Board of Trustees created the Ivy Society to recognize those members of the community who have named St. Paul's School for Girls as a beneficiary in their estate plans. Originally a small group, the Ivy Society has grown to include trustees, alumnae, parents of alumnae, grandparents, faculty and staff, and friends of the school.

Members of the Ivy Society feel personal satisfaction knowing their planned gift will help ensure a strong, sound financial future for St. Paul's School for Girls. We invite you to contact Caitlin Coyne, director of leadership giving, at 443-632-1045 or ccoyne@stpaulsmd.org to determine how a planned gift not only benefits you, but best suits your long-term financial plans.

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# Jacque and Craig Pfeifer



Jacque Pfeifer, Jill Pfeifer '22, Josie Pfeifer '16, Craig Pfeifer, Brigid Pfeifer '19, and Dee Dee Pfeifer '19

members," she says.

Craig and Jacque Pfeifer's connection to The St. Paul's Schools goes back more than 50 years. Craig graduated from St. Paul's School for Boys in 1980. Since then, the couple's niece and four daughters have all passed through the school doors.

Their oldest daughter, Josie Pfeifer '16, entered the lower school in 2003, while their youngest, Jillian Pfeifer '22, is now a junior at St. Paul's School for Girls.

"I am not from Maryland, so volunteering has been a great way for me to establish my own connection here," says Jacque Pfeifer, who has been active in the school community for nearly two decades. "St. Paul's is a relatively small community, and every member matters. Being a volunteer at any level affords you the chance to meet someone new, learn from that person, and expand your world."

She credits the school's welcoming spirit for making it easy to say "yes" to opportunities to get involved. "The school strives to build an inclusive community for all

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- Jacque Pfeifer

Pfeifer says her daughters have fostered "life-long friendships" at the school. By getting involved themselves, the Pfeifers have had the opportunity to share in the experience—each time they host a team sports dinner or attend a committee meeting is a new chance to create memories and deepen the sense of community.

"Our daughters all look back with individual and collective achievements and memories," she says of their time at SPSG. "Craig and I are also able to look back on our involvement and appreciate the difference we made through volunteering."

As co-chairs of the fifth annual Swamp Soiree in February, the Pfeifers led a team of volunteers to pull off a record-breaking fundraising event. Jacque credits the event's success to setting goals and embracing fresh, out-of-the-box ideas to reach them, including the first-ever online bidding feature spearheaded by fellow parent volunteer Jeanette Guy. The event's digital presence was "icing on the cake" for sales and for the involvement of those who couldn't attend in person.

Alumnae volunteers Arianna Pannoni '10 and Kasey Bedford Steele '10, co-owners of the interior design firm Winsome, chaired the decor committee and transformed SPSG's Performance Gym into a sophisticated setting for the event.

The teamwork embodied Gator spirit. "Having the support of current families and alums is a true example of what SPSG encourages—leadership, creativity, sisterhood, and giving back," Jacque says.

In addition to making a difference in the school community, the Pfeifers say volunteering makes a difference to their daughters. "We have seen firsthand the excitement and approval from our girls when we have been involved in a project or have even gone to school for a meeting or event," Jacque says. "In turn, we are setting the example for them to be involved and stay involved after their years on campus. The involvement that they take on at SPSG reinforces their commitment to the school now and in the future."

The Pfeifers' legacy is already continuing in their children. Their three oldest daughters, Josie, Brigid Pfeifer '19, and Dee Dee Pfeifer '19, remain closely connected to their alumnae classes. "They all share the St. Paul's legacy, and that continued involvement is definitely attributed to the examples that were set at the school," Pfeifer says.

Jacque encourages other parents to get more involved, too, noting that each member of the SPSG community has unique talents to offer that, put together, will make the school stronger. "Dropping your daughter off at the door is not enough," she says. "By choosing St. Paul's, your whole family is an important part of this community. You have to walk through the front doors too."



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Pictured: Upper school students conduct a chemistry experiment, 1977

# Remembering Judy Mitchell

By Dottie Mitchell '81



Judith C. "Judy" Mitchell passed away on Oct. 20, 2020, of cancer at Gilchrist Hospice at the age of 84. She served St. Paul's School for Girls as the school's first nurse, among other roles, from 1959 to 1960 and again from 1967 through 1980. She was married to the late George L. Mitchell, and the couple had four children: Geordie '78, Paul, Dorothy '81, and Steven '83.

# My mother, who had a long career in health and education, was not shy about naming her favorite job among the many she held: her work at St. Paul's School for Girls.

She started as the school's first nurse and over time added dean of students, teacher, coach, referee, and advisor to her job description. In typical independent-school fashion, SPSG encouraged—and perhaps expected—its faculty to assume multiple roles, contributing to a distinctly enriching experience for both students and teachers as they came to know each other across the varying contexts that make up school life. Smart, energetic, and fiercely competitive, my mom had much to offer—and gain—in such a system.

She could be strict, affectionate, and hilarious, often all at once. Many former students recall the relief they felt after passing the doorway of her corner office at the intersection of the middle and upper school hallways without being flagged for some transgression or other. She was often tough, but fair, and a firm believer in the potential of girls to become successful women in a man's world.

Her career at SPSG brought rewards and relationships that she valued for the rest of her life, and the memories of the time she spent there were an enduring source of happiness for her. The impact she had on her students became more fully apparent after she died this past October. Some shared that she had seen them through dark and difficult times. Others remembered her humor and her nothing-shocks-me grin when confronted with mischief and the occasional practical joke—which she loved. Most often, though, we heard simply, "I loved your mom."

Well, the feeling was mutual.

Dottie Mitchell is Judy's daughter and a proud graduate of the St. Paul's School for Girls class of 1981. She is a retired civil litigator and resides in Harrison, N.Y.

# CONDOLENCES

Our sympathy and prayers go to the families who lost loved ones between July 1, 2019, and June 30, 2020.

#### Alumnae

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Anthony Courpas Robert Hornung Patricia Miller Richard Pollard Thomas Shettle Judy Shutt\* Ann Sloane\*

\*Past Faculty/Staff

# Anne Wilson-Johnson

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Anne Wilson-Johnson, a retired Baltimore educator, entrepreneur, and former SPSG trustee, died in mid-October at the age of 94.

Anne attended Mather Academy, a private African-American boarding school in Camden, S.C., before earning a bachelor's degree from Hampton Institute and a master's from Cornell University. In the 1980s, she became the first Black trustee to be named to the St. Paul's School for Girls Board of Trustees, serving two terms. Her daughter, Deirdre Wilson-Redmond, is a member of the class of 1978.

Anne taught in Baltimore City Public Schools, served the Baltimore City Planning Commission, and was appointed by Edmond Lee Browning, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church in the United States of America, to his blue-ribbon task force on sex education and human sexuality. She was an active member of Black Episcopalians and the NAACP.

#### Karen Berger Yeagle, Class Secretary

It has definitely been a different year for all of us, but so far, everyone seems to be making the best of it with the help of our families.

For the month of February, Jill Hatch Munder and Ray stayed in Siesta Key, Fla., where they visited the beautiful Marie Selby Botanical Gardens. There, they saw Salvador Dali: Gardens of the Mind, a horticultural exhibit which transformed the artist's works into plants. Jill's family is doing well. Her granddaughter will be going into the 11th grade, and two of her grandsons will be entering high school and college.

After a challenging year, Karen Gruber Jeffrey has thankfully finished her chemo and radiation and is doing well. With so much changing around our world, Karen has been 'cocooning' in her gardens and reading quite a bit. Even though Covid-19 numbers in Canada are low and testing results are timely, Karen is staying in her neighborhood, doing a lot of walking, and appreciating the beautiful nature in her yard. Her husband, Larry, is doing all the shopping for the two of them.

Jane Weddell Hammann and Gordy left for their Florida condo on Jan. 1, 2020, and planned to return in May. However, six weeks into their vacation, Jane found out that she needed an immediate hip replacement. Everything went well with her surgery, and she did enjoy recuperating in Florida! One of her grandsons graduated from high school and is on his way to Florida Tech.

Gail Stapf Smith has been spending time in Fenwick, Del. at her daughter's home biking, swimming, and enjoying days on the beach. This year has been a difficult one for Gail as her husband and sister passed away but being with her wonderful family is certainly helping. She has thankfully been able to get together each week with the three other ladies in her card group. Her youngest grandson (Neal's son) started at Friends School in the fall, and Amie's oldest is a sophomore in college.

Linda Hammann Wilson enjoyed a wonderful Rhine River cruise last year, but unfortunately, this year's dream trip has been indefinitely postponed thanks to Covid-19. She has been spending time with three of her closest neighbors and has made over 100 wellappreciated masks for people who need them. Like many of us, Linda has not been able to see her children or grandchildren in a while, but she is thankful for FaceTime.

Helen Bergland Reilly spent the summer at her family's home in Maine while Tom spent the time working from home. She had her second successful knee replacement and is eagerly anticipating getting back to Baltimore to work as a personal trainer. Helen's mother died in June at the age of 100. They celebrated her birthday in February, and her family came from all over the country for that special day. Three of their grandchildren are in college—two are seniors at Friends, two at Boys' Latin, and two in Harford County Schools.

As for me, Karen Berger Yeagle, all is as well as can be with this Covid-19 virus. My oldest grandson goes to The College School at the University of Delaware, his sister to Friends School in Wilmington, Del, another grandson to Loyola for middle school, and the other two grandsons to Stoneleigh Elementary and Dumbarton Middle. I hope that everyone stays well, and to reiterate what many of you have said in your emails back to me, be safe, wear your masks, and practice safe distancing!

# 1964

#### Ozzie Johnson Cowan, Class Secretary

Darling class of '64, I am pleased to say nobody has caught the virus so far! Life does roll on  $\ldots$ 

Ellen Wakefield Yenawine and Gardiner are in their lovely home deep in the woods of Vermont, enjoying nature's bounty with all the critters and magnificent mountains. They have hiking trails and their own beach. They are desperately missing all their children and families, but their dog, Ponyo, is thrilled to have them home all the time. Ellen has eight grandchildren with the oldest granddaughter age 17. Most of the family is in Vermont and Massachusetts. Ellen's son Chris and family are still thriving in Switzerland.

Jill Grimmer Zupancic's knee replacement from last year is a huge success. Jill and daughter Meghan have been hiding at home since January! Bill is still working. Sadly, they were not able to get down to their summer house in Ocean Pines this year.

Jane Kommalan Gallagher and Mike have enjoyed their time alone. They make the best of their back porch and enjoy the feral kitties that have adopted them. Sons Michael and Devon are working and check in by FaceTime. Jane was also disappointed not to have been able to visit their house in Linganore, Pa. this summer, but c'est la vie!

Bunny McManus Vedros is still living in Las Vegas, Nev. Bunny and Pat are in a quiet neighborhood and enjoy the great weather. Bunny said they are enjoying taking their life very easy. She enjoys talking to her brother, Pete, and her many friends that they used to travel with.

Lee HigginbothamTurowski and Art are still living in Annapolis—living the "lost" year but enjoying their grandchildren.

Ann Hamilton Birely is so happy she moved to Lynchburg, Va. She lives 10 minutes away from her son, David, and family. Her granddaughter, Kerrington, is the apple of her eye. Ann is all about "Grandmaville"! Her daughter, Laura, is still living and working in Pittsburgh.

Betsy Stewart Gustin and Bill are still in Hiawasee, Ga. Betsy says she has her wonderful garden and is quite content. Betsy is missing the family, but she can Skype.

Carol Gruber Price is still living in the Berkshires, enjoying Lenox, Mass. Carol has not been out much, but she gets to talk to her grandchildren, Jack and Libby, and sees her daughter while wearing a mask. Her daughter, Lauren, has left her Dad's dental practice and opened her own office. Lauren specializes in children's oral healthcare and is on the cutting edge of new research about expanding children's palates. The research is long and involved, but Carol is very proud.

Alison Christie Tucker is happily able to work, but she does not go anywhere else. You all know how Alison loves to travel the globe. Her son, Barrett, is an executive for Charles Schwab in California and her granddaughter, Iliana, is a student at UC Santa Barbara.

Hope Smith Pollard and John are just patiently waiting to be sprung free. They are missing their boys and families. John D. is still in New York and Timothy, thankfully, is still here. His wife, Rebecca, is a teacher at Boys' Latin and teaches a few of my grandsons. Hope and John are sad not to be able to see their granddaughter, Elizabeth, but at least she is in Baltimore. Hope, Jane, Jill, and I are patiently waiting to have a "homegirls" break.

Nancy Wilson Halgren writes that they gave their final traditional Fourth of July party last summer. They were sorry to give it up but this year no one could

have attended anyway. Nancy and Don are loving their 200-year-old home, but it is a lot of work. Daughters Annie and Eleanor are very busy, happy moms. Nancy and Don do a lot of babysitting. Annie and her husband, Jason, moved to a beautiful home overlooking Lake Champlain, Vt. The whole family had a wonderful Christmas there. Nancy and Don went to Ogunquit, Maine for Thanksgiving and said it was magical and charming. Don is still a working attorney with his patent office. Nancy is happy and their lives are filled with joy.

As for moi, Ozzie Johnson Cowan, life moves on faster and faster. We enjoyed last winter in our home in Key Largo and rode out the virus there until late May. We did manage to go on a fabulous trip to South Africa in February. It was amazing, and we are so glad we did it! The kids came down to visit over spring break, and then the world shut down. Joe and I are fine, enjoying Kelly and Jody and families while social distancing, of course! Our oldest grandson, Ryan, started at Johns Hopkins University this fall. Joe and I are so proudanother Blue Jay in the making. Joe's company has never been busier, so work and golf keep him off the streets. I am missing you all and thinking of the "glory days" often. We are sad not to have Betsy Wynne Case, Louise Sharp, Kathy Franklin, Jessie Greenway Ferris, and Susan Finley Stang with us, but we keep them in our hearts. Here's to a happy and healthy future for the planet. Keep those cards, letters, and emails coming in! And don't forget St. Paul's-that's where it all started!

# 1965

#### Holly Martin Hamilos, Class Secretary

Greetings everyone. First, a housekeeping matter. I sent an email to the addresses that I have and I do not have emails for Susan Maguire Spicer, Susan Beale Perry, Beth Lynch Stephenson, Robin Humes or Patty Caples Bennett Greenwell, so I would love to hear from any or all of you with just a response so I can update my file. Now, on with the news.

We have a new grandmother in our midst! Edie Piper Bidwell is celebrating the birth of her granddaughter Piper, who lives in Charlottesville. Edie is going to visit every chance that she gets, and we send congratulations to the family.

I am proud to tell you that we also have a published author in our class. Hope Canon has written a book called *Relationship Physics*, a delightful, fun, and informative book on the relationships that we all enjoy. I urge you to Google Hope to see her impressive bio and to order a copy of the book for yourselves.

Thanks to Louise Cockey for the birthday wishes and for reminding me that it's been a long time since we've all been at SPSG.

So, that is it, my friends. I am still loving life with my partner of 12 years, Jake, and seeing my three grands on a very regular basis. 2020 has been a rough year for everyone, so I urge you to wear that mask and stay safe as we look for brighter horizons. Best wishes to all and send me your email addresses at Hhamilos1@gmail.com!



#### Joeann Jones Fossland, Class Secretary

Wow! What a year—like none we've ever seen! Apparently, the Class of '66 is now in the category that's called elderly, though few of us feel that that







1/ The family of Joeann Jones Fossland '66

2/ Lyn Brooks '66 and her partner, Barb, in NYC to see the Rockettes

3/ Abigail Howard, the granddaughter of Helen Brooks '66, beginning 6th grade at SPSG

word fits. Most of you report that you are staying home (so much for travel during retirement!) and staying safe. Thankfully, everyone with whom I was able to connect reports that they are well. Most of us have retired and are enjoying our version of the good life, scattered all over the country.

So, here is the latest, starting with our first greatgrandmom: Judy Chew Boone! Just before Christmas, Sylvia was born to Judy's granddaughter Laura and Laura's husband, Joe. Judy's son, Travis, is now a grandpop to baby Mason, recently born to Travis's stepson, Trevor, and Trevor's wife, Tiffany. Judy was in Sanibel until early June thanks to the virus. Her granddaughter Issy, a star lacrosse player, graduated with all honors from Kent School in Chestertown. She is now a freshman at Severn High School.

Sandy Bond Brown and husband Greg are still (33 years!) in Greenville, S.C. living the good life with 12 cats, two turtles, and two horses. Sandy says they spend time taking care of their granddaughter, Victoria, while her parents are working hard in medicine. During the pandemic, she has gotten a visit from the Kentucky kids but not from the North Carolina crew.

Michelle Kupiec Kempkse says, "We are taking it one day at a time and are doing our best to stay positive." She retired last November from her state job after being there for nearly 10 years and loves retirement. She and Al, who is also retired, live in Phoenix, Md. She is still doing landscape design, especially at her home. She says, "We really should downsize, but we just love the privacy and the beauty of nature that surrounds us."

Nancy McCormick Odette sends love to all. She says, "We are trying to stay safe and healthy. Larry and I bike every day on the rail trail behind our house—14 miles up and back from Monkton. I swim laps three days a week with my waterproof iPod at Padonia Swim Club. It's my new pleasure. We are enjoying our downsized house and still have boxes to go through and treasures to dispose of. Our kids are in Utah and California and have no interest in our collections. I hope everyone stays safe from this virus."

Libby Maxwell Houserman and her husband, Howie, are still living in Sammarnish, Wash. Her two girls are doing great and her grandsons are in New Mexico.

Candace Gifford Bonney loves living in the mountains in Asheville, N.C. She says, "Just being alive is apparently good news!" She is still painting and writing another book called *Fearless Hearts Don't Get the Blues.* You can catch up with her on Facebook. Helen Brooks reports feeling great—four years clear from cancer! She says, "My grands are wonderful and growing into beautiful, loving people whom I adore. Hugh is 17, Kolby is 14, Abigail is 13, CJ is 7, and Jax is 6. I am very blessed in this very difficult time. Abigail is in sixth grade at SPSG. They are back to school on a very abbreviated and different schedule, but at least they're back!"

Lyn Brooks is spending her time going back and forth between home and her beach house. She says, "Hope everyone is staying healthy and dodging the virus. It has certainly changed how we live and likely will continue to do so for a while. Barb and I are doing well and staying very safe. We are both blessed with good health."

Sargie Marquess Woodward reports it has been a crazy, extremely tough year. Her husband, Joe, had a heart attack in February and passed away. She says, "I have had the support of family and close friends who have been very helpful. Our German shepherd, Ebby, gives me lots of comfort and protection. I've been doing lots of decluttering, gardening, and walking. I had hoped to be able to go away, but due to the coronavirus, that hasn't been possible."

Betsy Hammann Schwindt and her husband, Bill, built a house this year in Tennessee and are now happily settled. She says, "Because we had the intent to downsize, we are now left with a garage full of things that no longer fit in the house. With all the decisions that go with building, keeping track of the process, packing and unpacking, life has been very busy. We are looking forward to celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary with family."

Susan Williams Cooper says, "Life certainly has gotten weird but we're surviving. My daughter, Kate, lives next door and is a big bully about keeping me safe from possible Covid-19 exposure. Her store in Berkeley Springs, W.V. is doing well despite what's going on. I haven't been back to Baltimore since February when I was there to trade in my beloved 2005 CRV for a 2017 Tiguan that is fancy. I doubt I'll ever figure out all the bells and whistles, but I find it quite amusing that you start it by pushing a button."

Susan Kessler Gordon is still working as a therapist for Villa Maria of Frederick County serving Medicaid clients. She is also at work on a novel set in the Cheat watershed in West Virginia in the early 1900s. She says, "I have had the joy to perform excerpts in person and on Zoom. My daughter, Miriam, works as a paralegal for a class action law firm in San Francisco, Calif. She is married to a great guy, a scientist for Berkeley Labs. When I retire, I will move out to be close to them and will miss my trips to the West Virginia mountains."

Paula Varga Nyitrai is feeling great after a hip operation last year. She still has her hands full working with rentals. She has been married for 53 years and is grateful to have her son living just a mile away.

Elise Boyce lives in Mt. Washington. She trains horses at Helmore Farm and is teaching ESOL to adult immigrants for CCBC. Elise has had a couple of short stories published and is working on several screenplays. "I have seven grandchildren! My son, Graham, is busy with three companies and has five kids." Her daughter. April, is director of development for Orchkids, an organization that is connected to the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra and brings musical instruction to underprivileged children. April has two children. Elise says, "I never thought that having grandchildren would be so much fun! Who knew?" Classmates about whom I have second-hand news include Sue Warren, who is retired and living in Palm Harbor, Fla. Martha Hatch is still in Colorado, and Meg Hooker Hanssen is in Sanibel, Fla. As for me. Joeann Jones Fossland, life on our five acres north of Tucson, Az. is idyllic. My husband, Bub, and I play tennis every morning and enjoy our pool. My two kids and five grandkids live nearby. Bub's daughter and two kids are in Connecticut and visit yearly. Dawn graduated from nursing school this year, and her two 18 year olds graduated from high school. I am still providing life coaching to a handful of clients and began travelwriting last year at www.JoeannsView.com. Life is good! Love to all!

## 1967

Carol Remington Foglesong, Class Secretary No news submitted.

## 1968

#### Mary Colt Creighton Navins, Class Secretary

I would like to thank everyone who shared their news and thoughts with all of us this year. What a year it has been with the pandemic and several ladies turning the golden age of seventy! Beth Josephs Kelly retired a year ago but was recruited back to work six months later by PGE, a large electricity provider. Her eldest son and family were sheltering in place with her earlier in the year, and her youngest son and wife had a baby, so they are having a great deal of bonding time.

Nora Locke May reports that the real estate business has remained steady during this crazy time, but she was able to take a vacation to New Hampshire with her daughter, Grier, where they did some hiking!

Lyn Ames Steuart is still working part-time, making postpartum home visits for moms and their newborns via phone calls and telehealth. She is also keeping busy writing a blog titled "The Story of Lyn" and is enjoying lots of outdoor activities.

Robbin Sadler Dungey and her husband, Kevin, were in California in March visiting family when the pandemic started, so they immediately flew home. The family took a trip to Rehoboth Beach in July, and it was just what they needed!

Peggy Wise Clark is thankful she was able to spend time in Virginia Beach with her son and grandchildren. Last January, all the Wise siblings had a reunion at her house before everything stopped!

Lee Grady Rashkind returned from Tucson in February to take care of her granddaughter and help with her virtual schooling. She is unsure when they will be back in Tucson.

Annie Forbes Taylor lives in Massachusetts and retired four years ago from GE Aircraft Engines. She and Jim completed a new kitchen addition, and they also recently became grandparents!

Leslie Hoffman Fales is keeping busy in her garden and gets to Kennett Square, Pa. to visit her four grandchildren as often as possible.

Ginny Weise Clark has had a busy year babysitting the grandchildren, sewing masks for her daughter in Florida, and lamenting a canceled river boat cruise to Venice. She also rebuilt a small shed and squeezed in a trip to Delaware!

Mary Dudley Obrecht checks in saying "no news is good news" at our age and has enjoyed reading everyone's news online.

Kathy Woodward Holloway has four grandchildren, with one on the way and five dogs. She and Mike do a lot of gardening.

Kathy Johnson left Miami in July and is now living in Virginia, enjoying going to the various museums in Washington, D.C. She has worked with homeless children for 15 years, but the shelters are shut down, and so classes are suspended.

As for me, Mary Colt Creighton Navins, I retired from Cambridge Trust last January after thirty-one years. I was just getting used to retirement when everything closed in March, so here I am in Plymouth, Mass. adjusting to a new lifestyle. Peter and I have finally been able to see our five grandchildren recently which has brought us great joy. Stay well and wear your masks.

## 1969

Janet Josephs Wang, Class Secretary

No news submitted.

## 1970

#### Linda Chandlee, Class Secretary

Our 50th reunion was quite different from what we had planned, but it was good to gather remotely. We owe Liz Holland and Kitty Kemp Barnes a big debt of gratitude for all their work on our Zoom reunion.

Jill Creighton MacNamara writes, "It was so fun to catch up with everyone on Zoom. Thank you so

much, Liz Holland, for making that possible. I'm still monogramming and sewing away, but the big event this year has been our move from our home of 38 years to a condo not far from where we lived. My best friend from college lives across the hall! What is great, though, is that my youngest daughter and her family moved into the house. It was built in 1840, and it was scary to see what we had lived with behind the walls. Like everyone else, we're making it through this crazy time and thankfully staying healthy!"

Peggy McDorman McKisson writes, "I finished all my cancer treatments at the end of January and was declared cancer-free. Great, happy news. Since mid-March, John and I have been following the CDC guidelines as John is a transplant patient and on immunosuppressive meds. I have been enjoying my home and yard and visiting with a small group of girlfriends. Our two miniature dachshunds are great company and keep us entertained. My daughter, Helen, drove down from Michigan and spent a week with us. My son, Michael, lives in the area and we had a wonderful week together. I retired in 2016 and am thoroughly enjoying it."

Caroline Taylor Bright says, "I'm keeping busy doing childcare and helping Jay with his business. I thought I had retired but find myself working seven days a week. All nine of our grandchildren live out of state, so I babysit a wonderful two year old who will soon have a newborn brother. I loved reading lots of good books during the guarantine."

Gussie Zapffe Thompson, who was a rock star and learned to use Zoom so she could be with us remotely, writes, "We lost my sister, Carlotta Zapffe Tutor '67, to cancer this June. My family's hearts are broken! In July I had an accident with my car and broke my foot and a clavicle. I am healing slowly at this date. In June I finally moved back into my renovated house after living for five months in a trailer while the work was being done. Coronavirus has meant that I hardly ever go out of my new home. Luckily, I have great friends helping me care for my horses while my injuries heal. Looking forward to when things get back to normal. I miss my high school buddies and wish the best for all!"

Susan McDorman sent this "I was hoping to get up to my sister's summer house on Squirrel Island, Maine, but that would have required a mandatory two-week quarantine which just didn't work. I was Nana-camp for Betty this past summer since her camp was cancelled. Finding things that are fun to do other than going to the pool was tough. She did, however, have a great week at pony camp in early July. So disappointed to not be planning trips or eating in restaurants. Aren't we supposed to be having fun at this point in our lives?"

Kitty Kemp Barnes writes, "I moved into my forever home in Towson in May. When the pandemic is over (or at least under control), I'm looking forward to renewing friendships with classmates in the area."

As for me, Linda Chandlee, I'm learning to live with being mostly at home. It's good I love to read! Fortunately, I have a big yard to putz around in and two dogs to keep me company. I can get together occasionally with friends outside in yards or on decks, keeping socially distanced, for a hint of a normal life. That's all from the Class of '70. We are all sure hoping that we can get together in person in 2021. Wear your masks and stay safe!



#### Lee Spencer, Class Secretary

Treena Hammond Bolton reports, "Not much has changed in my life. I've been busy sewing masks

for friends and family. With the pandemic stopping in-person teaching this past spring, I've been trying to figure out how to teach virtually. I have two grandchildren, Madeline (9) and Henry (6). Greg and I are keeping busy with a lot of honey-do list items. We try to get to the beach house when possible."

Chris Gliss Bowers states, "I have no news at all regarding 'new jobs, promotions, retirements, relocations, babies, weddings, or travel.' That leaves 1) Hobbies: Lots of time for quilting during quarantine. 2) Alumnae networking: I don't think of my friendships with classmates as 'networking,' but I am really enjoying my friendships with some of the Class of '71! I don't know how I'd be getting through this without my friends."

Cynthia Cook Barlow comments, "I published a couple of books last year: the best-selling *Resilience: It's NOT about Bouncing Back*, a business book, and *Four Fridays*, a memoir published in May. That's about it, because with the pandemic, I'm basically isolating on an island, tending gardens, and learning guitar."

Leigh Cochrane comments, "Ron and I, thankfully, haven't killed each other yet during the pandemic. He keeps me laughing, so I must be crazy! Majoring in geology at Towson University is a blast and challenging. Online learning with virtual labs is deadly for this old lady, plus I miss the students in and out of class. Ron and I attended my lab partner's wedding, and I was truly honored to be one of a few students invited. My latest hobby is applying to Covid-19 clinical trials. You get top-notch medical care, and it's good for mankind. It will be my second trial. Hope to see you at our 50th!"

Molly Darrell writes, "I have continued caregiving at Blakehurst (a retirement community in Towson) 65 hours a week. Fortunately, I'm considered essential, so I still have a job! The main difference I experienced due to the pandemic is that I have been able to commute by bicycle due to the lower traffic volume. I come across SPSG classmates, parents, and teachers. Recently, I was able to celebrate Nancy Stockbridge Hendrick's mother's 100th birthday with the family!"

Eleanor Durham Waickwicz states, "This past year saw the cancellation of several cruises, golf vacations, and trips to Colorado to visit my granddaughter. My mother moved in with us in fall 2019, and I became the primary caregiver until her death this May. After her passing, I was able to reestablish my golf game and am playing in a league with my husband. I'm also working in the garden, walking, reading, and cooking/baking to keep the days busy. Looking forward to 2021 because we've planned cruises and trips!"

Ellen Granruth Mendez-Penate writes from her home in Vero Beach, Fla., "I thought I would return to our apartment in Manhattan in the summer and that my husband, an international corporate lawyer, would be back at his office! But, alas, this pernicious virus keeps us at bay from life as we once knew it! We are all dealing with the angst of separation from those we love and miss dearly. Our oldest daughter, Margo, is in San Francisco, and our youngest, Emily, and her family live in Winnetka, III. with the delight of our lives, our first grandchild, Caroline!"

Holly Hooper Leachman says all is well with the family. "Dealing with Covid has been interesting. Jack and I and our daughter, Tyler, who is a teacher, have been in Bethany Beach since March. She conducted distance learning for her students from there. My boys, Penn and Jamie, have luckily been able to stay busy with their jobs. We have sold our existing beach house and will be building a new house on the lots next door, so I will be kept busy. I retired from my administrative role with Triple Threat Lacrosse Camp and have been enjoying spending more time with our grandchildren."











- 1/ 1970 50th zoom reunion, from left to right, top to bottom: Linda Chandlee, Liz Holland, Barbara Craggs Braun, Kitty Kemp Barnes, Francie Van Ness, Jill Creighton McNamara, Susan McDorman, Ann Duer Myers, Polly Hansen Cloude, Suzanne Dunham Fong, Victoria Crenson, Mary Hobbs Hanson, Kim Proctor Appich, Nancy Grymes Fields, Lynn Callahan Casey, Paula Talbert Johnson, Gussie Zapffe Thompson
- 2/ Paige Wagers Smith '71 with son
- 3/ Ellen Granruth Mendez-Penate '71 with her husband and granddaughter, Caroline
- 4/ Debi Smith Jaynes '72
- 5/ Kathy Slack '73 with daughter Renee

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- 6/ Anna, granddaughter of Carol Lee Nickerson Griffin '73
- 7/ Husband Jack and grandsons Luke (6), Palmer (4), and Jackson (9) with Holly Hooper Leachman '71
- 8/ Jay Harrington, son of Ford & Allison Harrington, and first grandson of Meredith Sargeant Harrington '71
- 9/ Letitia Sexton Yensho '72 with her family
- 10/ Brynlee and Hadley, granddaughters of Carol Lee Nickerson Griffin '73
- 11/ Victoria Schwaner '04, the daughter of Rebel Boykin '73, and Adam T. Wilbanks '04 on their wedding day, May 23, 2020





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12/ Kathy Slack '73 with partner, Paul

13/ Christina Zapffe Anderson '73 and family in Minnesota this past summer
14/ The family of Susan Boyce Cole '75 featuring her new granddaughter, Paisley
15/ Louisa Lothrop Affleck '72 at the wedding of her daughter, Allison, May 2019
16/ Fish rug made by Claire Stieff Hussey '73



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17-19/ Class of 1975 45th zoom reunion in May



Nancy Lalley Rueckert writes, "I still love living in Colorado but miss the volunteering, socializing, and other activities I was involved in before Covid, as well as traveling. I really miss seeing my kids and grandkids. I'm sure most of us are in the same boat. I try to stay busy gardening, walking, doing various fabric arts, taking pictures, and Zooming with friends and family. Hope all of you and your loved ones are healthy and safe."

Jane Lott is happily retired as of January 2020 from The Art Gallery of Ontario, where she was coordinator of children and family programming. She writes, "I retired just in time to enjoy our first grandchild born June 19, 2019. We had two lovely (and lucky) months as grandparents in 2020 before the world changed. They live in Copenhagen, Denmark, so we look forward to lots of travel again one day to that beautiful city. In the meantime, summer at the cottage by a Canadian lake was peaceful. I have time to pursue my own creative activities, and the cottage is a wonderful escape from Toronto, where we live. Happy these days to be a Canadian!"

Anne Lundvall Cornell comments, "Chuck and I continue our journey at Far Out Lane with me still doing landscape design, and Chuck still teaching about and looking for bugs. The animals we have left are doing well considering that they are all 16 years old. Life is good in the country. Stay safe everyone!" Sally Lee Norris McCabe states, "Neil and I are fine and have been very careful during this pandemic. It has given me time to do a major overhaul on my gardens which gave me a major case of poison ivy. I also cleaned out every drawer and closet in my house. My business is going strong, and I love helping people. My kids are happy and well, as is Neil."

Lucy Palmer DiLeo reports, "This year has been my first year of retirement, and I'm loving it. We completed the construction on our future house in the mountains of western North Carolina as the pandemic began. We are hoping to move up there in a few years or sooner or if we can sell my family's grand piano. In the meantime, we plan to travel back and forth between Florida and North Carolina, spending several weeks at a time since we cannot travel anywhere else. During the pandemic we adopted a rescue dog–a Brittany Spaniel who has been a joy during the time at home."

Merrie Sargeant Harrington writes, "Wow to 2020! The changes, the anger, the resentment, the haves-and-have-nots, rioting, toppling monuments, indifference. Fortunately, until the election, my life revolved around travel, but mainly around getting to visit my sweet 1-year-old grandson, Jay. He had a full set of teeth by five months, was walking at 11 months, and now runs without falling at 14 months. No talking yet, but he laughs with joy at himself, loves to swim in Grandma Patti's pool, and is an avid reader to himself. He likes lacrosse, building blocks, and mowing the lawn. We

fled NYC for 82 days to the other grandparents in Greenwich before finding a rental in Rye. Nanny keeps Jay busy at Playland Park. Having had only one child, now having a grandson has brought me complete happiness. He is perfect in every way."

Nancy Stockbridge Hendrick comments, "We retired and moved to a new home in Ocean View, Del. I'm loving my freedom and learning the joys of being an Eastern Shore girl. I've traded computers, deadlines, and juggling tasks for kayaking, biking, pickleball, and more. I continue to sail on the Chesapeake and look for all occasions to be on the water. My mom turned 100 on July 7, 2020, and we enjoyed celebrating with her even while she was in quarantine. Molly Darrell joined us. It was great to see her smiling face."

Jody Strutt Armstrong writes, "John and I are doing very well, I am grateful to say! I was working as an R.N. in a wonderful family practice when this pandemic struck. The decision to shelter in place was difficult, but altogether clear–I am 66 and have had six operations in as many years on my eyes. My husband retired three years ago. He did have quadruple bypass surgery last year but is fine now. Since the pandemic, we have had a chance to enjoy our home (which we bought 40 years ago in April) and each other–our 43rd anniversary was in October! No grandchildren yet, but our sons are thriving! Love and greetings to all our classmates and your families!" Paige Wagers Smith comments, "I still reside in McLean, Va., where I have two challenging and interesting volunteer jobs. I am the McLean Racquet Club Team tennis coordinator for ladies' competitive play with other clubs in Maryland, D.C., and Virginia. I am also president of the Board of Directors for a 502-unit condominium complex, and I am currently supervising a \$3.4M repair project. It's very challenging to make sure contractors follow procedure specifications and use products chosen by the engineer and Board. I spend summers in Bethany Beach, Del., at Sea Colony."

Julie Wright reports, "Like everyone else, I am wading through this Covid-19 mess trying to keep my business afloat. I am still involved with horses: I run a very active boarding and lesson barn and coach all ages and levels, including teams from Towson University, Johns Hopkins, and another local university. After an abrupt end to spring 2020, hopefully we will be competing again in 2021. Until then, we will continue to introduce kids to riding through our inner-city program and local students. Personally, I have spent 2020 having two knee replacements, not fun but a necessity after years in the saddle and sports."

Elaine Young Bundy notes, "Mark and I continue to work. I teach full-time at the University of Maryland in the graduate school, and I also see patients (virtually) in an outpatient office as a part-time nurse practitioner during the Covid-19 pandemic. I still play the cello, but our Susquehanna Symphony is not doing full concerts during these times. We are blessed with our family and 11 grandchildren who are all doing well. Two of our grandkids have already graduated from high school! I miss all my St. Paul's classmates and hope that everyone is well during these challenging and unprecedented times!"

As for me, Lee Spencer, I am still teaching online at ASU. Marc just retired. We bought a beautiful, one-level house in Phoenix. Chase is slogging through ASU toward an art degree. He lives with us. All of us are well and happy!

# 1972

#### Louisa Lothrop Affleck, Class Secretary

Letitia Sexton Yensho wrote that she moved to Virginia in 1995 with her husband and two daughters. Her daughter Victoria lives nearby with three children. Her other daughter, Julianna, lives in Chattanooga where she is engaged. She works as a mental health counselor, assistant volleyball coach, and sports psychologist at UT in Chattanooga. Letitia has a beautiful mountain view from her home and enjoys spending time with her grandchildren and helping at her church. Her husband Ed works in design/build as a residential contractor.

Debi Smith Jaynes wrote that she continues to live in Ocala, Fla., where she is involved with horse shows, parades, and educating people about horses. She is on the board as treasurer of AERC, Athletes for Equity Resource Center, which is a group helping both sides of Safe Sport issues. She has even been on a national radio show discussing Safe Sport. Richard has been involved with nonprofit community activities. As always, she has been trying to rescue both dogs and humans who need a helping hand. She loves gardening and hopes to resume her involvement with orchid shows.

Lin Dischinger Waters wrote that both of her children, Alison Waters Hoffberg '03 and Kirby, live nearby in Baltimore. She has a precious granddaughter who is a little over a year old. She and Bert spend a lot of time hiking with their Airedale, Waylon.

Lynn Garlick wrote that she has been a longtime resident of Taos, N.M., where she has a business

making retablos. They are heartfelt paintings of saints, angels, and blessings. She hand carves and paints her original designs. You can find them at www. garlickretablos.com. Lynn has been enjoying staying at home since Covid-19 hit, gardening, and painting landscapes and portraits. Her son lives nearby and recently became engaged. She sees him often for a glass of wine and a good talk.

Pam Schutz Mann wrote that she is happily married to John and has three fantastic stepdaughters and four precious grandchildren. She is passionate about helping women and families around the world receive assistance and healthcare. She and John were able to travel to Tanzania with JHPIEGO, an affiliate of Johns Hopkins, to witness work with HIV, cervical cancer, and childbirth. It was a life-changing experience. They had a change of pace when they took a safari, too. Pam is very involved with non-profit board work, which she reported is on Zoom these days. She divides her time between Richmond, Ocean City, and Naples. She enjoys golf and yoga.

Anne Carter Jacobson has been living in Columbia, Mo., for 23 years. She and Robb enjoy biking the trails on the Missouri River, kayaking the rivers in the Ozarks, and hiking the conservation lands around Columbia. She is active with environmental groups and loves her garden. Her daughter, Sarah, lives in Brooklyn, N.Y., and is working on her doctorate in cognitive and comparative psychology. She has been studying elephants in Thailand. Her son, Alex, has been splitting his time working as a raft guide on the Yampa and Green Rivers in Utah and as a field member for a wilderness therapy camp. She and Robb had a wonderful five-day float trip with Alex this past year.

Kendall Shackelford Allen wrote that she felt blessed and challenged during these unprecedented times. She expressed gratitude for her health and for all frontline workers. Her daughter, Jamie, graduated from NYU Tisch in film and TV production last year. She returned home in March from NYC and is working remotely. Steve, an attorney, is working from home too. Their dog, Misty, is very happy for all the companionship. Kendall has been Zooming to keep up with family and friends. She also plays golf and bridge.

Betsy Hewitt Schreitmueller wrote that she planned to move in August from her Annapolis home of 28 years. She had help from Sally Norris McCabe '71 with sorting her trash and treasure.

Molly Chittenden Helfet wrote from NYC that she and David are surviving the Covid-19 situation. Her son, AJ, works in Los Angeles, where he writes for TV. Her daughter, Kelly, lives in Delray Beach, where she works as an LSW specializing in addiction. For the past few years, Molly has been paddling on the Empire Dragon Boat Team. The team raises money for cancer research and awareness about pollution and water quality of Flushing Bay, N.Y. The team was scheduled to compete in France in the summer; however, the race was cancelled due to Covid-19.

Joan McDorman Thomas wrote that she and Richard have been married for 42 years. They spent most of the summer in Squirrel Island, Maine. Her oldest son, Rich, visited with his wife and two year old. They are expecting their second child in October. Their middle son, Stuart, his wife, and their 4-year-old twins also joined them. Their youngest son, Alex, was married in Chevy Chase in a small family wedding in August after Covid-19 altered their initial wedding plans.

Betsy Jones Herrmann wrote that Wes is retired now. They enjoy visiting with their amazing and resilient two daughters and 3-year-old granddaughter. They have a "Victory Garden" on their farm. Betsy continues to paint, ride, simplify, and enjoy life.

Lili Dale Gerrard is married to Lew and has lived in Winston-Salem for many years. She has two dogs, one

of which is a new rescue who needs the help of a dog whisperer. She has been working in administration for a real estate company and loves the youthful energy there. She was disappointed to miss a planned trip to Wimbledon this year.

Francie Kennedy Schneider wrote from Honolulu, where she has lived for many years. She has visited Baltimore, where her mother has been living at Blakehurst. Francie has been assisting two friends in opening and managing a physical therapy clinic for the past six years after retiring from nursing and law. Her daughter lives in NYC, and her son lives in LA. Francie was disappointed to miss a trip to Normandy to see where her father fought in World War II.

Elsie Zapffe Verdeja lives in Albuquerque, where she owns and runs Forever Green, an interiorscaping business. She works in the business with three of her children. Her youngest works as an engineer with a multinational aerospace software company. She has been spending the summer in northern Minnesota, where she has gone since childhood. All of her children stayed there together during part of Covid-19.

We were saddened to learn of the loss of Wendy Schnering Meehan in March. She died in New Jersey, where she had been living for many years.

Tom and I, Louisa Lothrop Affleck, have retired to Nantucket in the summers and plan to remain in Atlanta for the remainder of the year. Our daughters live nearby. Allison was married last year to our wonderful son-in-law. She has very successfully taken over Tom's law practice. Sarah just bought a new home and works in sales for Salesforce. I have been involved with professional activities, volunteering with my church on the Vestry, and volunteering with the Food Bank. We look forward to traveling and going out to restaurants in 2021.

The class of 1972 is looking forward to gathering at our 50th reunion in 2022!

# 1973

#### Susan Ohrenschall Baxter, Class Secretary

Rebel Boykin's daughter, Tory Schwaner '04, married Adam Willbanks '04 at a socially distanced ceremony on Gibson Island this past May. The newlyweds are back in Oklahoma working remotely. Rebel's son, Bubba, has moved to Washington to be with his girlfriend. They went RV-ing around the Grand Canyon this summer. Rebel is back to work using her nursing skills at an eye surgery center. She is missing normal life.

Liz Wright shared, "Last year seems like such a different time. It seems weird to remember going on a lovely vacation, dining out, and visiting museums. Charlie and I drove up to New England and enjoyed Newport, Boston, and Portsmouth in fall 2019. We were even lucky enough to get to Tucson in March, but our vacation was cut short when things started getting wonky with Covid-19. All our parents, kids and grandkids are doing well. I feel blessed to live near a rail trail, as my current social life seems to revolve around walking on it with friends."

Melanie Morris Long, one of our class nurses, wrote, "My news is all about tracking Covid-19 to prevent spread while we are hoping for a vaccine. I went to OC this past summer just to unplug for a few weeks. Otherwise, I am Zooming with grandsons Mikey and Conner and staying home! Mellie is my 'grandma name.' I hope you all stay well and can get hugs from loved ones soon!"

Claire Stieff Hussey sent, "Not much to report during the pandemic, but I have been busy cooking, biking, walking, and swimming with Charlotte, my granddaughter (5), and making hooked rugs for consignment orders. That's about it from Little Rhody." Ann (Boo) Leutritz Blucher comments, "I have been so busy with the low rates/mortgage business that I haven't been doing much besides working and hanging out with my husband. Timmy is officially retired and holding down the fort at home. The big news is the addition of our fifth grandchild this past April, Joseph Whitaker Ariosa. He is a big chunk with a cute belly laugh and is just adorable. Ellie, age 2-and-a-half, is keeping him in check and sharing well. The other three grandkids, Tommy (10), Arden (7), and Leighton (5), are growing like weeds, playing sports, and attending Calvert School. Jackie Blucher Ariosa '05, Adam, Brin Blucher Zink '01, and Tom all live in Timonium, so we are very lucky to have everyone close by."

Our miracle patient Carol Lee Nickerson Griffin writes, "I'm still healing from multiple surgeries after a hysterectomy that kept me at Mercy Hospital for 77 days (from November 4, 2019 to January 20, 2020), and look forward to another related surgery in November of 2020 to reverse the colostomy I had LAST November. I know God will give me strength to get through it. Art and I spent six weeks in Maine and New Hampshire in September and October of 2019."

The interior designer of our class, Paddy Dugan, shares, "I'm staying busy and working on several projects right now: a large kitchen, master bath, and powder room renovation in a beautiful home in Baltimore County; another bath renovation downtown; and some work for continuing clients on refreshing and updating their living room, master bedroom—well, all rooms, really. It's amazing what a little decluttering, rearranging, and fresh paint will do!"

Our classmate with the "green thumb," Molly Powell Finney, responded, "All is good for me and Mac on Hunting Ridge Farm, where we've been for five years! We love the freedom of renting. Mac is still doing photography for WBAL-TV, and I'm still below deep in the dirt at Radebaugh Greenhouses. Surprisingly, the greenhouse was a busy place this spring. Everyone was stuck at home, so they were working hard in their yards! Miss all my St. Paul's buds!"

Polly Helms Crosby states, "I moved into a condominium in May's Chapel in February 2020. I'm slowly feeling comfortable in my new surroundings. Since the pandemic began, I've been hibernating at home. I enjoy my time walking, exercising, completing all kinds of puzzles, and seeing friends and family on FaceTime and Zoom. I'm currently not working. Who knows what the future shall bring?"

Chris Zapffe Anderson's family got together over the summer in Minnesota despite Covid-19. Her sad news is that her sister Carlotta Zapffe Tutor '67 passed away on June 21, after a year's valiant fight with esophageal cancer. Her celebration of life is postponed until 2021 due to the virus. Chris is still working at Montana State University, and comments, "I'm now into my 21st year of teaching photography, along with writing and editing books for Routledge on alternative process photography—seven to date."

Kathy Slack still lives in the great state of Maine and loves it! She is winding down her voice teaching, so her current load consists of just a few one-on-one students. She also sings in a women's ensemble called The Showerheads. Her most recent theater project was co-directing and acting in an online play (one of the first to be produced over the "Information Highway") called "10 Ways to Survive in Quarantine," a comic, lighthearted look at our Covid-19 challenges. After this project, she began working on writing a solo show with the help of a director from NYC. She is also part of a poetry group that will be publishing its first poetry anthology next year. Kathy shares a lot of good times with her partner, Paul, and her dog, Foo, and has been blessed with a visit from her daughter, Renee, who is a doctoral candidate in child psychology at Tulane University in New Orleans.

As for me, Susan Ohrenschall Baxter, I am so proud of my daughter, Carey, who lives in LA. She is an optical engineer for Jet Propulsion Laboratory. As Covid-19 unfolded, she was asked to work as project manager on a ventilator project. In 37 days, these "rocket scientists" designed a ventilator specific to Covid-19 using a seventh of the parts for a regular ventilator and at a fraction of the cost. She is shipping prototypes all over the world and answering questions about their manufacturer. These ventilators are now being made worldwide and will save lives. My life is much more ordinary. I love working in my garden and give thanks for living in a beautiful place. I volunteer at the Hereford Food Bank, walk on the NCR trails with Miles, swim and wade in the clear Gunpowder, attend real and YouTube church at Immanuel Parish in Glencoe where I serve on the Vestry, root for our Orioles, spend time with family and friends, and pray for the future of our country. Hugs and blessings to everyone in our class. Stay

Hugs and blessings to everyone in our class. Stay healthy!

# 1974

#### Karen Whitehorne Babcock, Class Secretary

Carol Lothrop Broadbent comments, "The pandemic has changed our lives as well as everyone else's. However, we are all safe and sound with social distancing and mask-wearing. The cancellation of our travel plans and my hip replacement at the end of February kept us home. We are so blessed to have space in our house for Brian, my husband of 41 years, to work from home. Amy and her family are expecting their third child in early December. It is a boy this time! Jennifer has survived working from home in her small apartment in NYC. Julie and Keith will return from Germany after three years in the army and will be stationed at Fort Campbell on the Kentucky and Tennessee border. Hope all is well with everyone."

Amey Rulon-Miller Upton writes, "Greetings from Michigan. Covid-19 hit when we were finally just landing via plane in Utah to ski in early March. We never made it to the slopes! Fred's dad turned 96 years young, and his mom is a mere 91 years. We are loving having them still with us. Fred is in another campaign season, and I'm still working as director of adult education at a large Presbyterian church. Must have been all those chapel talks from Mrs. Wagley! Who would've guessed we'd be quarantining in 2020?"

Sandy Williams notes, "What a year! Dana finished his term as the president of the Maryland State Bar Association in June. It was a challenging tenure because lawyers across the state were learning how to practice remotely, which was complicated by the fact that the courts were all but closed. Sarah came up from D.C. to stay with us in March for several weeks as she continued working remotely. Douglas and Bridgette live a quarter of a mile away and both have been working remotely. Since we are our own 'quaranteam,' we have had a lot of family meals. I have tried to keep busy but am astounded that my level of productivity was so low! I hope you are all well. Best to the SPSG class of '74." (Sadly, we lost our classmate Sandy on November 9, 2020. Our prayers are with her family.)

Carol Brukiewa Currotto states "Gene and I are back in the North Country! We moved to Eastman in Grantham, N.H., in July and are loving every moment of living in the woods in a sustainably managed lake community. As soon as we are clear of this crazy virus, dear classmates, you are welcome for a visit to Loon Drive. Karen Whitehorne Babcock and I are only a few hours' drive apart now, and a day's drive to woodland paradise from Baltimore is easy. Most of our family is still in Baltimore, and one of our children lives not too far away in Burlington, Vt. Moving slowed down my work life a bit, but I still have a few contracts to finish up in 2021. This is what I call work-life balance—work about 10% and then do what I've been putting off for 40 years with the rest of my time! I plan to play with fabric, play music, hike (I finished an 18-mile section hike of the Appalachian Trail in 2018), kayak, and crosscountry ski."

As for me, Karen Whitehorn Babcock, I'm doing ok. I haven't seen my kids or grandson since February due to Covid-19. We managed to fit in a cruise, a visit to Jon's mom in Florida, and the annual Anguilla trip. We scooted back home just under the wire before everything was shut down. I dealt with a shattered ankle in July and was in a boot until the end of September. Now I'm free!

# 1975

#### Lindy Britt Coltharp, Class Secretary

The class of 1975 celebrated our 45th reunion this past spring in the modern Covid-19 style: with a Zoom call! It was great to see and hear from so many classmates from near and far: Lynne Menefee, Laura Mills Gifford, Susan Boyce Cole, Anne King Wilson, Margie Hopkins, Anne Patterson, Lindsay Riehl Gallagher, Bonnie Barnhart Kramer, Sheryl Greene Leverett, DeeDee Doeller Cooper. Laura Ness Peffers, Martha Murray, Karinne Brunson Crossland, and Padgie Obrecht Kimmick weren't able to join the Zoom call but did check in with their news. There was more news than I have time to share in detail, but here are some of the highlights with retirements, weddings, graduations:

Susan Boyce Cole's daughter Courtney '07 welcomed a daughter, Paisley, this past spring, a fine sister for Michael.

Sheryl Greene Leverett's daughter, Patrice, was married on Saturday, Aug. 15. Sons William and Anthony are busy pursuing college degrees and traveling.

Anne Patterson is busy and happy in Maine with her dogs and birds; she and Laura Mills Gifford share that passion, and they were all introduced during the meeting!

Laura Mills Gifford is enjoying retirement from St. Paul's with her husband and menagerie.

Lynne Menefee is still creating graphic design and illustration and looking forward to the return of live theatre so she can get back to reviewing and set design.

Anne King Wilson is still a busy architect in New Hampshire. She and her husband are enjoying the successful launching of their two daughters' academics and careers.

Martha Murray is happy in Easton, Md., as a business manager for a fabulous home furnishings store, Bountiful.

Margie Hopkins is holding down the family fort in Baltimore.

Lindsay Riehl Gallagher and her husband are finally empty nesters in Baltimore, with all six kids launched! DeeDee Doeller Cooper is still working as a financial

advisor in Baltimore and living in Jarrettsville with her husband, having launched their two kids.

Bonnie Barnhart Kramer is still happily living in Colorado with her husband and has tackled some big home remodeling.

Padgie Obrecht Kimmick is also in Colorado and is busy with animal rescue and fostering.

Laura Ness Peffers is still happy out in the country outside of Baltimore with her husband.

As for me, Lindy Britt Colthrop, my son Connor is engaged, and the wedding has been moved to October 2021. My daughter, Louise, is out in Denver, Colo., working for the space division of Lockheed Martin. I'm still happily residing on Kent Island and active in our local farmers' market with a successful soup and salad business.



#### Dorrie Brooks Laufman, Class Secretary

Laurie Sheehan Crawford says, "All is well with Dan and me. We have been spending a lot of wonderful time with our four grandchildren, as well as at our home-away-from-home in Bethany Beach. Sadly, our daughter, Lauren, had to postpone her wedding in Italy until September 2021. She and her fiancé, Alessandro, have handled the postponement beautifully and just want a safe and happy day with all their friends and family. Other than that, we and our four children are all happy and healthy."

Last fall Trish Carroll hosted a dinner at her place in Rehoboth and fun was had by all! Ann Barry, Dorrie Brooks Laufman, Meredith McShane Brooks, Trish Carroll, Susan Scott Brodsky, and Mimi McAdam Ondov attended. You know how true friendships

are when you pick up right where you left off, no matter how much time has passed since your last get-together!

As for me, Dorrie Brooks Laufman, I love having Cape May as our main residence and feel lucky that many of our friends here have done the same thing. It has felt like a safe place to be during these strange Covid-19 times. It's hard to have our oldest, Wiley, and his family out in California, but thank God for FaceTime. The other three, Brooks, Molly, and Chance, are fairly nearby so at least we get to see them. I hope the rest of you Class of '76-ers are doing well. When things calm down, maybe we can have a reunion in Rehoboth, since half of our classmates have places there now!

# 1977

#### Jenny Ordeman Harbold, Class Secretary

From Nancy Wells Graham: "Annapolis life is still good. I still teach first grade on base at Fort Meade. Virtual teaching has been challenging for 7 year olds, to say the least. Last summer I renovated a condo that I owned and had been renting out, and I moved into it. It is located on Weem's Creek. I spend a lot of time on my kayak, as it's a great way to social distance. My son was to get married on Memorial Day, but due to Covid-19, they ended up eloping. My daughter got engaged this summer, so we will have a Colorado wedding next summer!"

From Laurie Hooper Fisher: "Alex and I bought our own little townhouse on the Salt Pond in Bethany Beach last summer. It was hard giving up the family beach house after 30 years, but nice to have our own place now! We have spent a lot of time here since the pandemic started in March, as Alex is working remotely through yearend at least. Davis started a new job at a venture capital firm in Baltimore in April and has also been back living with us and working remotely. Alex's older children are well, and our fourth grandchild arrived in January, a little boy named Harrison!"

From Beth Patterson Quinlan: "I am grateful to be living in 'Vacationland' during this period. Daily walks are keeping me sane. My job continues (so far) at the Center for Grieving Children. We've had our ups and downs, but we don't need to look far to feel fortunate about many things. We just passed the seventh anniversary of my mother's death. My father, who remarried five years ago, lives 40 minutes up the coast and turned 90 in November."

From Lauren Knatz: "My work with the elders came to a screeching halt due to the pandemic. I've opted to work with children as a music teacher at a private school in Lancaster with the hope of passing on the songs and stories of the elder generation."

From Valerie Wethered: "My Covid-19 time has been anything but boring. I work for 211 Maryland, a Central Maryland United Way helpline. Our call volume has skyrocketed with people seeking testing, food, financial assistance, and guidance in accessing community services."

From Beth Robertson: "I got engaged to Tripp Winter in November on my 60th birthday, which we spent in Key West. We were planning to get married this past fall but are shifting the wedding to 2021. My daughter Lindsey's scheduled April wedding was bumped to this past fall by Covid-19. We wanted to make sure my mother could attend, as she is dealing with stage 4 intestinal cancer. My sister, Laura, who lives in Kansas City and Mexico, was here recently visiting Mom and also spending some time with us at the beach and here in Lutherville. We also visited my son, James, who is a dentist in the Hagerstown area."

From Nan Wagner Brown: "I am enjoying retirement. I love my family time, volunteering at the Howard County Food Bank, and substituting for assistant principals on leave. My daughter Kelly's wedding was scheduled for this past summer. Due to "these crazy times," they postponed until September 17, 2021. My son, Scott, is still loving life in California. Gene and I are missing our trips to visit him. Nancy Wells Graham and I spent a wonderful June adventure in Stone Harbor."

As for me, Jenny Ordeman Harbold, I have experienced the joy and the challenges of life in the past several months. My daughter, Caitlin Harbold Hutcheon '06, had a second child, Clementine, who joins her big brother Harbor. I am so thankful to have them close by in College Park; I can drive down 95 for a baby fix whenever I need it. We lost our dad to cancer in July, a loss which was made especially difficult by visitation restrictions. I taught my fourth graders remotely this spring, and I am doing the same for a new group this year.

Wishing us all good health and happy family events of more than 10 people!

# 1978

#### June Bouscaren, Class Secretary

Lucinda Berndt moved to Charlottesville to help care for her dad and is a kindergarten instructional assistant. She loves working with the little ones and is lucky enough to spend part of the summer working in her brother's restaurant on Martha's Vineyard.

Margaret Powell Bryant welcomed her first granddaughter on October 5, 2019. Margaret's granddaughter currently lives in England but planned to move to NYC in November.

Rebecca Brandt Weitzell started a new job with Morgan Stanley in April, which she loves. Her daughter is a smart cookie with a dual degree in chemistry and forensic science and a minor in math. She had been teaching at an international school in Xi'an, China, but returned this past February due to Covid-19. She hoped to return in the fall, and Becky remains the strong supportive mom. Becky and her husband both had some cancer challenges in 2019, and both are now cleared for their screening follow-ups and remain optimistic.

Helen Norman Elmore, photographer extraordinaire, is turning her lens towards documenting what is happening on her Star Bright Farm. She collaborates with her eldest son, Peter, growing aromatic and medicinal herbs, especially lavender, which they dry and distill for essential oils and floral waters. They work with local formulators to make skincare products, which they sell at their store on the farm. She also hosts events at the farm. Her youngest son, Patrick, is a videographer in NYC. Susan Otto Gilbert is having her first experience with traditional school with her "live-in" grandson. Susan homeschooled her kids, so this is a new adventure. Susan's son, Nicholas, and his wife, Maddie, married in September 2019. They live in Ohio while he finishes his NP degree in flight nursing, and she finishes her nurse midwife education. Susan's daughter, Madelyn, is engaged and finished her occupational therapy program at Towson University. Madelyn plans to work with children when Covid-19 permits. Susan's oldest grandchild will be driving this coming spring. Susan crafts, decorates, paints, and refurbishes clocks and furniture. Susan and Suzanne DeGarmo Fogarty talk daily and see each other as often as they can.

Gail Gaumnitz Goering is now a grandmom. Her oldest daughter, Cara Goering Martin '05, has a son, Cooper Patrick Martin, who is one year old. Cara and her husband Grant Martin were married in 2016. Gail is lucky enough to watch her new grandson one day per week and works as a physical therapist four days per week. Gail's other daughter, Lauren, is also married, a physical therapist, and works in Hunt Valley. Gail and her mom recently visited Will, Gail's youngest, at Auburn University for a nice long family weekend. Gail is engaged. She and her fiancé are looking for their new home together in Monkton. Best wishes, Gail!

Kathleen Berndt Hanna's husband, Dwight, retired, so she runs their sign business solo. Covid-19 has changed the business, requiring use of acrylic shields, face masks, and safety signage. The good news is that she is spending more time with family. Her parents are doing very well and her daughter, Caroline, and sonin-law, Dave, live next door, so they are experiencing quarantine together. Her son, Teddy, lives in Denver, and plans for her most recent visit were sadly cancelled.

Kathleen Hurley works for Potomac Home Health Care in Rockville, Md., and has a small private practice as a nurse psychotherapist. She and her siblings have traveled to Port Charlotte, Fla., more than once in the past year to help her aging parents. Kathy enjoys time with her grandchild, Connor, who turned two years old in September. Kathy likes to walk for exercise and plays Rummikub weekly with neighbors. Kathy's son, Philip, has a band called The Whole Sick Croo, which just released an album on iTunes, Spotify, Google Music, YouTube, and his Facebook page. Philip and his wife, Christine, will bring Kathy's second grandchild into the world in early February 2021.

Erica Gibson Kammer lives a good life in a cottage on the water in Middle River. She spends her free time gardening, decorating the cottage, and taking long walks with her miniature schnauzer, Chance. Erica continues her work in the human services field. Her son, Ryan, is married and bought his first home in Lutherville.

Diane Thompson Knipp and her husband, Robin, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary in July. They live in White Hall, Md., and Diane has been fortunate enough to see lots of our classmates throughout the year. Diane is a case manager supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Her son, Robbie (31), lives in Sydney, Australia; Emily (30) lives in Essex, and Abigail '13 (26) lives in NYC.

Anne Waller McAvoy just completed her 21st year teaching at St. James Academy. Teaching kindergarten remotely was fun, unusual, and unforgettable. Anne rose to the Covid-19 challenge and found creative ways to stay in close contact with her students. Anne's husband, Mac, is also working remotely with Truist Bank. Anne and Mac's gardens and pets are happy, and they have honed their birdwatching skills. Daughter Liz and her husband, Eric, are enjoying life in downtown Annapolis, where they bought a home last summer. Anne is lucky to have her son, Will, nearby living and

working in Baltimore. Anne's daughter Audrey said "yes" to Nick Doeller's marriage proposal and moved to Virginia Beach.

Katherine McShane-Oeming lives in Lutherville, Md. She left her job at Project JumpStart in November 2019 after 10 years to develop her skills as a career coach with online courses. Kate is leveraging her work experience to help people define their career path and guide them through the job search process. She is very interested in helping people struggling to find their professional niche, and she loves the learning process. Kate's son, David, is 28 and just purchased a house in Locust Point. He is a salesman for an internet security company. Kate is lucky enough to see him and his puppy frequently. Kate is engaged, planning to marry in 2021, and exploring bicoastal living between Baltimore and California. Her fiancé, John Steuart '80, is her youngest brother's best friend.

Sallie (Tia) Rich lives in Menlo Park, Calif., working at Stanford University as director of Contemplation by Design, a Stanford Medicine program that cultivates mindfulness and compassion and helps people to thrive, create, and serve. Tia's organization recently provided guided contemplative practices to help people to shelter-in-peace. Tia has five nephews now living or attending college in California, and it brings her great joy to spend time with them. Tia's partner of 16 years, Adam Stern, is an environmentalist directing Offshore Wind California and acting as secretary for his Sidwell Friends class.

Pamela Proctor Smith lives in Michigan with her two adopted children, son Cooper and daughter McKenna. Like many others, Pam's kids dealt with virtual learning through the end of the school year. Pam's mom is 81, doing well, and living in beautiful Sawgrass, Fla. Pam plans to move to Florida to be closer to her mom when her kids are finished with school. Pam is a personal trainer and was recently certified to train Parkinson's patients. Pam is engaged to her partner, Cindy, who just retired from the Michigan State police as a major case detective sergeant.

Deirdre Wilson Redmond has left the classroom to pursue her specialty as a dyslexia therapist after seven years teaching and two master's degrees in education. She has given private therapy to clients of all ages for longer than she has been in the classroom.

Deborah White's daughter, Kelsey, completed her master's degree in May 2019 and now is a full librarian in Hillsborough County, Fla. Deb lives in Tampa with her cat and dog, and her entire household is tired of selfquarantining. Deb spent two days in the hospital right after Christmas 2019 for a fever, trouble breathing, cough, and decreased oxygen levels. Deb spends time moving in the water to strengthen her joints, crafting, reading, and decluttering à la Marie Kondo. She would love a personal consultation from the current queen of organization but must decide if her things "spark joy" in solitude.

I, June Bouscaren, am proud of the class of 1978 with all the impressive accomplishments and fulfilling lives our classmates and their children lead. Our class has many engagements and births to celebrate. I enjoyed reaching out and hearing about how people are adapting to Covid-19 with grace, humor, and resilience.

# 1979

#### Kathy Wurzbacher Corrigan, Class Secretary

No news submitted.

# 1980

#### Karen DeGarmo Keyser, Class Secretary

Jennifer Adams reports that she has been very busy at work. She recently completed two major remodels/

additions. She and her fiancé, Luke, planned a wedding for October. They have a new black Labrador puppy, Rudder. Jennifer had a visit in August from **Peggy Hoffman** and her husband, Minas. Jennifer and Luke keep busy with work and with their garden. They tried to beat the summer heat with their pool and trips to the nearby beach.

Tia Karavedas Close reports that she and her husband Lou are well and enjoyed their summer. They are so pleased that their kids, George (29) and Kitty (28), are happy, healthy and employed!

Norene Law Cusick, her husband, Danny, and their yellow Labrador, Charlie, really enjoy living on the Choptank River on the Eastern Shore. Norene and Danny look forward to weekends when their children, Meg, Jimmy, and Tommy, and their families come to visit. They especially love spending time at their shore home with their grandchildren Aria and Brooks and the grandpups, Trigger, Chief, Finn, and Ziggy. Norene cannot wait to celebrate our 40-year reunion with the Class of 1980!

Ellen Baird Elam still lives in Delray Beach, Fla., where she and her husband, Pryse, have lived for 26 years. Her oldest child, Ted, and his wife, Lizzy, live nearby, and just welcomed their first child. Ellen's first grandchild, Abigail Anne Elam, was born on July 16. Her daughters, Baird (28) and Annie (25), both live in Denver. The Elams vacation in Colorado, so both girls gravitated toward their "second home state" after graduating from college. The Elams really love Colorado and visit the girls often. Pryse is still working full-time in the development and investment company. They have been married for 35 years. Ellen is now retired and is eager to be a full-time grandma and to help to plan Baird's wedding scheduled for summer 2021.

Beth Hollingshead Furlong is PADI certified! She said her incentive to put her head sixty feet underwater was a family trip to Bonaire last January. Her favorite dive spots are Salt Pier and Oil Slick Leap. Quarantine for Beth meant more time with her golden retriever puppy, Bailey. The big news is that Beth's oldest daughter, Katie, and her husband, Kyle, are expecting a baby girl in November! Then, Beth and her husband, Doug, will be first-time grandparents!

Peggy Hoffman was enjoying working as a curator and publicist until the pandemic put an end to that. In August, Peggy and her husband, Minas, traveled to the Outer Banks to visit Jennifer Adams and Jennifer's fiancé, Luke.

Michelle Hooper reports that she and her husband, John, are both still working diligently at MCA Architecture and PNC Bank, respectively. They enjoyed a family beach vacation despite the pandemic. Their three children are fully launched and spread all over. Jake and his wife, Fiorella, are in Huntsville, Ala., where he works in the spinal equipment field. Morgan Springer O'Keefe' 10 is a counselor on the Island of Whidbey, near Seattle, Wash., with her husband and Michelle's two grandchildren, and Cassie' 13 is working in healthcare research at Vanderbilt. Michelle still has two dogs and a cat.

Eleanor Bailey Knox writes that her youngest child, Graham, graduated from Auburn University in August. Her middle child, Johnny, married Paige in October. Johnny plans to return to Georgia Tech for another degree. Eleanor's daughter, Margaret Rose, and husband Andrew had their second child, Marilouise, in March.

Susan Faby Linthicum and her husband, George, purchased a home in St. Michaels, Md. two years ago after having rented a house there for a year and a half to see if they'd like it. Both she and George love it! They live right in the downtown area and are close to everything. Lynn Riley Lynch is still working at Salisbury University in the Facilities and Capital Projects/A&E Services Department. She planned a socially distanced return for the college students this past fall as the university prepared to return a portion of the students back to campus. Lynn is also enrolled as a graduate student at Salisbury University, and she is completing all the coursework toward her master's degree in geographic information systems (GIS) management. Her son Mike and his wife, Tia, just bought their first home in Berlin, Md., and her son Benjamin has recently been promoted to studio director at the local news station, 47abc at WMDT. Lynn's mother, Happy Riley, is about to be a great-grandma! Lynn also recently adopted two kittens, Trixie and Jenny Lee, who are keeping her busy.

Katie Sadler McDonald spent a week in Rehoboth Beach, where she caught up with Missy Naughton Whiting for a beach visit. Katie's grandchildren, Jax and Skylar, are now 3 and 5, and Katie's daughter, Kelsea, is expecting a third baby due in January 2021. Katie tries to spend as much time as possible with her grandchildren. She still enjoys the Florida lifestyle and working part time. Her son, Mac, is dean of students at Boys' Latin School. Katie hopes to see everyone at our reunion!

Katie Daugherty Thompson reports that this year has been a challenging one with some very serious health issues for both Katie and her husband, Stu. Her two granddaughters, Juno and Iris, are now 6 and 4 and are the cutest little redheads! Her middle son, Luke, is going back to school to study computers, and her oldest son, Josh, is trying to make special forces in the Army and is graduating with a degree in homeland security. Her parents are both doing well and living in the Timonium area in an assisted living facility.

Katie TenHoopen Turner is starting her 13th year teaching English language learners in kindergarten through fifth grade. She found the online teaching to be a bit of a challenge. Katie and her husband, Ken, were able to get away to the beach alone for one week. They also spent a week at the beach with their three children. Patrick, his wife, and Katie's granddaughter, who is 3, now live in Texas. Meredith started her fourth year teaching third grade in Northern Virginia. Danielle is a junior in college at East Carolina and has been disappointed that most of her classes are online. Katie is busy planning Meredith's wedding.

Courtnaye (Missy) Naughton Whiting is still working as a hospice admission nurse for Gilchrist. She recently passed the Hospice and Palliative Nurse Certification Exam, so she is officially certified. She loves her job! She still lives in Ellicott City in the house that her grandfather built. She spent the summer refurbishing the screened-in porch. Her plan is to eventually downsize, but currently she is doing some home improvement projects. She traveled to visit classmate Katie Sadler McDonald in Florida last spring.

Karen Williams writes that Covid-19 affected her year considerably. She was fortunate to maintain her toy store business. She had phone orders, and she now has safety measures in place so she can reopen her store. She had help from classmates **Tracy Bacigalupo** and **Carol Knipp**, who used Karen's business to send care packages to appease lockdown boredom. Karen's son also traveled across the country camping from Washington to Vermont in the spring with his pup along for the ride. He stopped to visit his mom and decided to stay in Vermont. He spent the summer helping his mom at the toy store and enjoyed hiking the trails in his free time. Karen's daughter is in London.

Jennie Clark Worthington and her husband, Larry, are enjoying their farm. Their 20-year-old son was circumnavigating the world in a sailing race when the whole shebang had to be stopped because the ports were closing. He returned home in April. He













- Martha Eshman Manning '81 and family celebrating her daughter Maggie's college graduation
   Cynthia Fraser '82 being interviewed by Dan Rodricks about church bells ringing during pandemic for health care workers, Spring 2020
- 3/ Erica Johnson Meadows '81 at Larriland Farm in Howard County, Md.
- 4/ Jaleh Hagigh '81 and her son, Jake, cool off at the pool in Chapel Hill, where they live
- 5/ Jamie Rizzo, son of Jacqueline Erler '82, graduation from Law School, May 19, 2018
- 6/ Kelle McPeters Sawers '82 and grandson, Kemp, Summer 2020

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- 7/ Hope Tarr '82 with Raj Moorjani at a murder mystery party in Manhattan, winter 2020
- 8/ Leigh Weatherly '81, Amy Millhouser Dupuis '81, Jean Slaughter Gearon '81, Leanne Weber Kreis '81 at dinner, March 2020
- 9/ Kathleen Scogna '82, her significant other, Lee, and their Goldendoodle, Annie
- 10/ Liz Sawers Stewart '87 and her family in Oregon
- 11/ Melinda Cooke Vandaveer '87 and her daughter, Kimberly Dodson '09, in Portugal
- 12/ Jen Cromwell '87, summer 2020











- 13/ Chris Scheidt Mudd '88 and family on their Belize vacation, March 2020
- 14/ Joy Koch McPeters '87 and Meeghan Truelove '87 in Athens, Greece, September 2019
- 15/ Greta Bart Zagarino '88 and her husband, Scott
- 16/ Melissa Marino Tran '87 and family
- 17/ Melissa Marino Tran '87 and her husband, Hung, in Iceland
- 18/ Liz Sawers Stewart '87



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- 19/ Lisa Waidner '88 (photo credit, Morgan Givens, UWF) and two graduate students who recently defended their thesis proposals and are now ready to launch into their research!
- ${\bf 20}/$  Anjali Gupta Mehta '88 and her family at Independence Pass, Colo., July 2020
- 21/ Gretchen Brandjes Morris '88 and daughters, Annabel and Tilly
- 22/ Heather Morgan Vogel '88, Lisa Dugan Hobbs '88, and Robin Jarrett Clark '88 on a trip to Florida to celebrate their 50th birthdays
- 23/ Finn, the new puppy of Sarah Ridgely Sullivan '87
- 24/ Quin, the dog of Amy Presser Kimball '87
- 25/ Hollie Burdt Ellis '89















- 26/ The children of Angela Washington '89
- 27/ Angela Washington '89 and daughter
- 28/ Abby Mudd, daughter of Chris Scheidt Mudd '88, at the SPSG class of 2020 graduation
- 29/ The sons of Lisa Maslin Doherty '89
- **30**/ Tyler and Gunner, the sons of Marli Harrison Craig '88, at Tyler's Accepted Student Day at Xavier HS, NYC
- 31/ Robin Jarrett Clark '88 at her wedding with Lisa Dugan Hobbs '88
- 32/ Laura Hammond Swoboda '89 with family at Dewey Beach

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had reached the halfway point in the Philippines. He has just moved into an apartment in Baltimore. Their 26-year-old daughter is currently living in an apartment in Brooklyn, N.Y., and doing some of her art and writing. Jenny started an animal reiki business earlier this year and has been working to raise people's understanding of animal consciousness. Larry retired and is busy working on their farm to keep it in tiptop shape.

I, Karen DeGarmo Keyser, was so happy to hear from 17 classmates, and I am really committed to locating the remaining class members in the coming year. The emails were very positive; our class of 1980 is a strong and resilient group of women. My news is that my husband Peter's shipping business has been very busy, so he is working hard. My job working with domestic violence victims is also very busy even with a pandemic. However, we were able to take a family trip to Nantucket in July, and Peter and I took our annual trip to Maine. My oldest daughter Amanda (25) is living in New York and working in finance. Mollie (23) graduated from Tulane in June and is headed to graduate school at Tufts University. I was happy to have both girls at home for three months during Covid-19. Now I am pleased that both of our girls are doing well and working hard. Peter and I drive to visit them whenever we can get away! Please plan to attend our reunion, and email me news at Karen.Keyser@ maryland.gov!



#### Amy Millhouser Dupuis, Class Secretary

Leanne Weber Kreis is living in Crownsville, Md. with her husband of 30 years, George. They enjoy cruising the rivers around Annapolis. Instead of heading to Europe this summer because of Covid-19 travel bans, they cruised south on the Chesapeake Bay. They made many wonderful stops including the Tides Inn, Virginia Beach, and Cape Charles. Her daughter, Katie (24), lives in Atlanta, and Phillip (27) lives in Canton in downtown Baltimore. Leanne still works with her brother, Ed '78, in the commercial furniture business.

Anne Rittler Johnson and her husband, Phil, live in Towson. After years of being busy as the mom of triplet girls, Anne now keeps busy as a "professional volunteer." She loves helping people and is thankful that she has the flexibility and the time to help where she can. Anne and Phil are enjoying this stage of life with their three grown daughters, their daughters' spouses, and their 1-year-old grandson, Miles. They are spoiled by having all three girls living in Baltimore. Anne says that being a grandparent is as fun as everyone says that it is.

Sophie Dritsas relocated to Sarasota, Fla., in November 2019 to accept a position with the cardio oncology/ structural heart team at Sarasota Memorial Hospital. In December 2019, her mom moved up from Fort Myers to be closer. Her sister, Katie, and her family still reside in Hunt Valley. Sophie's niece Madison will be attending Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine in the fall, and her other niece Morgan aspires to be a surgeon like her dad. Her brother, George, is teaching math and coaching lacrosse in Baton Rouge. She feels so lucky to have "grown up" with all her classmates during what clearly was a simpler time, given the realities of today.

Martha Eshman Manning's daughter, Maggie, graduated from her parents' alma mater SMU with a B.B.A. in marketing and a B.S. in health and society plus a minor in advertising. She is now a real estate agent with Briggs Freeman Sotheby's International Realty and is pursuing a full time Master of Science in Management program at SMU. Martha was promoted to therapeutic area manager with Genentech, a member of the Roche Group, and celebrated her 22nd anniversary with them in November.

Liz Ordeman Blizzard still lives in Ilkley, West Yorkshire, where she owns a physical therapy clinic, The Valley Clinic. She became a grandmother to Lara Elsie Blizzard in January 2020 and loves every minute of it. Liz has met a great guy who shares her passion for tennis, gym, skiing, running, and hiking. Unfortunately, Liz's wings are clipped as she waits for the hip replacement that was scheduled for this past April to be rescheduled.

Jaleh Hagigh is in her 24th year working at Elon University and was promoted to senior director of campaign communications and events. She enjoyed a week at Bethany Beach with her family in July and spent summer weekends at the pool with her son, Jake, in Chapel Hill, where they live. When she wasn't working or exercising, Jaleh was making sure Jake was safe and healthy during the pandemic due to his disabilities.

Jean Slaughter Gearon feels fortunate as many struggle during Covid-19. She maintains a busy private practice as a clinical psychologist in Washington, D.C. Jean is also a clinical associate professor of psychiatry at George Washington University. Her son, Jake, is pursuing a Ph.D. in geology with hopes of becoming a professor, while her daughter, Kate, is a rising junior at NYU Tisch studying film. Jean is playing the piano again, running, and looking to resume traveling as much as possible with her husband, Chris. She enjoyed reconnecting with Amy Millhouser Dupuis, Leigh Weatherly, and Leanne Weber Kreis this past February.

Elissa Morrison Rosberg and her husband, Rick, are enjoying full retirement, splitting their time between Vermont and Maryland. Their son, Matthew, moved during the spring to an apartment on Massachusetts Avenue in Washington, D.C., a challenge with which Mom and Dad assisted. He is working full time, thankfully, for a small public relations firm.

Kathy Fitzgerald had a busy 2020. In February, she joined FTI Consulting as a managing director in their Health Solutions practice. She continues to assist health care providers in meeting federal and state regulatory requirements. Kathy also sold her home in Cockeysville in June where we had our last reunion and moved back to Richmond to be closer to her children and to her friends there. She is actively looking for a house and is eager to start this next chapter. All of Kathy's children are doing well. Kelly '13 lives in Richmond and is the chief of staff for a Virginia delegate, immersed in all things political. Jenna '15, also in Richmond, is currently working for an otolaryngologist while waiting to be accepted to PA school. Her son, Logan '18, is in his junior year at Virginia Tech and remains actively involved with the VT Rescue Squad.

Lou Anne Plumhoff Wellford is still practicing emergency medicine. She and her cardiologist husband are just trying not to catch Covid-19. Their son is a fourth-year medical student considering emergency medicine. Their middle daughter graduated this spring from Georgia Tech as a chemical engineer and is working for General Mills. Their youngest daughter is a math major at Texas A&M. She is still loving Texas and enjoys visiting Colorado when she has the chance.

Erica Johnson Meadows has started her fourth year as executive director of the Loyola Early Learning Center. The job is fulfilling, challenging, and never dull. Erica was happy that LELC was mentioned in *Baltimore* magazine as a program that set a high standard for preschools, and Maryland Public TV recently aired a short spot about the school as well. Her son, Rocky, is a sophomore at Loyola Blakefield and husband, David, has been pulled out of retirement to teach fourth grade at Calvert School. Travel plans for the year were thrown to the winds due to the Covid-19 pandemic, but Rocky hopes to accompany his classmates to Cuzco, Peru in 2021. Erica and David also have travel plans to catch up on. They hope to visit their two grandchildren in England, family in Louisiana, Florida, and Yucatan, Mexico, and friends in Windhoek, Namibia.

Stacy Wiedenhoeft Brice is happy to report that her life is terrific and very steady. Although she has nothing new and exciting to report, her businesses are thriving, and everything else is status-quo, which is a positive in today's world.

Leslie Nipkow and her husband, Jeff, are still living happily in the Lower Ninth Ward of New Orleans. This past summer, Leslie won a development grant from Stowe Story Labs for her courtroom drama screenplay set during Hurricane Katrina. She was also selected for the prestigious Athena TV Writers Lab based on her television pilot about a young boxer struggling to become a sports reporter during the civil rights revolution of the 1960s. The lessons she learned from Mrs. Nekola, Mrs. Plant, and Mrs. King seem to have stuck. Also, she can still sing the school song!

Eleanor Horine Collyer is in her 15th year as controller at Chester River Yacht and Country Club in Chestertown. Her husband, Rick, though generally retired, works seasonally for Major League Lacrosse which held the championship with no spectators due to Covid-19. Her daughter, Elizabeth, is currently working for the family business, College Manor, in Lutherville and lamenting the dent in her social life because of the pandemic. Her daughter, Samantha, finished her final season of eligibility for field hockey at Delaware Valley University with her third All-Conference nod. She worked for the school during the summer and is currently finishing up her degree in sustainable agriculture.

As for me, Amy Millhouser Dupuis, I am consulting at Novartis, mostly managing their charitable grants and employee engagement programs. My daughter, Molly, graduated from St. Joseph's University and is working in R&D at Temple University while she earns her master's in forensic medicine at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. My daughter, Emma, graduated from high school and is attending American University, living at a hotel in D.C. for her first semester since they went virtual without residential living. I am looking forward to coordinating our 40th SPSG reunion in 2021.

#### 1982

#### Julie Kiefer Donlon and Jody Toland Holden, Class Secretaries

Ellie Naughton Kenny writes, "I was able to spend time with my dad in Aspen this year. He's doing great and says 'hello' to the Class of '82. While we were in Aspen, my kids climbed the highest mountain in Colorado, Mt. Elbert. I helped by driving them over Independence Pass to the trailhead at 3:30 a.m.! I miss getting together with St. Paul's friends. We were just getting into a routine of regular get-togethers now that our kids are older when Covid-19 hit. Stay safe, and I hope to see everyone soon."

Jenny Cook Wiegand, resides in Medora, N.D. It is a tiny western-themed town, gateway to Theodore Roosevelt National Park, and future site of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library, where Jenny's husband, Joe (aka Teddy Roosevelt at teddyrooseveltshow.com), performs a one-man theatre show in the summer and fall. Jenny still works occasionally for CBS Sports at PGA tournaments and has filled a void in Medora by offering regular yoga classes. Her daughter, Sam (22), is very happy to have stayed in Colorado Springs and loves working at SunWater Spa in Manitou Springs, Colo. Jenny and Joe have Bailey and Bella, 2-year-old brother and sister golden retrievers!

Louise Frenkil Baker is a self-proclaimed stay-at-home dog mom! She reports, "I do have some 'full circle' news to report. My son, Sean '12, is the new head coach of the St. Paul's School for Boys' varsity ice hockey team. We are so excited and thrilled for him and our family, as we are now a family of five St. Paul's alumni!"

Cynthia Fraser writes, "During the pandemic, I started a project to get church bells ringing for healthcare workers. I started with my church, Good Shepherd, and then reached out to churches of all denominations in the area; I had a dozen ringing! I created a video so area hospitals could share with their staff. WJZ-TV did a story on the bells and the BSO reached out to get video of church bells ringing for their Fourth of July '1812 Overture' virtual concert. I was credited at the end. I was happy to help uplift people during this challenging time."

Kelle McPeters Sawers reports, "We are surviving the pandemic. One of our joys is seeing our perfect grandson, Kemp. He is almost nine months and is so much fun. Bill and I have now been married for 32 years. I am still working in real estate, and Bill in information system sales. Our grown kids live in town, and Shelton '19 is in her sophomore year at the University of Florida. We are all happy and healthy and keepin' on."

Jonna Cheri Woodward Artisan writes, "I live in Raleigh, N.C., with my son, Jex (13). Jex attends the International Academy of Science and is very active outside of school. My daughter, Kaila, her husband, who is a Harbour Patrol Police Officer, and their son live in California. Normally, Jex and I attend festivals, rodeos, sporting events, musicals, ballets, rock concerts, monster truck shows, Lego conventions, and the occasional ax-throwing contest! In the past, we have gone road tripping from North Carolina to California. The bikes, the Beta fish, the guinea pig, and our cat would all stuff into my '03 Mustang; once the cat piped down, it was fun. I feel like I have a truly blessed life."

Kathleen Scogna writes, "I am living in Hampden and am the managing editor for the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine. It seems that all I do these days is write about Covid-19 and cook. The past two years have been difficult; I lost my mom and both her sisters (my aunts), which has been very tough on our family. On a positive note, Lee and I got a Goldendoodle named Annie who is adorable. Before the pandemic, I spent 10 days in Rome and Lisbon; it was magical. I also saw Kendell Shaffer and Lisa Simon in the fall of 2019 in California and had a fantastic time."

Bonnie Cox Orzechowski reports, "I am living in Kansas and working for a company that makes generators. My husband and I have three kids who keep us busy. My son, Mathew, graduated in May from Kansas State University; he is living at home while he looks for a job. My older daughter, Katherine, is a senior at Kansas State and just moved into her first apartment. Our youngest, Mary, was able to finally have her high school graduation in August and attends Emporia State University. We are looking forward to being empty nesters."

Heather Shreve sends this update: "I have been focusing on screenplay writing and was a finalist in a contest for one of my TV series pilots, *The Colonel's Wife*. I work part-time as a senior content writer at Vesta Construction Websites, writing about the 'big energy' business. In 2019, I displayed my monochromatic historical art show at The Ward Center for the Arts at The St. Paul's Schools. My daughter, Emilia Helfrich (21), graduated from the Fashion Institute of Technology in NYC in 2019 and works at

Stouffer Legal on estates. My son, Lee Helfrich (18), graduated from Hereford High School in 2020 and attends Allegheny College."

Hope Tarr reports as of this writing, "Raj and I are continuing to ride out Covid-19 in Manhattan. We are so thankful for our ongoing good health as well as the East River Park running/bike trail and our condo's roof deck, both sanity savers. *Stolen Kiss*, my feature film written with Emmy award winner Linda Yellen, is in development. Another script, a TV pilot co-written with Raj, is being shopped to producers."

Virginia Hough Eckerd writes, "I am doing well. John and I just celebrated our 16th wedding anniversary. We are very happy. Lindsay is 25 now and is doing great. We went to Bethany the weekend before the world closed, and it was wonderful. We have been living in Finksburg for the past five years, and we (prepandemic) entertain all the time. I lost my mom in March 2018. I have caught up on *The Crown* and look forward to seeing fellow classmates when the world reopens. Please send my best wishes for happiness and good health to all; I would love to see everyone when we can be together again."

Liz Holden Dickson reports, "Frank and I were excited to have both Tommy '12 and Emily '15 home for a few months this spring due to Covid-19. Tommy has since gone back to Michigan, where he is a mechanical engineer for GM, and Emily is still in Baltimore working for the creative team at Flywheel Digital, an online marketing company in Tide Point. I am still running my interior design business and have enjoyed a bit of growth on the renovation side, specifically with kitchens and baths, which are always fun projects."

Jacqueline Erler reports, "I love living in Ocala, Fla., and I am still training racehorses. I cohabitate with Tanner, my rescue dog, and three-legged cat, Miss Kitty. I also have one retired racehorse and a miniature horse in the yard. I am very proud of my son, Jamie Rizzo. He graduated from Akron School of Law last year and is now assistant prosecuting attorney in the appellate division of juvenile court in Dayton, Ohio."

I, Jody Toland Holden, am working at St. James Academy as the alumnae relations coordinator, which I love, and it keeps me busy. Our daughter, Addie '19, is a sophomore at Elon University. Our son, Mark '20, graduated from St. Paul's this past summer and is a freshman at Auburn. Paul and I are adjusting to our empty nest. Thank you to those of you that sent your updates; it is always wonderful to hear from you awesome women!

## 1983

#### Rebecca Sadtler Williams, Class Secretary

**Cindy Eshman Jones** lives in Boulder, Colo. She and Brian are empty nesters. Her oldest son, Charlie, works in Denver for a state legislator. Her daughter, **Katie '17**, and her son, Jack, attend Miami University in Ohio; Katie is a senior, and Jack is a freshman. Cindy and Brian are looking forward to traveling when things open back up.

Lisa Rowe is in Atlanta. She loves her job as a financial insurance agent at Allstate. Her 3.5-pound dog, Baby Sophia, keeps her company while she works from home. Lisa says her family is well, and she sends a virtual hug to everyone.

Laura Ruhl Emery and her husband moved from Charlottesville to Beaver Creek Reservoir near Crozet, Va. They have been busy moving and remodeling. Laura teaches sixth grade and says it's a tough age for virtual learning. She looks forward to getting back into the classroom.

Whitney Forsyth Hazzard continues to work for Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle. She and Dan love to cycle, and they look forward to traveling when travel opens up again. They have connected a few times with Trina Hardiman Peters and her husband, Jake.

Mary Page Michel is leading the effort to restore the 148-ft. Roland Water Tower and recreate a community park at the base, serving three neighborhoods. She loved having all four kids at home for over five months.

As for me, Rebecca Sadtler Williams, I, too, am enjoying having all three of my sons home while they work and go to school remotely. That is the silver lining part of this.

## 1984

#### Janet Lord, Class Secretary

No news submitted.

## 1985

#### Betsy Stieff Stein, Class Secretary

Hello, class of '85! I hope everyone is doing well in these difficult times. I was so sad that we did not get to have our reunion, but it was so good to hear from many of you this summer. Special shout-out to Darolyn Milburn and Julie Wolfe Huston, who have both played critical roles during the pandemic.

Laurie Mattson Nelson writes, "All is well here in Richmond. After much thought, I stopped working the summer of 2019 at the K through 8 school where I had been in admissions. I had planned to take a few months off to take care of some projects (like cleaning out the packed attic and re-doing two bathrooms) and then find some flexible volunteer projects. The hope is that I could be more flexible to travel with Brooks (who can work from anywhere). Then Covid-19 hit. Our sons are doing well. Matt is a senior at Vanderbilt. James graduated from high school and was one of the many who missed his senior spring events, especially his baseball season. He is now at Longwood University, Honors College in Virginia and plans to play Division 1 baseball."

Sandi Stevens Corbo writes, "I retired in June 2019 and went to work right away for Senior Transitions, Inc. I absolutely love moving seniors! The best part about working part-time is taking small trips whenever we want. Maggie is enjoying the University of Florida, and Joe and I get to see her a lot at lacrosse games. My new favorite activity is hiking. I joined the Mountain Club of Maryland and love our outings. I also am looking forward to many trips along the Blue Ridge Parkway."

Mary Veiga writes, "I'm painting my way through the pandemic and took part in the Plein Air Easton competition which is the highlight of my year in art. It's been such a light in this dark time. I have some more competitions, including Waterfowl Festival and gallery shows, coming up, but they're a bit modified for safety. Other than that, I'm grateful that my family is well. Jeff's been swamped with real estate, and Noah got his master's in social work at UMD. He's working as a social worker at Healthcare for the Homeless. Cal is 13, and we're enjoying our weekend home in Tilghman while trying to be safe."

Dianna von Briesen writes, "David and I are enjoying good health, and work is fine. We have been very lucky not to experience much of an upheaval in our lives with the pandemic. David has been working from home since mid-March and he plans to continue to work from home for the foreseeable future. I have been working this whole time, going out to show homes, etc. In early August, I went to Killington, Vt., to go downhill mountain biking at the Killington Bike Park."

Darolyn Milburn writes, "I am still at Johns Hopkins as a nurse anesthetist. When elective surgeries were put on hold to redirect staff to the Covid-19 biomedical units during the height of Covid-19 positive admissions, I had to recall my bedside ICU nursing skills to care for the extremely ill patients. It was an honor to care for these patients who had no one else to advocate for them or comfort them, as families were not allowed to visit. It was a time of extreme emotions. I have received the honor of Star Nurse in the DMV (DC, Maryland, and Virginia) region, which means I am recognized as one of the top 100 nurses by The Washington Post and American Nurses Association. I still work with a girls' youth group, and it has been a challenge to try to be supportive to these amazing girls and their parents, some of whom have experienced difficulties."

Erin Gamse Becker writes, "We are living in Aspen, going on our fourth year. Rose is a sophomore at Georgetown University and lives in DC, though she started the year remotely. She has a triptych hanging in her room by Emma Childs, Lisa Salladin Childs' daughter! EJ is a freshman at Colorado Rocky Mountain School. We adopted a puppy in April, our third rescue dog. I continue to take ceramics classes at a local community college. We love being in the mountains, the hiking and fresh air are what we needed during the coronavirus shutdown. Doug has started a new education company and is working from home, which has been great for the kids and me!"

Julie Wolfe Huston writes, "All is well in Maine. I resigned from L.L. Bean after 26 years and now work full time for a private ambulance company as an EMT. Things have been quite busy between working there and for my local fire department. The pandemic has brought long workdays, new challenges, and daily changes to our routines. I am fortunate that Maine, and the rest of New England, has not been hit as hard as some areas. When I do have free time and am not sleeping after working 36+ consecutive hour shifts, I spend time with family via video conference."

Carter Michel Brigham writes, "I've been living on an island in Maine with my family since March. I have a funny story. A friend of mine was visiting last summer and had a nasty fall, so we called the ambulance. On an island when the ferry is not running, the ambulance drops you at a small boat where you're ferried in a stretcher over to the mainland to get on another ambulance that takes you to the hospital. I went on the small boat with my friend and was trying to get a ride to the hospital when the ambulance, I was talking to the EMT, and she mentioned she had gone to an all-girls school near Towson. It was Julie Wolfel Unbelievable. I live in Roland Park when I'm not in exile."

Susan Longstreth Maroto writes, "We are hanging in there through all the craziness like everyone else is. I had such an unexpected, wonderful thing happen this spring when Carter emailed me to let me know that Mrs. Bobbi Mills, former St. Paul's Lower School head, mom of Amy Mills Chapman, was at the end of her life, unable to receive visitors due to Covid-19. but completely lucid and enjoying phone calls from former students. Mrs. Mills taught both me and Carter in first grade. I gave her a call and we had a delightful conversation. It was lovely to connect with her before she died, and her memory was better than mine about classmates and what they are all up to now! Kudos to Carter for tracking me down. She was in Maine and asked her house sitter to dig out her first-grade yearbook so she could get word to all of us, which I think is really going the extra mile. Other than that, I am a middle school counselor at an all-girls school. My daughter Ana will be a junior at Temple University, and Elena will be a freshman at Penn State. My husband, Michael, and I are doing our best to enjoy the extra time with both girls now that Covid-19 has them at home more than we would have expected!

Susan Lang writes, "This past summer I retired after teaching for 30 years in Baltimore County. On to the next adventure."

Lisa Hardiman writes, "My family and I are surviving Covid-19. We were all together for the first three months, and now my oldest, Torben, has returned to New York City where he is working. My daughter, Berit, is at Northwestern for her senior year, and my youngest, Halden, graduated from Gilman and is attending Vanderbilt. I continue to sell residential real estate with Monument Sotheby's in the Baltimore area. Mary Veiga's work was showcased at one of our galleries during Covid-19, and we look forward to having her show again during a non-Covid time. When that happens, I hope members of the class of '85 and other alumnae will stop by and see her work."

Beth Wolf writes, "This past summer, I dealt with Covid-19 by spending as many days at the pool as weather permitted. I'm hoping for a brighter future for all as soon as possible."

Lisa Salladin Childs writes, "Austin and I are cozy and well up in Monkton. Our girls, Emma (24) and Camille (22), are both home during quarantine, and we love having them here! Savoring this unexpected gift of time together. I'm feeling so fortunate and very grateful."

Patti Alfonso Mutascio writes, "We are still living in Monkton. My oldest daughter, Emma, is a teacher in Fairfax County, Va., and my two oldest sons, Grant and David, are both attending Washington University in St. Louis and loving sharing college life together. My youngest son, Peter, is a junior at St. Paul's. He's a little lonely at home without his siblings around, but he does adore our two golden retrievers who give him lots of attention! Chris and I are beginning to share time between Baltimore and our second favorite spot on Earth-Hilton Head, S.C. I remain active volunteering at my kids' schools, both current and past, and helping with local non-profits and our church as well. I'm also quite busy caring for my mom, who is moving into my home. I enjoy playing tennis, biking, swimming, and walking my dogs."

As for me, Betsy Stieff Stein, I am well. I'm still working as a communications officer for NSA. It was a blessing to have all the kids home with us last spring while finishing the semester online from home. Maggie is now a senior at York College majoring in nursing. Lilly is a junior at St. Mary's College of Maryland and sad to be missing a semester in London this fall. Adam is a junior at Frostburg State University and hopes to one day teach middle school math. Jonah is in 10th grade at Mt. St. Joseph's High School.



#### Julie Hedeman Hooper, Class Secretary

Liz Sweglar Hattenburg writes that this has been an interesting year. She was promoted to commander in January 2020 and took command of the Rockville District Station, where she started her police career in 1992. She is the only female commander for her department and feels a big responsibility to assist other female officers as they prepare for promotional processes. Unfortunately, just as she started her new position, she was diagnosed with breast cancer. Due to early intervention, her doctors caught it early. After surgery, chemo, and radiation, she is a little battered and dinged, but healthy otherwise. This has slowed her down on showing her competition horse, Lance, as well as competing in 5Ks. She has a new yearling Oldenburg horse. Blazing Star has been a shining light during her treatments. She was able to take him to one breed show in July where he won one class and came in second for his other class. He gualified for the East Coast Dressage Championships. Having something to

look forward to during treatments has made her life a little bit brighter.

Courtenay Wells Arendt tells us that, after graduating from Gettysburg College, Lexie '15 is working at T. Rowe Price. Brittany, Courtenay's younger daughter, is entering her junior year at Monmouth University. Courtenay continues to work at the Butler Corner Store as the manager and one of the buyers. Visit her there if you get the chance.

Betsy Milan Schuncke states that a Disney trip was the highlight of her year, but that seems like a lifetime ago. She has been fortunate enough to continue working throughout the quarantine. Since she is one of only two people in the office, her daily routine has not changed too much. Betsy's daughter, Reid, is in her senior year. They have not been able to visit any colleges, but she has been doing virtual tours. She has had more time to work on drawings for a kitchen renovation. Hopefully, that can get underway late fall or winter.

Allison May Jackson is still living in Atlanta. Her daughter is officially in high school and payback is on its way. She says she is an amazing kid and high school will be a crazy ride. Carolyn Crook LeBlanc, Jamie Cantemiry Hitchcock, and Allison were just reminiscing about some of their antics in high school and how their kids are or were just going through some of the exact same things. Her husband began working in New England a few years ago, so they have been spending more time in New England, and she is enjoying that new experience and exploring new cities.

Covid-19 lockdown has been interesting for Amanda Terry Mellor. Her husband, Andrew, works for Zillow Offers and may go back to the office in 2021. For now, his office is in the dining room. Charlie is 15 and will be a sophomore in high school. He plays a lot of basketball and was able to play JV and varsity as a freshman. He was hoping to travel to Spain this past summer, but Covid-19 changed those plans. She said being able to spend the last six months together as a family with dog Rocky has been great. Amanda has been able to visit her mom four times. She is happy to say she is healthy, and her visits with her are special. This past February, she was able to have a wonderful visit with Lisa Greene and her two boys.

As for me, Julie Hedeman Hooper, I continue to enjoy working at St. Paul's as a first-grade teacher. In my free time, I love running and teaching barre classes. My boys are happy and busy working. Robby continues to work at the Martin Marietta-Texas Quarry, and David is a brewer at Diamondback Brewing Company. David became engaged in October 2019 in Bruges, Belgium and is planning a wedding for September 2021. I hope you are all doing well, and I cannot wait to hear and see you at future reunions and events.

## 1987

#### Jenifer Cromwell, Class Secretary

What a year 2020 has been—full of both uncertainty and possibility. I hope that you continue to be healthy and are finding ways to stay connected with your loved ones.

Betsey Usher is still living in Nashville, Tenn. She celebrated her mom's 90th birthday in November 2019 with a surprise party and a trip to New Orleans. Betsey's mom lives with her in Nashville, and they are surviving the Covid-19 pandemic with lots of laughter and socially distant games with neighbors. Betsey works at Vanderbilt University and continues working remotely hosting panels with the school's alumni and faculty on topics addressing social justice, mental health, and Covid-19.

Kimberly Murphy Boeve had hoped to cycle 150 miles on the Great Allegheny Passage in fall 2019 but broke her heel bone on a training ride and required corrective surgery followed by physical therapy to learn to walk again. Kimberly noted that sitting at home while bone tissue regrew turned out to be excellent preparation for the coming pandemic since many of the same skills have been required.

#### In fall 2019, Joy Koch McPeters and Meeghan

Truelove traveled to Greece to celebrate Meeghan's 50th birthday. Joy and her husband, Doug, have been renovating their house in Key West and spending a lot of time there. Joy is a consultant and volunteers at a food pantry in Key West. Joy's family also celebrated a milestone birthday for her dad, and Anne Koch '90 was able to come to the East Coast with her daughter to celebrate.

Sarah Ridgley Sullivan continues working as a marketing consultant for the Biotech and food/ supplement industries. She kept her main clients through the Covid-19 pandemic because she is working on a Covid-19 rapid test, so they were considered essential. Sadly, Sarah lost Fletch, her almost-15-year-old Gordon setter, at the beginning of the pandemic. Sarah welcomed Finn, a puppy Gordon setter, into her life at the beginning of July. Sarah writes that her mom is doing well, still living on the farm, and turned 90 in July.

Kim Rawlings has been working remotely since early March, and those early weeks following the outbreak of Covid-19 were spent preparing for the sale of the company she works for. Kimberly had a great visit to Kauai in November 2019 to celebrate her birthday.

Stephanie Dahl Sigmon still lives in Greensboro, N.C., and she works as a teacher assistant for first grade. She reports that working virtually is not as much fun, and she hopes that there will be an end to virtual work soon; she misses her students. Stephanie and her husband, Ken, are celebrating 27 years of marriage. She writes that Paige (18) is a freshman at UNC Charlotte, and Heather (21) is a senior at Marshall University.

Like all of us, Stacy Hermann Sauerhoff is trying to stay sane during these Covid-19 times. She is grateful that she lives in the "sticks."

Maria von Briesen Hardison spent a lot of time over the summer gardening, both flowers and vegetables. She and her daughter, Melina (15), went on a lot of bicycle trips around the area and walks through the neighborhood. In a twist of irony, Maria won a trip in a local sweepstakes, but can't—and doesn't want to—go anywhere. Maria also writes that she is adding her voice to fight for social justice and equality in support of Black Lives Matter.

Alicia Hay Matthai reports that all is well with her family. Her son, John Hay, graduated from Gilman and will be a freshman Washington College. He deferred until Spring 2021, and they are all praying that he will be on campus at that point. Alicia and her family have been hunkered down like the rest of the world.

Not much has changed with Tessa Laspia Frederick and her family. Tessa's daughter Maggie '19 is a sophomore at Ithaca College. Her daughter Celia is a senior at Maryvale, and her son, Ben, is a freshman at Loyola. Tessa writes that having three teenagers at home during Covid-19 has maxed out their grocery bill and sanity, but that they are thankful that everyone is healthy.

Melinda Cooke Vandaveer and her husband, Kevin, are surviving Covid-19 with family all at home in Owings Mills. Kimberly Dodson '09, who was performing on Broadway in *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child*, returned home after theatres closed. Melinda's daughter, Yvah, is in third grade at RPCS. Melinda and Kimberly visited Portugal in November 2019, capping off a travel-busy year for Melinda. Melinda worked with Bill Gates, President Barack Obama, and Aliko Dangote, Africa's richest man, during client events in 2019. Melinda added six chickens to her household with dreams of living fabulously (in sequins) off-the-grid. Melinda writes, Black Lives Matter.

Meeghan Truelove got in lots of wonderful travel during 2019, including adventures in Portugal and Greece with Joy Koch McPeters. Capturing a shared sentiment, Meeghan writes that 2020 has been intense. She is still working at the fabric and wallpaper company F. Schumacher & Co. and has been in the role of director of business development for the past few years, building out a sub-brand of artisan goods. She saw Joy, Melinda Cooke Vandaveer, and Amy O'Donnell Metzger in real life over the summer, albeit with COVID-style precautions, after many weeks of socializing solely on Zoom.

Becky Reed Lynch is the pre-K teacher at the Covenant School in Charlottesville, Va. This is Becky's 11th year of teaching. In 2019, Becky went to Mykonos for her cousin's wedding. Becky's children, Finney and Lolly, are both still incredibly involved in theatre. Finney and friends founded Blue Ridge Young Actor's Guild, and they perform free Shakespeare plays at Wildrock. Lolly sang with Voices of Virginia in France—Paris, Versailles, Auxerre, and Besançon. Becky and her husband, Steve, celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary in October.

Melissa Marino Tran attended her brother's wedding in Iceland. Her nephew, Henry, was born in January. Melissa and Hung's three-year-old godson, O'Neal, is the light of their lives. Melissa became the center director at the Woodstock Job Corps Center, the site of her first "real job" 27 years ago. Melissa has been humbled by the brave and inspired work of our young alumni through the "Black at The St. Paul's Schools" social media platform and encouraged by kindred spirits in our class who promote social justice and stand against racial inequities. These remain central priorities for Melissa professionally and personally.

Susan Walcher Curran shared that there is so much and so little going on right now for the Currans. This past year has been a year of aging family members and all that comes with that. Both of Susan's sons are in high school and were surprised with how much they missed school when Covid-19 hit the area. Susan was furloughed briefly earlier this year, but healthcare rebounded, and she is again busy with work.

Amy Ward is still working at Oak Crest, and her wife, Suzie, has been working from home since the pandemic started. They went to Denver in January and did a lot of hiking and cross-country skiing. Their summer plans for a trip to Scotland were cancelled, so instead, they spent a week at Deep Creek. They hiked, golfed, kayaked, and saw many black bears.

Sallie Toomey notes that, as is the case for many of us, not a whole lot happened in 2020. Her daughter, Maddie, is a freshman at the Park School. Sallie is studying accounting at CCBC.

Melanie Makowski Stutzman was homeschooling her daughter, Ellie, for the past two years. This past fall, Ellie started seventh grade at York Catholic School. Melanie's son, Little John, turned 19 this summer and graduated from the Robert Paul Academy of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences. Melanie's husband, John, still works for Starbucks. On a sad note, Melanie and her family had to say goodbye to their dog over the summer, which was a great loss for all of them.

Liz Sawers Stewart and her family are still loving life in Portland, Ore. Liz is self-employed and working to manage the interruptions in work caused by Covid-19 and quarantine. Her husband, Adam, is still employed at his bike shop and working nonstop. During quarantine, Liz and her family started fostering kittens for a local shelter, which has been amazing and rewarding. Amy Presser Kimball shared her news as a poem! Telewocky

(from the lesser known, Amy's Adventures in Covidland)

Twas Covid, and we three stayed in And schooled online and worked the same And played with our new puppy Quin And fed the birds and played card games.

Beware the Bigger World, dear one! The hands that shake, the crowds that breathe! Beware the TV news and shun The dubious POTUS tweets!

Plan after plan we canceled quick, Rehoboth Beach, Zoo camp—the all! My Irish trip—I was heartsick. Perhaps we'd manage in the fall?

One, two! One, two! And Zoom and more! One night the toilet tank did crack And sent a flood across the floor And gave a purpose to our lack.

And then we painted walls galore! The house grew messy ever faster. Each project brought a dozen more – Redecorating by disaster!

Twas Covid, and we three stayed put, And walked the dog and slept outside And wrote online and gained some butt And dreamed of travelling far and wide.

I, Jen Cromwell, am grateful to be able to work remotely during the Covid-19 pandemic; the commute has been terrific. This summer, my family and I explored Maryland by car—and socially distanced. Each weekend, we picked a destination from a map, based on name alone—Ladiesburg (because who doesn't want to see a place called Ladiesburg?), Hancock, Port Tobacco. It has been fun exploring the beautiful state of Maryland, which is rich in history. We also have been working in our personal and professional communities to end racial inequality and promote social justice because Black Lives Matter.

Here's to a more adventurous 2021, and a new year filled with peace and good health. Be well SPSG friends and class of 1987!

### 1988

#### Marli Harrison Craig, Class Secretary

Hello, Class of '88! 2020 is our "big" year in which we mark a half a century, and we look towards our next 50! I guess it is safe to say that we all will have no problem remembering this milestone year and will have many stories to tell our grandchildren in 20 years. Hopefully, everyone has been able to celebrate in a special way despite the pandemic. I know we were saddened when we received the news earlier in 2020 that we had lost a class member. Paige Doeller Hackney passed away after being injured in a tragic accident on her farm in Kentucky. She was the assistant principal at Hustonville Elementary in Hustonville, Ky., and was much loved by the community where she lived and served. I know we have all kept Paige's loved ones in our prayers, but Jenifer Blenckstone Boyce shared a special prayer for Paige which I think we all would want to say along with her. "May Paige rest in peace, and may her family know she was a beloved member of our 1988 class sisterhood."

Heather Morgan Vogel was our first classmate to write in, and said, "Lisa Dugan Hobbs, Robin Jarrett Clark, and I celebrated our 50th birthdays together in Florida in January. It was so much fun to catch up, spend some time on the beach, and reminisce about our SPSG days. In February, I took the kids to NYC where we got to see Hamilton. Connor (19) graduated from Gilman School. He is taking a gap year and will head to Dartmouth College in the fall of 2021. Blake (17) is a junior at Gilman. We have enjoyed a lot of family time this year: boating, tennis, and family walks."

Jenifer Blenckstone Boyce said, "Gillet and I are well. We are dealing with two in college and one in her SPSG senior year with quarantine, testing, masking, and a lot of unknowns."

Lisa Dugan Hobbs wrote to me and said she is still at TMG 27 years strong, and her job in the branded merchandise world looks different with virtual events. She added that Ramsay graduated from NDP with honors, and she now attends Miami University of Ohio in the nursing program. She writes, "Not sure how the campus will handle Covid-19, but we hope she gets there to join Chris Scheidt Mudd's daughter Abby Mudd '20 at the same college. Dugan and Heeter are both at Calvert Hall and had a MIAA winning season for cross country. I took a trip to Marco Island with Heather Morgan Vogel and Robin Jarrett Clark to celebrate our 50th which was fantastic! We have had a few Covid Zoom calls with the class of '88 and it has been great to 'see' everyone-hope you are all healthy!" Robin Jarrett Clark was married to Ted Clark in October 2019 in Wellesley, Mass. She added that they had a small family wedding, and they have four kids between the two of them.

Chris Scheidt Mudd said that her family managed to sneak in a vacation to Belize in mid-March, just as the country was shutting down. "Everyone thought we were crazy. We are counting our blessings that everyone is healthy and still able to work even in quarantine. Peter is at Elon for his junior year. Abby '20 graduated from SPSG and started this fall at Miami University in Ohio to study architecture. She missed out on prom and other traditions, but the school managed to pull off a beautiful graduation, and for that I am grateful. Sarah started in ninth grade at SPSG this past fall and likes field hockey."

Gretchen Brandjes Morris wrote, "Annabel, my oldest, began Colgate University in 2019, running crosscountry and earning Dean's List. My younger daughter, Matilda (Tilly), is a high school senior and is beginning her college search. Last summer we went to Maine for a vacation and Martha's Vineyard in the fall for a family wedding. Annabel had to come home from college, like everyone else, and we stayed on the Jersey Shore. Beach weather finally came so we could leave the house a little bit and enjoy living at the beach. Tilly finally got her license in mid-July after the DMV finally re-opened, only three months late! Chris has a trading floor set up in the guest room and is not going back to his office in Manhattan until at least January 2021! We saw my parents for the first time since Christmas 2019 in late July; they're doing well, still in Baltimore. Our Bernedoodle, Elsie, is 2 and a half and is loving having us all around. Annabel returned to Colgate with a very strict guarantine plan and hybrid classes this past fall."

Like most of us, Mary Ann Madden said, "I'm still working as the marketing director of Comtech but all of my trade shows and conferences have been canceled or turned virtual. I've been working from home 100 percent since March 16. I've been to Cape May, N.J. several times in the summer and returned there for my birthday in late August with a few close friends. Like everyone else, I've been staying home, cooking delicious meals, improving my house, video chatting with friends near and far, and generally staying safe from the virus."

Aryne Seigel Blumklotz said, "Portland, Ore., has seen months of peaceful protests, clashes with federal troops, a special election, and—just like everywhere else—Covid-19. My business screeched to a halt in March just as our year was getting started. About a month later, our real estate community figured out how to do things safely and suddenly everyone wanted to buy or sell. The kids vacillate between feeling like they're on permanent vacation and being bored to death, stressed out, or bummed out. Isaac, our 14 year old, actually had the summer of his life. Our quarantine bubble includes the three boys who live behind us and their basketball half-court. There were a lot of workouts, a lot of 2-on-2 and 1-on-1. He's also been allowed to meet up with friends for bike rides. Otherwise, it's video games and FaceTime. He missed an epic ending to his eighth-grade year which would have included graduating from middle school and a trip to Catalina Island with his class. Graduation was in a parking lot. Kathe is 16 and couldn't get her license because driver's ed got cancelled. She's taken some dance classes online and in the studio. She's taking guitar lessons on FaceTime, getting caught up on every TV show from the last 10 years, and watching a lot of movies with us. Jason is working on a book on Portland concert posters. He's been collecting, trading, interviewing people, and amassing a great collection. He's also doing a lot of community activism around social justice and trying to connect with friends as much as possible. I turned 50 in March with very little fanfare. I spent the day on FaceTime connecting and reconnecting with people all over the country. I've even done a Zoom book group this year. I've had a couple of wonderful Zoom calls with Gretchen Brandjes Morris and Jill Stevenson! It was so great to catch up with them.'

Lisa Waidner and her husband, Tony, purchased a house last March and are now finally settled in. Lisa has been busy with university related work, including teaching online since March and research. Recently Lisa obtained funding from Escambia County, Fla., in a project surveying local waterway for pathogenic bacteria. Her two graduate students have defended their thesis proposals and are now ready to launch into their research.

Nancy Younan is a psychiatrist in private practice in Washington, D.C. She said, "My husband owns an art gallery, Gallery 2112, in Dupont Circle. We have a lovely 8-year-old daughter who is in the third grade at National Presbyterian School. We enjoyed most of this summer working remotely from the beach in Ocean City, Md."

I was glad to hear that all is well with Alaina Jenkins! She said she celebrated her 50th birthday by having an emergency root canal! Alaina added, "My trips to Paris and London, as well as my 50th birthday trip to South Africa, got postponed due to Covid-19, but hopefully, we will be able to take them next year. I was accepted into the Doctor of Ministry program at St. Mary's Ecumenical Institute and started classes this fall."

Kim Morrill said, "First and foremost, Go GREEN!" She is currently working as the executive director of an outpatient mental health clinic in White Marsh. She added that, "I just celebrated my 19th wedding anniversary with Linda. We have two teenage daughters; one plays the upright bass, and one is a gifted painter. Neither plays any sports, which seems weird to me. We feel very lucky that our entire family can work and go to school from home during this pandemic. I am hoping everyone is safe and healthy. BLM–VOTE!"

I was excited to chat with Greta Bart Zagarino. She said, "I continue to live in my little bubble in Hood River, Ore. We are about an hour east of Portland. I've

mostly been obsessed with running Greta Rose Agency (gretarose.com), my digital marketing firm, for the last several years. It's been amazing to help companies around the world pivot quickly to an elegant virtual business model. I get my fill of creativity and strategic development to keep me very happy, fulfilled, and on my toes. The most exciting news is around a few film clients. This week, if you turn on iTunes, you'll see two of my films in the top 20 film releases! The Secret: Dare to Dream, starring Katie Holmes & Josh Lucas, and Fantastic Fungi, narrated by Brie Larson of Captain Marvel. I was brought on to do all the digital marketing for both films, creating everything from the posters, logos, brand identities, content creation, audience engagement, to creating fun partnerships with companies like Goop and connecting to influencers like Joe Rogan and Marie Forleo. It's been a wild ride and very fun amid anxious global chaos. Like everyone else, I'm extremely aware of the world shifting, and I'm eager to look for ways I can be of service. This is a time for all of us to count our blessings and show up for each other. Not being able to travel home to Maryland to visit my family has been increasingly agonizing. My mom continues to thrive in Baltimore, and I wish I could give her a hug in person. I long to hold my new nephew in New York and hug my sisters. I'm so grateful for all of the good memories from SPSG, and if you ever find yourselves in PNW, we have a social distancing comfy place for you to stay that has your name on it!"

Lauryn McDonnell Morris emailed and said her family was "trying to move forward despite the challenges with Covid-19. Our son, Tucker (19) started his sophomore year at the University of Maryland and had an excellent freshman year. Justin (16) started his junior year at Dulaney High school. He played JV basketball in his freshman and sophomore years. Spencer (13) started eighth grade at Cockeysville Middle School. He played basketball on the school team, was on a travel team, and played for the recreation council. Dylan (11) started sixth grade at Cockeysville Middle School and plays soccer and basketball. My husband, Curt, is still with PNC Realty in commercial real estate. He volunteers by coaching a few of our boys in basketball. I am still working parttime with the McNor Group and enjoy the volunteering I do at the younger boys' schools with class parties and field trips. We really enjoyed getting away on vacation at the beach in Lavallette, N.J."

Anjali Gupta Mehta reported that this past year has been good. "Our son, Anand, completed his freshman year of high school, and our daughter, Kiran, finished seventh grade. My husband, Tejas, and I continue to build our dream home and are working on a pool. Kiran was in the Nutcracker ballet last December, and then we traveled to Santa Fe for skiing and relaxation. We have been home like everyone else since spring break, but we were able to get away to Vail, Colo., for three weeks in July. We hope 2021 will bring good changes on all fronts."

I, Marli Harrison Craig, kicked 2020 off recovering from knee surgery last December. I celebrated my 50th birthday being waited on since I was recovering and slightly incapacitated. Just as I was getting back to "normal" post-surgery, the pandemic hit the NYC area. I'd love to say that I enjoyed the family togetherness, constant cooking, cleaning, and "managing" disagreements regarding the overloaded internet we meant to have fixed pre-pandemic, but honestly, it had me wanting to run for the hills! Luckily, New Jersey opened golf courses in May, and I was able to play golf and resume normal pre-pandemic activity that got me away from the house. It has been tough to stay put and not travel for fun and to see family, and I hope to be able to see them all soon. I continued to work with SOMA Living magazine through the pandemic. Todd came home from his office in NYC on March 12, and

has not returned. He has become very comfortable in his basement office, and I love that his commute is a short staircase away. Harrison (20) decided to take some time off from school and is working full time. I am thrilled that Gunner (18) and Tyler (14) are both in one school at Xavier High School in NYC for in-person

## 1989

#### Laura Hammond Swoboda, Class Secretary

Greetings from the class of 1989. What a year it has been!

Our classmate Ereni Gleason Malfa is now the head of school of our beloved alma mater. It has been a joy for all of us to watch Ereni and her leadership. The love she has for SPSG is the same as it was 30 years ago. She filled me in on her latest news: "I LOVE being back at SPSG! The pandemic threw some unexpected challenges at me during my first year as head, but overall, it has been wonderful. My family and I are excited to be moving onto campus this year."

The class of 1989 enjoyed a Zoom session in May. It was so fun to catch up during the quarantine. Lisa Maslin Doherty stated, "I loved seeing so many of the class on our Zoom call. I've been playing a lot of tennis during the pandemic. My boys are great. Nolan is a senior at Loyola Blakefield and Ned is in eighth grade at St. Paul's. I am grateful to both schools for doing such a good job with online learning. We started college visits in the fall."

Asha Shetty Murphy added, "Kelsey is 13 and in the eighth grade at SPSG, while Connor is 17 and is a senior at St. Paul's. The only thing interesting was breeding our dog and whelping her litter of adorable babies. We kept two and will be doing it again in about a year. Jim is doing well and working hard from his home office."

Annie Whitescarver Brown shared, "Molly is in 10th grade at Garrison Forest and loves running cross country. Tucker entered the eighth grade at St. Paul's and is playing lacrosse, soccer, and squash anytime and all times he can." Annie has been promoted to head of broker/dealer distribution at T. Rowe Price and says, "I have an amazing team throughout the U.S. I miss traveling to see them and our clients, and I hope we are back to doing so soon."

Hollie Burdt Ellis reported that she is happy that everyone is staying free of Covid-19. Her son, Blake, is currently serving in the Navy. Hollie is a proud Navy mom. On the home front, she has added a service dog to her dental practice to help decrease dental anxiety. What is his name? Gator! Patients love him.

Jessica DiCicco Ferrill wrote, "Like many others since March, everyone in my family has been at home. Virtual learning went well in Casa Ferrill, but the kids looked forward to going back to school—Caroline in 10th, Charlie in eighth, Charlotte in seventh—this past fall. All three loved their first years at St. Paul's. Because everyone was at home, we decided to get another dog. Hans, the Great Pyrenees, joined us in April. He is Humphrey's (the Newfie) shadow and, quite frankly, Humphrey's dog. We had a great family trip to the Outer Banks in June. Caroline got her learner's permit as she turned 16 in September. While Trevor has been working from home since March, I have been working from the office. I am hopeful for a return to normalcy soon."

Eve Hurley Wabst shared, "Keely's first semester at University of Tampa was cut short by Covid-19. My mom is in End Stage 5 Parkinson's. I traveled to Florida twice this past summer, Deep Creek Lake, and then Charleston, S.C., at the end of August for a short vacation. I'll be heading back to Florida—Port Charlotte—to spend some time with my mom before the end." Angela Washington writes, "In these strange times, I have still been fostering my two little ones for almost two years now. The mommy role has certainly been an adjustment. My school transitioned to virtual learning at the start of the pandemic and trying to work from home with two toddlers has been less than ideal, but we have sorted it out with the support of my family. We were even able to take a short vacation to a private beach over Fourth of July weekend. The kiddos may soon be mine for good, but we are still going through that process. I would never have thought that I would be this age with two little ones, but in these times, nothing surprises me. Stay safe out there. Love you all." Finally, I, Laura Hammond Swoboda, have had a great year. I love having my boys home with me full time. Lawrence currently works from home for PNC. William completed sixth grade virtually at Dumbarton Middle School and is now in his second year there. He was so sad for school to close last spring because he had made many new friends and was involved in new clubs. We enjoyed our July Dewey Beach vacation with my mom, and some shorter trips to Bethany Beach. Walks, bike rides, scavenger hunts, gardening, and long car rides have been regular activities for us, and I think we have truly enjoyed a simplistic life. Stay well, classmates!

## 1990

#### Cara Loughlin, Class Secretary

No news submitted.



Becky Ortiz Cottrell, Class Secretary No news submitted.

## 1992

#### Missy Salihi Smith, Class Secretary

Jill St. Clair Ambrose still lives in McLean, Va., and works at The Washington Post. Jill says her husband and kids finally wore her down, and they got a rescue dog named Cash. Last winter, she was surprised to run into Michelle Walker at WISP. They happened to be staying in rooms right next to each other. Jill was thrilled to catch up with Michelle and to meet her husband and boys.

As director of the cardiac care unit at Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia, Nazi Moghbeli has been busy helping her hospital expand ICU capacity and care for the influx of Covid-19 patients they had during the spring surge. To recharge, she ramped up her art practice in her nearby art studio and is happy to share her updated website: www.nmoghbeli.com.

Sarah Little Butler lives in Folly Beach, S.C., with her husband, Drew, and their four children, Jack (14), Brooks (13), Madison (11), and Elizabeth (4). Sarah and Drew both practice law in Charleston, S.C. Sarah is the incoming president of the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys' Association. Her brother, Brad Little '96, his wife, Emily, and sons, Barrett and Wiley, recently moved to Charleston. Sarah and her family love being out on their boat and at the beach.

Missy Salihi Smith is excited to take on the position of president of the SPSG Parents' Association. Her daughter Kaylin is a senior, and daughter Avery is a freshman. Missy was thrilled to have the chance to give Kaylin her school ring in fall 2019. When not in Baltimore, Missy spends her time in Sherwood Forest and enjoys visiting her brother Alex Salihi '03, who lives in the Bahamas.

## 1993

#### Kelly Prill Decker, Class Secretary

Rachel Tipton Sakaduski has good reason to celebrate. Her pet-sitting and dog-walking business, Pet Patrol, just celebrated 21 years of business. Like most of us, she was affected by the pandemic, but luckily is back to work. She took advantage of the time off in the spring by tackling a major landscaping project at her house. While working outside on that project, Rachel got to meet many neighbors who were out walking and biking—folks she hadn't met in 20 years of living in the neighborhood—so she was happy to find some good in all the pandemic gloom!

Danielle Franks weathered the pandemic well in South Fort Myers! Since her plant nursery was deemed an essential business, she was able to work the whole time and even got a decent amount of landscaping work to boot. She says she had the best-case scenario; it's good for the environment and personal health just to be outside with nature. A week before quarantine, she enjoyed spending time on the beach with Hooter Hawks '94 and French Briton '94, who drove down for a visit.

For Liz Low Harlan, the pandemic was an opportunity to make a major life change. As Covid-19 forced the closure of both her schools, Liz explored other professional options and realized that she is as enthralled by mentoring young educators as she is by nurturing young children. As a result, she looks forward to beginning a new career teaching at the college level and helping new educators to discover their full potential. But the best part of the quarantine was investing time exclusively in her two sons: teaching them art, conducting science experiments, and doing fun things they would never have done together if the boys were at school.

Tricia Burdt Abbott is still teaching physical education and going into her 21st year. She has been teaching remotely. Tricia's twins, Paige and Paiton, are starting their first year at Towson University, where they will play lacrosse. Her son, Colin, is starting high school this year. Tricia has two amazing reasons to celebrate this year: her parents just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, and Tricia and her husband, John, just celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary.

Heather Spector Hallman wrote with news from Tokyo. Her daughters, Hannah and Josie, have been attending school in person; Tokyo has managed to conduct classes with some success at keeping the virus from spreading. Heather notes that 2020 was supposed to be a fantastic year in Tokyo—the city was scheduled to host the Summer Olympics, and Heather's family had been looking forward to enjoying all the festivities.

Missy Klingelhofer Erusta is still living in Istanbul with her husband, Burak. They had planned to relocate to the U.S. this summer to be closer to Missy's family, and Burak had planned to attend Georgetown Law School so that he could practice law in the U.S. Due to Covid-19, their plans have been put on hold indefinitely, but they remain at peace with the idea of staying in Turkey for a while. Missy has really settled into her life there and launched a successful business two years ago, providing private lessons in reading, writing, speaking, drama, and mindfulness to local Korean students.

Kelly Herget has been busy looking at colleges with her daughter, Shannon, who is a senior at Maryvale this year. They are living in Hunt Valley but enjoyed an extended vacation this summer in Fenwick Island, Del.

Stephanie Weintraub Bloom celebrated her 18th year living in London with her husband, Jon, and sons, Colin (16) and Lucas (15). Stephanie had the extraordinary experience of traveling to Brussels with members of the European Parliament and sitting in Parliament during voting just a few weeks prior to Brexit. Pre-lockdown, her family traveled to Singapore and Thailand for a wonderful, culture-infused holiday. Though their summer plans were postponed, they did take a road trip to the Cotswolds for a small holiday. During lockdown, Stephanie and her business partner launched their new business: www.settingpretty.com.

Kelly Levin Colón spent this summer marching and participating in weekly protests with the People's Power Assembly. Each week had a theme, including defunding the police, ending mass incarceration, providing free internet access to city students for the coming school year, standing up for Black women, trans lives matter, and more. Kelly reports that the events are very moving and have inspired her to work on the local level. She gets together with neighbors to discuss current events, educate others to get them to care about how less privileged people live, and brainstorm actual steps they can take to change the world.

Tevera Stith started this perplexing year with a stronger commitment to ministry as she was officially licensed to preach on Jan. 21, 2020. She says of her call to ministry, "It has enriched my life in many ways and further solidified my commitment to finding the ties that bind and stomping our systems of injustice that have splintered and divided us all for too long." While she continues to live in Washington, D.C., and work in education, she is spending more time consulting on issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Michelle Ward Calk and family have been making the best of the pandemic with family game and movie nights, backyard slip-and-slides, and homemade snowballs. She has been grateful to be able to enjoy more outside playtime with her son, Jaxson (6), and daughter, Gabriella (5).

As for me, Kelly Prill Decker, I have been trying to keep busy with projects around the house as production has been pretty much shut down for most of this year. Luckily, we wrapped filming on *Her Deadly Groom* before the pandemic, and it premiered on the Lifetime channel in July. It was fun to have something on television in the summer to make me forget that I haven't worked all year. I'm so glad to hear that in spite of this year's setbacks – or perhaps because of them – our classmates have found so many ways to achieve personal growth and to help others, and I look forward to seeing how everyone's journey continues in the coming year!

## 1994

#### Erin Knoska Crist, Class Secretary

Nicole Brummer lives in Baltimore with her husband, Brett, and 2-year-old daughter, Emily, a future Gator! She somehow finds time for family, fun, and Brummer Orthodontics.

Carrie Chilcoat Etheridge continues to live in Maryland with her husband, Randal, and their two daughters, Veronica (10) and Lola (7). Carrie is currently the director of social work at Sheppard Pratt, and her oldest started at SPSG this past fall!

Susan Creamer recently celebrated 10 years at the National Audubon Society, where she directs the organization's community engagement center for Baltimore. She and Lisa travel and take lots of nature-filled adventures with their son, Jimmy, who is 5 and loves skiing, hiking, and looking for bugs in the garden.

Joanna Khouri Swatik lives in Baltimore with her 9-year-old twins, Julian and Jade. She works for Wilmington Trust as a senior investment advisor.

Penny Kommalan Brisson writes, "Greetings from Louisville!" Penny has been working at home since March as a data visualization specialist for the Medicare giant, Humana. Right before Covid-19 hit, her 9-year-old daughter, Charlotte, raised over \$1,500 for childhood cancer research by shaving her head. They were so proud of her. In June, Penny's whole family went to Louisville to visit Marnie Kommalan Hoffman '96, Branson Kommalan '98, and Bill Kommalan '59. Her husband, Philip, still works as the organist at the Cathedral of the Assumption and has had lots of downtime in the COVID-19 era.

Kate Loughlin is still teaching dance—22 years now—at a private school and is doing the best she can in this pandemic. Sadly, Kate reports that her husband, Paul Gibson, passed away unexpectedly on Jan. 1, 2019. However, also very unexpectedly, she connected with a friend, Jim Ross, who had lost his wife in 2017 to cancer. Jim also beat cancer last summer. Kate included a picture of her and Jim on his Harley in the Smoky Mountains in late July. "Live for every day; you never know if it's your last."

Joelle Mandato Marr still lives in Portland, Ore. Her big news is that her daughter, Siena, graduated from Reed College this spring with a B.A. in environmental studies/economics. With this milestone, Siena joins Joelle, Joelle's husband, Crockett, and Bessie Oster Guy in the ranks of Reed graduates.

Christina Speed Karvounis and Pete live in Jacksonville Beach, Fla., where Christina is a lower school librarian, and Pete flies for FedEx. They enjoy family summers in coastal Maine. Evan is a senior, and Thomas is a sophomore. Just before Covid-19 hit, Christina and her family traveled to the Osa Peninsula in Costa Rica for hiking, surfing, and relaxing.

Katie Wertheimer Cairns is still busy as a mom and realtor with Monument Sotheby's International Realty, specializing in the Lutherville area. Katie and her family, Matt, Parker, and Paige, live in Lutherville.

Erin Knoska Crist writes, "Hello from Chicago! My husband, Tyson, kids, Declan (11) and Carys (8), and I were fortunate enough to take a cruise to the Western Caribbean in late January— that's probably the highlight of our Covid year, especially since the likelihood of a cruise happening again anytime soon is low. I'm still teaching at the University of Illinois at Chicago John Marshall School of Law and am adapting and adjusting to remote instruction and learning."

## 1995

#### Rachel Strutt Lassman, Class Secretary

Paula Herrfeldt Dillon writes, "Recently my fiancé and I moved out to the amazingly beautiful mountains of West Virginia and bought our dream home. We spend most of our days off four-wheel riding, camping with friends, and planning a wedding next spring or summer. My kids are wonderful, ages 20 and 15 now."

Tice Burke Pell is still living on Long Island with her husband, her daughter, Carter (7), and her son, Tommy (5).

Gwennie Furr has been using her stay-at-home time to connect with family and friends, to work on projects, and to spend time outdoors.

Megan McClure Abbruzzese recently took a new position with M&T Bank as a vice president of marketing after many years of part-time consulting. She is loving working from home for now. Her twins, Sam and Reeve, are in fifth grade, and her youngest, Charlie, is in first grade.

Audrey Comly Kennedy and her husband, George, live in Stoneleigh with their four children: Grayson (13), Piper (12), Hadley (10), and Scarlett (7). Grayson and Piper attend Dumbarton Middle School, while Hadley and Scarlett attend Stoneleigh Elementary School. Audrey is the program assistant for Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences Undergraduate Department at Loyola University Maryland. She enjoys supporting an awesome group of professors and students. The position gives her the summer off, so Audrey spends a lot of her time poolside and traveling. She cannot complain!

Buffy Razavi Sallee writes, "I'm still in the suburbs of Chicago and teaching. Last year I developed a 'Race and Identity' class for seniors and presented at a few conferences about my experience. I look forward to continuing this work in year two, even if remotely."

Rachel Strutt Lassman lives in Northern New Jersey with her husband and two sons, who are 11 and 13. She loves being a Montessori teacher and going on adventures with her family and friends.



Jennifer Girard Smith, Class Secretary No news submitted.

## 1997

#### Julie Adams Koenig, Class Secretary

The class of 1997 was heartbroken to learn of the tragic loss of Maeve Kennedy Townsend McKean and her beautiful son, Gideon. It is still surreal to think our class will now be 36 instead of 37. Maeve had an incredible spirit and an unforgettable laugh. She was generous and inspiring. Some of us were able to reconnect via Zoom to share memories of her and catch up. She brought us together again. We will all miss her.

Raven Dennis White is still living in Northern Virginia. She and her husband are busy preparing their son, Bryce, for kindergarten in the fall. She hasn't done much traveling in 2020 due to Covid-19. However, she celebrated her 40th birthday year in true style. First, she rented a villa in Barbados with her close friends for a week. Then, Raven went to Monaco for the F1 Grand Prix and had an amazing time yachting and meeting some of the drivers. She loves keeping up with classmates on Facebook and Instagram and is completely heartbroken about the loss of our classmate, Maeve.

As for myself, Julie Adams Koenig, I am still living in Frederick with my husband, Keith, my son, Jake (13), and my daughter, Avery (9). We recently bought a new house on 10 acres and are busy remodeling. I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy.

#### 1998

#### Molly Jackson and Meredith Strutt Mighty, Class Secretaries

Hello, class of 1998! I, Meredith Strutt Mighty, hope everyone is staying healthy, happy, and well.

Since last year, Linda Thieman has run a theatre on Maui called ProArts Playhouse. In 2018, before she became the executive director, ProArts had put on a play that Linda had written, co-directed, co-produced, costumed, and acted in called *Vindication: Scenes from the Life of Mary Wollstonecraft.* The film of the show is available on the new Quarantainment section of their website at www.proartsmaui.com. Congratulations, Lin!

## 1999

#### Tiffany Mullan Hanyan, Class Secretary

Alicia Brummer Dotterrer states, "I am still working as a women's health nurse practitioner in Denver. Duncan, Julian (4), Leo (1), and I went to Glenwood Hot Springs this past June and got to relax and soak in some beautiful outdoor pools. Our quarantine go-to has been











- 1/ Tricia Burdt Abbott '93 with Gator, service dog of Hollie Burdt Ellis '89
- 2/ Missy Salihi Smith '92, Eric Smith '89, Kaylin '21, and Avery '24 at Ring Day 2019
- 3/ Madison, Brooks, and Elizabeth, the daughters of Sarah Little Butler '92, headed for a swim in Charleston, S.C.
- 4/ Members of the class of '93 gathered to celebrate a visit from Missy Klingelhofer Erusta, who had flown in from Istanbul for the holidays. Pictured L – R are: Missy, Gina Piscopo, Liz Low Harlan, Sophie Furr, Liz Purvis Masom, Kelly Herget, Rachel Tipton Sakaduski, and Lauren Buerger Holub

5/ Kelly Levin Colón '93 participated in a recent People's Power Assembly march and car caravan

6/ Shannon Spilman, daughter of Kelly Herget '93



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- 7/ Josie and Hannah, daughters of Heather Spector Hallman '93, celebrate Hannah's first day of pre-school in Tokyo
- 8/ Kate Loughlin '94 with friend Jim Ross
- 9/ Some class of 1995 friends gather in Houston this past January
- 10/ Enjoying a holiday mini-reunion are: Rachel Tipton Sakaduski '93, Tevera Stith '93, Liz Low Harlan '93, and Kelly Herget '93
- 11/ Matt, Parker, and Paige with Katie Wertheimer Cairns '94
- 12/ Gwennie Furr '95 and her daughter, Annabelle (18), at Susquehanna State Park in Maryland











- 13/ Charlotte, daughter of Penny Kommalan Brisson '94, shaving her head to raise money for Cancer Research
- 14/ Emily, daughter of Nicole Brummer '94
- 15/ Playbill that Linda Thieman '98 wrote, co-directed, co-produced, costumed, and acted in
- 16/ Adele (3) and Jameson (1 mo.), children of Tiffany Mullan Hanyen '99
- 17/ Bryce, the son of Raven Dennis White '97
- 18/ Christina Speed Karvounis '94 with her sons

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- 19/ Alison Knott Degryse '95, Megan McClure Abbruzzese '95, Buffy Razavi Sallee '95, Amy Douglas Cohan '95, Tice Burke Pell '95, Meghan McGlone Harrison '95, Erika Moravec Jaeggli '95, and Danielle Brewster Oster '95 in Houston
- 20/ Hayes Awad, son of Hilary Polk-Williams '99
- 21/ Hilary Polk-Williams Awad '99 and husband, Garrett
- 22/ Alicia Brummer Dotterrer '99 and Julian (4)
- 23/ Tiffany Mullan Hanyen '99, Adele (3), and Jameson (1 mo.)
- 24/ Duncan and Leo (1), family of Alicia Brummer Dotterrer '99

biking a ton. We are starting to pick up some speed as a group of four."

Holly Freedman Radel comments, "I consider myself lucky to be able to work from home during this pandemic, along with my husband. However, trying to manage a full-time job and a toddler at the same time can be exhausting. Max, who is almost 2, has been comic relief during the quarantine and constantly catches us off guard, such as when he colored on our hardwood floors while my husband was on a conference call or when he pops into my virtual Board meetings unexpectedly. I send all my love to my class of '99 sisters and especially to those who have experienced this pandemic more directly than I have, have more than one kid, have school-age kids, or have any other extra challenges at this time. Quarantinis with my husband and toddler dance parties with my son have been keeping me sane! I think I would tell my 1999 self that you can't do it all, but you can do something."

Kristen Blackman Hohenstein notes, "Not too much new here in North Carolina. We have been taking things one day at a time like everyone else. I have really appreciated the extra time with my children—Charlotte is 4, and Michael is 1. We've also been able to spend some extra time at the beach this year, which has been a nice bonus of the work-from-home culture. Unfortunately, it seems like our go-to quarantine song is Baby Shark. Michael is obsessed!"

Read Murray Timken writes, "This past summer, we went to Deep Creek with Kiersten Huber Pearce and her family. It was so much fun to watch our families enjoy time together. Our highest high and lowest low is the same: quarantine with the family. I have loved spending more time with John, Caroline, and Ellie, but some days are extremely hard. Quarantine go-to is exercise, spurred on because of my cooking and baking. My go-to music is still DMB. Hasn't changed since ninth grade!"

Melissa Mardelli Jenkins says, "Among the craziness of 2020, this was the year we welcomed our first baby. The long-awaited arrival of Ely Patrick Jenkins occurred on June 2. He is by far the most beautiful thing to have happened to me, and he is my highest of highs. I spent my last trimester in lockdown and my full maternity leave as well. I have watched a lot of *Schitt's Creek* and, of course, *Hamilton*. 2020 is so different than what I had ever imagined, but what I have learned in adulthood and would like to tell my high school self is that you cannot control everything in life. Things will happen that you cannot change, that are difficult and incomprehensible, but if you have patience and faith, something very beautiful can happen."

Laura Ciekot Newell notes, "I think it is beautiful that the class of '99 continues to be there for one another, whether that's supporting one another, challenging one another, or maintaining the bond we had. Although distant and faded with time and literal distance, that special-something our class always had is still there, underlying. I thank this group of strong, smart, kind women for continuing to care about one another, our families, and our communities. Highest high and lowest low has been working full-time while parenting full-time since March. At a digital health startup, these have been some of the craziest months of my working career-crazier than my time at Apple! My company developed and launched a Covid-19 risk reduction and return-to-work product backed by former FDA and CMS chiefs in three months. In parallel, the moments I've had with my 3-year-old daughter while juggling being a mom have been unforgettable. I've seen her grow and learn in so many ways I never would have seen had I been in a boardroom. So, despite the craziness, I'm thankful for the time with her. My quarantine go-to is sleep. As for music, our house has 'Lovely Day' by Bill Withers on repeat-an anthem for keeping going.

Hillary Polk-Williams Awad writes, "At 32 weeks pregnant in January 2020, my husband Garett and I moved cross-country from New York to San Francisco for a new job. I am now the head of brand development for two-time NBA MVP, entrepreneur, and philanthropist Stephen Curry and all his off-court business. I worked for three months and went into labor just in time for International Women's Day and the lockdown. We are thriving out West and have just settled into Noe Valley now that I am back to work. The best part is that my sister, Alison Polk-Williams LaBadie '99, had a baby eight weeks prior on the day we arrived in San Francisco. Unfortunately, due to Covid-19, I have not yet met her baby, nor she mine."

Kiersten Huber Pearce says, "Spending extra time with my kids has been beautiful and challenging, and I'm sure many other moms can relate. In the past year, my mom moved from Michigan to Delaware, so now she's only an hour and a half away. It's so great having her close by and within driving distance. Our quarantine go-to has been Sunday Adventures. We hop in the car and just go. One drive took us to see Tiffany Mullan Hanyen and her family while they were quarantining on their family farm. Lately, I have had a mix of classical music, NPR, and KidzBop playing on my speakers."

Tiffany Mullan Hanyen notes, "In January we welcomed Jameson 'Jamie' Douglas into our family. Watching our daughter, Adele, fall in love with him, and he fall for her, has been one of the most beautiful things I have ever seen. It has also been our highest of highs. Quarantine has helped me get back into cooking. Working and being home with two is not easy, but at the same time, being able to see my littles grow, change, and experience life has been amazing. On days I can fit in a morning workout, I'm a much better parent, wife, and co-worker. Quarantine also brought us Saturday Night Movie Night. With a 3-year-old, that basically means Frozen. So, most of the time, our quarantine music is one of the Frozen soundtracks. When I do get to pick, we have had some of the Spotify Radio Stations on repeat, especially the ones we can have a dance party to. If I could tell my 1999 self anything, it would be to expect the unexpected, but never stress about being ready for what the unexpected will entail. You are as ready for what will happen as you ever will be."

## 2000

#### Ellen Brooks Delaplane, Class Secretary

I hope everyone is staying healthy and safe. Happy tenyear reunion. A big thanks to **Maggie Kallmyer Klaes** and **Eleni Popomaronis Bowden** for organizing our virtual reunion party in May. I hope we can be together again soon for an epic celebration!

Maggie Kallmyer Klaes is still working at Pearson, where the world of virtual education is thriving. Amidst the pandemic, with two littles at home, Maggie's work life has been busier than ever. Charlie (4) and Tessa (2) keep Maggie and her husband, Brad, on their toes and keep them laughing.

Eleni Popomaronis Bowden and her family are still living in Baltimore. This year Eleni started seeing clients privately for speech services right outside of her house. It's been great. She's been spending a lot of time outdoors with the kids. The Bowden family traveled to Ocean City, Md., and Indianapolis this year.

Nina Diemer Diehl and her four wonderful daughters ages 10, 8, 3, and 3—are surviving Covid-19 in Chicago. They have been going on lots of walks, trying to find nature, and taking opportunities to protest police violence. Nina is a proud Chicago Public Schools math teacher and appreciates her wonderful and patient SPSG teachers for putting up with her nonsense when she was a student. Sarah Slattery Bollard and her husband, Andrew, welcomed a joyful baby girl, Willow Frances Bollard, on March 31, 2020—right at the start of the Covid-19 stay-at-home order. Sarah has loved being home with Willow.

Laura DiCamillo continues to work in private practice for outpatient mental health as a therapist. Her two boys, ages 5 and 3, enjoyed a summer of quarantine and swimming.

This year Katie Kotiza got married. She and her husband, Curtis, welcomed a healthy baby boy, Gregory Curtis Brennan, in July. Katie is still working for Rodan + Fields and living in the Bay Area.

Jayme Katz enjoyed her first year of being a Girl Scout mom and running cookie booths for the Brownie troop. Jayme's daughter, Izzy, is a second grader at St. Paul's Lower School. They are loving being a St. Paul's family. Jayme's wife, Merissa, was the project manager that oversaw construction of the Guinness Open Gate Brewery in Baltimore, so they have enjoyed hanging out there.

Camie McComas Kury's sons are busy and well; Aiden is in fifth grade and Connor is in first grade. The boys play lacrosse in the summer and football and soccer in the fall. Camie is still tutoring and substitute teaching, and her husband, Chris, is still teaching and athletic training at Boys' Latin.

Camille Moses-Allen is a senior teacher trainer for YogaWorks Baltimore, and she is the manager of teacher training and development. She lives in Federal Hill with her boyfriend, Steve, and teaches yoga classes and teacher training on Zoom.

Kate Kennedy Reinemund and her husband, Jonathan, are still living in Denver and loving life close to the mountains. They welcomed their third baby girl, Hazel, in May 2020. Kate works in philanthropy, investing in early childhood development systems.

Jill Haak Bohnenkamp is on the faculty at the National Center for School Mental Health at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. She and her husband, Brian, live in Washington, D.C. with their two daughters, Gabrielle (5) and Vivianne (3).

Dasha Rettew is back home in NYC after quarantining on Long Island during Covid-19; she reports that everyone is healthy. This past summer, Dasha and her husband, Cooper, celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary, as well as their daughter Boden's first birthday and first steps. Their fur-child, Indy, continues to be the perfect big brother. Dasha works with Cooper at their company, Reservoir Advisors, and stays involved as a trustee and Alumni Association Board president at NYU.

It was a very special year for Rose Acoraci Zeck and her family as they welcomed Anna Caroline Zeck in November 2019. Her son, Andrew (3), is thoroughly enjoying his new role as big brother. Their hearts and hands—are very full. Rose and her family live in McLean, Va., and she continues to practice law in DC.

Morgan Moses-Allen has been working for Subsystem Technologies, Inc. as the business development manager working with DoD, FAA, and Army-based government contractors. Throughout the pandemic, she has been moving between DC, Northern Virginia, and Annapolis. In her spare time, she is still dancing, modeling, and acting. Morgan is looking forward to getting back to her travels, face-to-face meetings, and businesses ventures in 2021.

Victoria Guroian Sanders lost her wonderful mother, June Vranian, in October 2019 to a rare disease called pulmonary fibrosis. She hopes to volunteer for the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation in the future to help advance its call for research and pharmaceutical innovation. She and her three children launched a homeschooling effort just as Victoria concluded she is philosophically opposed to the idea. Ellen Brooks Delaplane still works as an advertising account director for GKV in Baltimore. She lives in Surfside Beach, S.C. with her husband, Channing.



#### Patricia Johnson Bernardini, Class Secretary

Meredith Jakubowski Levi and her husband, Nick, took a quick getaway to Mexico for an adults-only vacation with friends in February. Ben (7) is in first grade, and Connor (4.5) is in his last year of preschool. Meredith is still working at Lilly Pharmaceuticals and recently took a new position in market research.

Lauren English and her husband, Chris, welcomed Boden Keith Lillemoe in July, and Maverick is loving his new role as big brother. Maverick is 6 and started first grade this fall, and Boden started at St. Paul's Preschool. Lauren is still the director of marketing at Goucher College.

Sara Hodges Ismart celebrated 14 years working at T. Rowe Price in March. She and her family traveled to Martha's Vineyard in June. Emma (5) is in kindergarten, and Tommy (3) started a "3s" program.

Bonnie Wilt Knight and family are still living in Towson, and she is loving her job at Kennedy Krieger Institute. Kate (6) and Molly (8) are in first and third grade, respectively, at St. Paul's Lower School.

Meg Spies Freeman and family are doing well in Franklin, Tenn. Wells (9) and Gray (8) spent the summer mountain biking, playing with cousins, and swimming on their neighborhood swim team. The Freemans have really enjoyed all the extra family time. The boys are back in school at Christ Presbyterian Academy; Wells is in fourth grade and Gray is in second grade. Meg really loves volunteering and being a part of the school community.

Lauren Demme Carlson is still living in Guam with John and their son, Bodhi (18 months). Lauren finished her first semester of nursing school, and she continues to sell real estate. Even with the pandemic, she was lucky enough to do her clinicals in the summer and looks forward to continuing this semester.

Sara Bonner Hughes finished year two of her master's in psychotherapy and has really loved working with clients this past year as a "trainee" therapist, as they are called in England. Sara and Paul are still living in London with their two boys, Leo (5) and Raphael (3). They traveled to Wales and Scotland this past summer. Leo started school in September and Raphael is continuing in preschool.

Brooke Davidson is still living in Baltimore and working as the regional oncology manager for GSK.

Paige Unitas Prossner moved to a new house in Annapolis and started a new job at Price Modern Furniture.

Lele Murray Horich and her husband, Chris '96, welcomed their daughter, Whitney, last January; their son, Riley, is 3.5. Lele is still working at McDonogh as a middle school learning specialist. She also started playing tennis in her free time.

Kelly Nocher Riepe and her dad opened their third location of Uber Bagels & Deli in Timonium in fall 2019. Their other locations are in Ocean City (between 126th and 127th) and in Severna Park. Kelly and Alec spent a week at the beach this past summer with their girls, Lucy (4.5) and Ella (2.5). Both girls are in school at St. Paul's Preschool, and Kelly is still on the Board of Trustees for The St. Paul's Schools.

Lauren Ketryn Porter Martin still lives in Los Angeles with her husband, Arik. When the lockdown was

enforced, Lauren was working in the school system and in the office of a substitute distribution company, and Arik was working on a television show. At the end of the summer, Arik was able to return to work, and Lauren has continued her work on her horror movie comedy podcast, "Kim and Ket Stay Alive...Maybe."

Sabrina Murray is still loving her job at SPSG as dean of students and Spanish teacher. In her free time, she has been doing lots of crocheting and piano-playing.

Tonya Taylor is still living in Connecticut and working for Novartis. She traveled to Jordan and Israel in February and highly recommends both countries for their amazing food and hospitality.

Julie Goode Smith and her husband, Tim, are still living in Michigan. In December 2019, they welcomed their son, Carter Grey, to the family. He is a very curious child who already loves the outdoors! Julie continues to run her business, The Techie Teacher, from home. Between being a new mom and the rise of online learning, she has been quite busy and is loving every minute.

Kelly Jaeger Ruggieri and her family are still in Annapolis. The twins, Topher and Alex, are 15 months and are constantly on the move. Kelly is still a boat loan agent for Intercoastal Financial Group. They spent some time this past summer at their house in Ocean City.

Erin Sloneker moved to DC last year to work for a real estate non-profit that focuses on responsible land use and healthy community building. She has really enjoyed the change in subject matter, especially with a renewed focus on underserved communities during the pandemic. In the beginning of 2019, she traveled to Amsterdam, Miami, and the Bahamas.

Elizabeth Prenger Lawson is still running her design firm, Elizabeth Lawson Design, and one of her projects was recently featured in Better Homes and Gardens. She and her family took an extended vacation last summer to their home in South Carolina.

Meredith Alcarese Lorenzen, Brian, and their two boys, Mac (5) and Miles (2), left their house in Brooklyn in early March as the lockdown began in NYC. Luckily, they were able to head upstate to the house they have been fixing up. A bit more space for the boys to run! Meredith has enjoyed many DIY projects at the new house.

Lauren Whitty O'Connell and her husband welcomed their baby girl, Cameran, in October 2019. Their son, Colton, is 2, and baby number three is due in February! She is still selling real estate with her mom and loving the flexibility to also be home with the kids.

Kelli Sussman Jarvis and her husband, Alec, welcomed a baby girl, Olivia Louise, in January 2019. Their son, Henry, is 4. After Covid-19 hit NYC in March, they moved to Baltimore for a few months and then bought a house in Rye, N.Y., where they recently moved.

Emmy Brooks McCormick, her husband, Jesse, and their daughter, Ellery (20 months), have been living outside of Boston since the lockdown in NYC in March. Emmy is still working remotely at the same PR/ marketing agency that she has been at for 11 years, and Jesse is still working at Columbia University and going full time for his MBA. Ellery is living her best life being able to be with cousins and grandparents and enjoying trips to Lake Winnipesaukee.

Brin Blucher Zink is still working as a buyer at Smyth Jewelers, buying engagement rings, wedding bands, some fashion lines, and giftware. Tommy (10.5) is in middle school, Arden (7) is in first grade, and Leighton (5) began kindergarten, all at Calvert School.

Joanna Fourtinakis is very excited that she and her family are moving back to the US from Chaniá, Greece. Her husband is opening a manual physiotherapy clinic like the one he owned and operated in Greece. Joanna recently finished building her family's summer loft, doing everything from the concrete up. She really enjoyed the project and is considering going back to school for interior design/architecture once back in the United States.

Crickett Herrmann Kasper and her family celebrated one year of living in Singapore in July. They are all loving this new adventure filled with a crazy amount of wildlife, endless summer, and lots of new foods to try. Crickett is working as the chief advancement officer at the Singapore American School, and Matthew is taking a break from teaching for the moment. Their son, Magnes, turned 4 over the summer and their daughter, Evie, is 18 months.

Solmaz Sarhaddi, her husband, Kyle, and their son, Sebastian (2), are living in Hermosa Beach, Calif., just a few blocks from the beach. Solmaz has been taking time off from law to stay home with Sebastian and is excited about his new adventure at a local Montessori school.

As for me, Patricia Johnson Bernardini, I am still living in Malvern, Pa. Kevin, Logan (5), and I went to Ocean City, Md., in June and September. It was nice to have a change in scenery! Logan started pre-k in September and is still playing soccer and doing yoga.

## 2002

#### Molly Ahearn Allen, Class Secretary

Caroline Thaler Alcarese believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Molly Ahearn Allen believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER. She is committed to educating herself on systemic racism and working every day both to be an antiracist and to lift up and promote the voices of Black and brown women in particular. She also wishes to express condolences to the members of the SPSG community who have lost friends and family members to Covid-19.

Adriene Boone challenges ALL to use their money and/or resources to help great local organizations in the Baltimore area that are committed to advancing the equitable outcomes of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC): Fight Blight Bmore, Mikey's Miracle Foundation, Black Girls Global Exchange, A Revolutionary Summer, and B360 Stem Education Program. BLACK LIVES MATTER... today, tomorrow, always—IN ALL WAYS!

Caroline Ayers Cesa believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Keeli Davis believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Allison Schindler D'Anjou is committed to doing the work to educate herself, to be vocally antiracist, and to teach her children about systemic racism in our community. She will listen, learn, ask, educate, fail forward, and then try again because ALL BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Alexis DeVance is working towards Black Liberation, cultivating healing spaces, and curating Black and Brown joy. You can support organizations she works with on the front lines in the Twin Cities such as the Ananya Dance Theater's Shawngram Institute for Performance and Justice in St. Paul. If you are BIPOC, Queer, or an ally, visit streetdanceactivism.com and follow their Global Meditation for Black Liberation. Her other practices are updated for this time on Instagram: @getdiswardance and @aramintarose. If you have an organization or institution with a budget and are interested in funding undoing racism training, Alexis recommends The People's Institute for Survival and Beyond. More importantly, statements of solidarity are cute, but the real work starts first at home. Tara Gillespie believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Archana Srinivas Hudson is thinking of those who have suffered loss from, and continue to fight against, Covid-19 and racial injustice. BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Nicki Hunt believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Ashley Rytter Kline believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Emily Cobb Link believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Ellen Dorsey Lischin-Smith believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Anna Burns MacDonald believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Danica Strutt MacMullan is committed to doing the work to educate herself and teach her children about systemic racism in our community. She will listen, learn, ask, educate, fail forward, and then try again because ALL BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Eleni Makris wishes health and strength to all her classmates during this difficult year and would like to reiterate the quote: "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

Rachel Mauro suggests these recent reads: "How to Be an Antiracist" by Ibram X. Kendi, "Invisible Women" by Caroline Criado Perez, and "Charged" by Emily Bazelon. They have challenged and deepened her perceptions of systematic prejudice and oppression. She is also grateful to several of the members of the class of 2002 for their thought-provoking discussion about how best to relay the message that BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Christina Anderson Menchini believes BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Bonnie Nugent believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Rachel Scherr Rowan rejects the division being sown across the country and stands with her friends, colleagues, and, of course, classmates in saying loudly and clearly, BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Katie Libby Schroeder believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Krista Townsend Silvers believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Lisa Smith is committed to doing the internal and external work necessary to help dismantle racism and hopes that conversations about racial equity continue among SPSG alumni and the broader private school community. Please consider supporting Fearlessly Loving Yourself, Inc., which inspires confidence and personal advancement of underserved girls in Southwest Baltimore City through mentoring and building opportunities for success.

Katherine Smith believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Stephanie Bendos Sullivan believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Tara Lalley Tarighi believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Ashley Welsh Alto believes that what is happening in her life does not matter until BLACK LIVES MATTER. Erica Wisner Wright believes that what is happening in her life does not matter with BLACK LIVES MATTER.

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## 2003

#### Scarlett Corso, Class Secretary

Jenny Sharp continues to live in Atlanta, Ga., with her husband, Brian Maloney, and four-year-old daughter,

Teagan. She is a board-certified cardiovascular and pulmonary physical therapist. Jenny is employed by Emory University School of Medicine as an assistant professor for the Division of Physical Therapy. She has presented at numerous national conferences this year on her work focused on interprofessional education, as well as simulation as a tool for education. Jenny is continuing her education at the College of Professional Studies at Northeastern University to pursue a Doctor of Education degree.

Claire Edelen and her husband welcomed their baby boy, Henry Hennegan Greulich, on December 19, 2019. He is a sweet, smiley boy, and they are so happy to have him in their lives.

Kristin Connelly is still living in Newport Beach, Calif., and has been working at Activision Blizzard in professional e-sports since 2017. In March, her work responsibilities expanded to also oversee marketing for Call of Duty League, in addition to the Overwatch League. In July 2020, she was able to make it back home to Maryland to spend time with her niece, who was born in February.

Although Covid-19 is presenting new challenges, 2020 is also a year of celebration for Aja Page Hill. In September 2020, Aja will celebrate 10 years at Microsoft. The 10 years have prepared her to take on some of her biggest challenges yet, supporting major federal customers, United States House of Representatives, NASA, and United States Air Force, as they transition to work from home with Microsoft Teams. Thankfully, Aja's love for yoga gives her a way to escape. If you are a member of Brick Bodies, join Aja in a socially distanced, in-person vinyasa yoga class at Brick Bodies Padonia on Thursdays at 6 p.m.

Parker Scott Slaton is still living in Newark, Del., raising her kids, Cole (8), Ibbie (7), John Hall (4), Brooks (2).

Lauren Vitrano and her husband welcomed twin boys in May 2020. They are completely in love with their boys and are kept constantly on their toes. There's never a dull moment when you have two newborns at once, and they can only imagine the excitement when the boys start to become more mobile.

Julie Sturm Carolan is still living in Perry Hall, Md., enjoying her two children, Thomas (4) and Holly (2).

Nicole Brynes is working as a psychiatric nurse practitioner at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pa. She lives with her husband, Sam, and toddler, Elijah, and has been working on designing and building a farmhouse and orchard, a labor of many years. More recently, she gave birth to a new baby girl, Ruth Linden Hoffman, on July 16, 2020.

I, Scarlett Corso, am celebrating 10 years of practicing law and have accepted a position as a senior attorney at Franklin & Prokopik, P.C., a downtown Baltimore law firm, where I specialize in insurance defense in matters of civil litigation. I recently moved out of my rowhome in Canton and onto Sue Creek in Essex, Md. When I am not boating on the weekends in Middle River, I am busy serving as a mentor for SPSG's Baltimore Girls' Schools Leadership Coalition, serving as the public education co-chair of the Young Lawyers' Division of the Baltimore City Bar Association, or singing and acting in local theater productions. Most recently, I starred in "9 to 5: The Musical" at the Chesapeake Arts Center in February 2020 and cannot wait to return to the stage someday post-Covid-19.

## 2004

#### Vani Takiar, Class Secretary

Class of 2004, life has been interesting in 2020, and I am so happy to have heard from many of you.

Helena Cignarale Ilardo lives in Baltimore, Md., with her husband, C.J. '03, and their two sons, Charlie and Harrison. They welcomed a baby girl this fall!

Jessie Benson had a busy summer opening two new standup paddleboard businesses in Baltimore and at the beach. She is still leading international and domestic retreat experiences through her travel company, FloYo Travels, as well as teaching corporate yoga and fitness classes and leading SUP certifications.

Danielle Solomon Turner is loving life with her family in Colorado. She is a writer for CNN, staying plenty busy given today's wild news cycle. In her free time, she enjoys hiking, attempting to keep up with her two-yearold daughter, and traveling the world.

Rosina Ciattei Koehn continues to work for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Baltimore. She welcomed her second child, Amelia Rose, in June 2020. She resides in Forest Hill with her husband, Pat, and daughters, Madelyn and Amelia.

Bronwyn Lewis Friscia and her husband James welcomed their daughter, Idyllwilde Bryony, to the world on May 2, 2020. "Idyllwilde" captures what they hope she will find in this world—peace and adventure—and "Bryony" honors Bronwyn's late father Bryan and his love of unusual literary names. Bronwyn has been loving reciting her old SPSG poetry recitation contest favorites to Idyllwilde. She and James are still living in Venice Beach, Calif., and hope to visit the East Coast soon so that Idyllwilde can spend some wonderful extended quality time with Grandmamá Barbara.

Wesley Michael Yampolsky enjoys spending quality family time with her husband and their daughter, Isla, at their home in Philadelphia. Wesley continues to work for Spencer Stuart, a global executive search firm, and spends her remaining spare time texting her SPSG friends in their painfully witty group chat.

Catherine Onnen Chasen gave birth to her fourth baby boy on June 1, 2020. She had a wonderful summer soaking in every moment with her family in Baltimore and at their beach home.

Annie Wagner Jubb and her husband, Jerry, are still enjoying life in Annapolis, Md., with their three children: Rhodes (4), Livingston "Livi" (2.5), and Pierce (1). They live next door to Annie's family, and they love that their kids are growing up together. Jerry is working with Pyramid Builders managing the development of the New South Annapolis Yacht Centre. Annie loves her days at home with the kids and designing jewelry for Anna Livingston, her hand-crafted earring collection. She continues her volunteer work with women from around the world in Arlington, Va.

Ally Beauchamp Gaines and her husband, Jeff, traveled to Tanzania in February 2020 for their honeymoon. They went on safari in the Serengeti, where they were fortunate enough to see all the big cats.

Leslie Koch Sullivan is living in Eastport with her husband, Paul, and baby girl, Sutton, who turned 1 in July, soaking up the extra time they've been able to spend together. Leslie was honored to stand next to her little sister, Alli Koch Coppola '07, as she said "I Do" in July!

Emma Connor Wesoloski is now the vice president of marketing and engagement strategy for the National Aquarium. As with the rest of the world, Emma; her husband, Scot; her almost three year old, Ellie; and their dog, Camden, have had a lot of time to bond at home in 2020.

Courtney Beese lives in Aspen, Colo. She loves being out west and spending the winter skiing. She works at Kemo Sabe.

And I, Vani Takiar, am still enjoying being a pediatric dentist. Stay safe, everyone!

#### Carey Smith Pedersen, Class Secretary

The Class of 2005 conducted an anonymous survey, and 52 out of 60 classmates responded and collectively decided to submit a unified class note. We would like to send our condolences to all of the graduates in our grade who have lost family members and loved ones in the 2019 and 2020 calendar years. Additionally, the graduating class of 2005 would like to extend their condolences to all SPSG graduates that have lost loved ones as a result of Covid-19.

We appreciate the community engagement and statements made by The St. Paul's Schools about systemic racism. We agree that change is needed at The St. Paul's Schools and that it must begin within the school's community. We accept the school's statement to act with purpose to ensure that it is truly an inclusive and respectful climate for all. We are optimistic that such actions will be taken and appreciate the school's commitment to be better.

Hate and racism are pervasive diseases that poison every aspect of American life. Systemic racism shows up in horrific headlines, but whether there is a headline or not, racism is just as horrific and largely unchallenged in aspects of everyday life: in education, in drastic health disparities, and in the disgusting legacy of racist housing policies and disinvestment, not to mention the unjust and vicious criminal justice system. Racism is everywhere. We must address the racist structures that have led us to this moment, which include education.

Collectively the graduates of 2005 would like to state: BLACK LIVES MATTER.

Jacqueline Blucher Ariosa comments, "I am a registered dental hygienist working for a private dental practice and living in Lutherville, Md. My husband, Adam, and I have a two-year-old daughter, Ellie, and recently welcomed a baby boy, Whitaker, in April. We are really enjoying this stage of life with our little ones and cannot wait to see what the next year brings as a family of four!"



#### Caitlin Harbold Hutcheon, Class Secretary

Rachel Cook Fontana graduated from Johns Hopkins University's Carey Business School with her MBA in December 2019. To celebrate, Rachel and her husband hiked the storied W-Trek in Torres del Paine National Park in Chilean Patagonia.

Alex Kahn lives in Honolulu and works in media production, marketing, and policy focused on positive environmental change. She is currently working on two documentaries. She runs her own business and a nonprofit, and she co-parents a rescue pup.

Dani Levin Kooperman writes, "I was supposed to get married May 9, 2020 but due to Covid-19 had to postpone the wedding. However, my husband, Brian, surprised me and had a surprise Zoom wedding for me on the date."

Caitlin Herman Wehniainen lives in south Florida and owns a technology services firm supporting healthcare and government clients nationally. She has 20 employees, and the firm is growing fast. She and her husband, Josh, are in the process of building a new home in Boca Raton, Fla.

Courtney Fields Robson and her husband welcomed their first child, Knox, in May. They are enjoying showing him around Chicago, where they live, and are excited that he will be able to grow up with his cousin, Charlie, who was born just 10 days earlier to Caroline Fields Brock '09. Courtney is finishing her nutrition therapy master certification and is looking forward to starting her holistic nutrition therapy journey next year.

Meghan Smith Lawson and her husband welcomed their first baby, Levi James, in May. She and her family still live in Richmond, Va. Meghan works as a child psychologist in private practice.

As for me, Caitlin Harbold Hutcheon, I have been busy teaching childbirth classes (now on Zoom) and taking classes for my community health education master's program through Towson University. It has been interesting adopting distance learning this year as both the teacher and student. My husband and I also welcomed our second child, Clementine, in April. We were lucky to already be planning a homebirth, so the labor wasn't too affected by Covid-19 restrictions.

## 2007

#### Suzanne Boone McAvoy, Davis Garcia Lush, Class Secretaries

Christen Carpenter currently lives in Newport Beach, Calif., and works in hospitality and service for Gulfstream at Hillstone Restaurant Group. She plans to attend graduate school this upcoming year to pursue her master's degree in social change and innovation at the University of Southern California. She loves her new city and her new career path and is very excited to return to school.

Maggie Dunbar Colonell and her husband, Sam, are still living in Baltimore with their growing family. In November 2019, she had a baby boy named Kevin Burke Colonell. He was 8 pounds, 15 ounces. She is loving being a stay-at-home mom to Kevin and to her 2-year-old daughter, Lindley. They keep her very busy.

Julia Hashim Riismandel and her husband, Tim, welcomed their first child, John Henry Riismandel, in May.

Ali Hodges Stokes and her husband, Hunter, welcomed their first child, Tallon, in early January. He's a sweet, loving 11-month-old and the best thing to ever happen to them. Ali is still working as an agency field specialist for State Farm. They've been working from home since Covid-19 began, and they're enjoying getting to spend more time with the little man. Jackson, their English Springer Spaniel, loves his new little brother! They still live in Myrtle Beach.

Ashley Holofcener and her husband, Andres Brito, temporarily relocated from NYC to West Palm Beach, Fla., a month prior to welcoming their baby girl, Violeta ("Vivi") Ruth Brito Holofcener, in December 2019. The new family of three remained working from home in Florida through 2020 due to Covid-19. Ashley works in tech sales for Salesforce, and Andres works in global marketing for Campari. 2020 High: Uninterrupted time at home with family! 2020 Low: The loss of Ashley's beloved grandfather and her number one fan, Les Cohen.

Lizzy Jacobs Jones is living in St. John's, Fla., with her husband, their two kids, and their dog. She is soaking up the stay-at-home mom life, enjoying time with her littles while they are so small, and homeschooling her oldest for the 2020–21 school year.

Alli Koch Coppola moved to Old Town Alexandria, Va., in the beginning of the year while planning a May wedding. Due to Covid-19, the large wedding was cancelled, so they had a small wedding, in her parents' Annapolis backyard with only the closest friends and family. Luckily, work has been steady at Doximity, a tele-health start-up.

Katherine Kozelski married Sean Reitenbach on Sep. 26, 2020, in Baltimore. While not the wedding she imagined due to Covid-19, she was still able to celebrate with fellow alumni Caitlin Thompson Farha, Suzanne Boone McAvoy, Kellan Reed Bell,

## Jen Johnson, Julia Hashim Riismandel, and Laura Ruppersberger.

Arin Mossovitz Liebman is an employment lawyer at Jackson Lewis, P.C., a nationwide law firm that provides advice and counsel to employers. She has been very busy the last few months providing guidance to clients about Covid-19 related laws. She lives in New Canaan, Conn., with her husband, Scott, and dog, Charlie.

Kellan Reed Bell and her husband, Will, welcomed a daughter, Georgia, in September 2019. Kellan has enjoyed working from home over the past months and being able to watch Georgia grow up and hit all the fun, first-year milestones.

In July, Claire Scott moved from Iowa to Ohio to start working as a visiting assistant professor of German at Kenyon College. This year she was also elected to serve as a member of the steering committee for the Coalition of Women in German and won the Peter Lang Young Scholars Competition for German Studies in America for her first book, which will be published in 2021.

Caitlin Thompson Farha and her husband, Patrick, had a daughter named Emma Elizabeth Farha on July 14, 2020. They are enjoying being first-time parents.

Addison Tower Kline married John Kline in October 2019. Their wedding was about 95% local to Harford County—her childhood church, reception site, and vendors. Addie's twin nephew and niece, Henry James and Poppy Olivia, and nephew, Ryan Hunter, were all born in 2019. Addie is the director of guest services for a skilled nursing facility with Genesis Health Care. She is incredibly grateful for how well the center is doing throughout the Covid-19 pandemic. It is apparent how much of a lifeline her colleagues and she have become between the residents, patients, and their families.

Melissa Weinstein eloped in May! After having to postpone their wedding twice due to Covid-19, Melissa and Jay eloped near their home in Southern California and celebrated with In-N-Out burgers at a nearby park.

Two years after graduating from the University of Washington with a master's degree, Ashley Johnson now resides in Berkeley, Calif., and works at a racial justice public policy think tank, The Greenlining Institute. Ashley continues to advocate systemic change to support working families and underrepresented groups at the state, local, and federal level. This year, Ashley became an aunt of her beautiful niece, Sabrina, and she could not be happier.

Davis Garcia Lush lives in Richmond, Va., with her husband, Greg, and their son, Dominick. They are excited for the arrival of a baby girl this winter. Davis is loving being a stay-at-home mom and spending time with her sweet toddler.

Suzanne Boone McAvoy married John McAvoy on Nov. 21, 2020, in their front yard. Suzanne and John moved to Lutherville in June after falling in love with a home. It served as the perfect backdrop after their original wedding in New Orleans was cancelled due to Covid-19.

## 2008

#### Kaitlin Hatfield, Class Secretary

To likely quote at least one of our senior pages from our high school yearbooks, what a long, strange trip it's been for the class of 2008 in 2020. Though we could fill day planners and diaries with trips that were cancelled or lives that got a bit more complicated due to, well, everything, the one common thread throughout this year's notes is that even after all these years, we care for each other. The class of 2008 excels at standing in solidarity for one another, both in celebrating our successes and in supporting each other during bumps along the road of life.





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- 1/ Aiden and Connor Kury, sons of Camie McComas Kury '00
- 2/ Katie Kotiza '00 with husband Curtis and son Gregory, born July 19, 2020
- 3/ Eleni Popomaronis Bowden '00 with husband Craig and their children William (6) and Ellie (5)
- 4/ Victoria Guroian Sanders '00 with husband David and children Virginia, Harris, and George
- 5/ Bowden, daughter of Dasha Rettew '00
- 6/ Jayme Katz '00 and daughter Izzy, second grader at St. Paul's Lower School



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- 7/ Andrew and Anna Zeck, children of Rose Acoraci Zeck '00
- 8/ Jenny Sharp '03, daughter Teagan, and her husband, Brian Maloney
- 9/ Leo (5), the son of Sara Bonner Hughes '01
- 10/ Sarah Slattery Bollard '00 with daughter Willow, born March 21, 2020
- 11/ Daughters of Nina Diemer Diehl '00
- 12/ Raphael (3), the son of Sara Bonner Hughes '01
- 13/ Gabrielle and Vivianne Bohnenkamp, daughters of Jill Haak Bohnenkamp '00











- 14/ Tessa Klaes and Jeanette Chinnis, daughters of Maggie Kallmyer Klaes '00 and Darcie O'Connor Chinnis '00
- 15/ Liz Bundy '00, Maggie Kallmyer Klaes '00, Darcie O'Connor Chinnis '00
- 16/ Charlie and Tessa Klaes & Nancy and Eliza Cesa, children of Maggie Kallmyer Klaes '00 and Caroline Ayers Cesa '02
- 17/ Charlie Klaes and Freddie Schroeder, sons of Maggie Kallmyer Klaes '00 and Katie Libby Schroeder '02
- 18/ Class of 2000 Virtual 20th Reunion

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- 19/ Crickett Hermann Kasper '01, husband Matthew with Magnes (4), and Evie (18 mos.) at home in Singapore
- 20/ Blythe (6) and Wells (8), the children of Elizabeth Prenger Lawson '01, in South Carolina
- 21/ Mac (5) and Miles (2), the sons of Meredith Alcarese Lorenzen '01
- 22/ Lauren English '01, husband Chris, baby Boden, and Maverick (6)
- 23/ Leighton (5), Tommy (10.5), Arden (7), the children of Brin Blucher Zink '01, at Bethany Beach









- 24/ Alex and Topher (15 mos.), the twins of Kelly Jaeger Ruggieri '01
- 25/ Wells (9) and Gray (8), the sons of Meg Spies Freeman '01
- 26/ Kate (6) and Molly (8), the daughters of Bonnie Wilt Knight '01
- 27/ Sara Hodges Ismart '01, husband Thad, Emma (5), and Tommy (3) at Martha's Vineyard
- **28**/ Logan (5), the son of Patricia Johnson Bernardini '01, at Ocean City, MD 2020
- 29/ Cole, Ibbie, John Hall, and Brooks, the children of Parker Scott Slaton '03 at the wedding of her brother, Ryan Scott '09, and Brooke Stokes '09









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- 30/ Carrie Thieman Locke '03, Julie Sturm Carolan '03, Elizabeth Waicker Edison '03, Allison Clarke Gentile '03 and their children, August 2019
- 31/ Nicole Brynes '03 and her new baby, Ruth Hoffman
- $32 \/$  Julie Goode Smith '01, husband Tim, and son Carter (8 mos.) at home in Michigan
- 33/ Lauren Demme Carlson '01, Bodhi (18 mos.), and husband John on 4th of July in Guam, 2020
- 34/ The twin boys of Lauren Vitrano '03





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- 35/ Madelyn (4) and Amelia (1 mo.), daughters of Rosina Ciattei Koehn '04
- 36/ The four boys of Catherine Onnen Chasen '04, Brandon (7), Brooks (5), Bo (3), and Baron (1 mo.) at Ocean City, Md.
- 37/ Katherine Kozelski Reitenbach '07 with her now husband, Sean, during their engagement shoot
- 38/ Tori Weitzel '05 married her Washington College sweetheart, Josh Ackerman, September 7, 2019 at the Annapolis Yacht Club
- 39/ Annie Wagner Jubb '04 with husband Jerry, Rhodes (3), Livingston (2), and Pierce ( 8 mo.)
- 40/ Addison Tower Kline '07 on her wedding day in October 2019

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- 41/ Bronwyn Lewis Friscia '04 and husband James introduced their six-week-old daughter, Idyllwilde Bryony, to the ocean on this year's summer solstice
- 42/ Cooper (4 mos.), son of Cara Goering Martin '05
- 43/ Caitlin Harbold Hutcheon '06 with husband Drew and children, Harbor and Clementine
- 44/ George (3), the son of Jill Connor Zurowski '06
- 45/ Caitlin Sloane Donati '05, Jackie Blucher Ariosa '05, Megan Del Monte McKenzie '05, and Liz Schwarcz '05 at the baby shower of Courtney Fields Robson '06
- 46/ Knox, the son of Courtney Fields Robson '06, on the left sitting next to Charlie, the son of Caroline Fields Brock '09. The cousins first met on a family vacation to Virginia in July.
- 47/ Alex Kahn '06 and her dog Mailo in Kailua, Oahu, June 2020





 $\mathbf{48}/\ \mathrm{Tallon}\ \mathrm{Stokes}, \mathrm{son}\ \mathrm{of}\ \mathrm{Ali}\ \mathrm{Hodges}\ \mathrm{Stokes}\ \mathrm{'07}, \mathrm{born}\ \mathrm{in}\ \mathrm{January}\ \mathrm{2020}$ 

- 49/ John Henry Riismandel, son of Julia Hashim Riismandel '07
- 50/ Peter Workman Tenaglio, son of Esther Duvall Tenaglio '09, born March 18, 2020
- 51/ Melissa Weinstein '07 and her husband, Jay Epelman, celebrating their May 28 elopement
- 52/ Lindley and Kevin, the children of Maggie Dunbar Colonell '07
- 53/ Sebastian (2), the son of Solmaz Sarhaddi '01

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- 54/ Ashley Holofcener '07, Andres, and one-week old Vivi on Christmas Eve 2019 in West Palm Beach, Fla.
- 55/ Kellan Reed Bell '07 with husband Will and daughter, Georgia
- 56/ Beautiful bride Cori Stedman '08 is joined by bridesmaids, Angela Howard '08 and Lauren Gilberti Grannon '08, as well as classmate Ashley Ann Guy Esser '08
- 57/ Emma Farha, daughter of Caitlin Thompson Farha '07

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58/ Addison Tower Kline '07 with classmates Amaris Maxwell '07 (Maid of Honor) and Chelsea Carico Morris '07 on her wedding day



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- ${\bf 59}{\rm /}$  Kristina Beese Clayton '08 shreds some twine with the Puerto Rico Lacrosse team
- 60/ When Olivia Kimmel '08 becomes a famous cinematographer, we can all say "we knew her when!"
- 61/ Lizzy Zimmerman Matusky '08 pictured with her husband and two children, Charlotte and Hudson
- 62/ Samantha Wright Leigh '09 and husband Chip '10 celebrate their daughter Reighlyn's 2nd birthday in July
- 63/ Charlotte and Hudson, the precious children of Lizzy Zimmerman Matusky '08
- 64/ The cute golden doodle puppy of Kelly Mangan '08

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- 65/ 2008 Classmates (from left to right): Kristina Beese Clayton, Alexis Blair, Caitlin Herman, Kathleen Mack, and Jessie Hendrick Scheerer are all smiles after a float day during summer 2020
- 66/ Meredith Price '09 on top of Glacier Peak, sitting at over 10,000 feet
- ${\bf 67}/$  Dominick (2), son of Davis Garcia Lush '07, at golf course
- 68/ Carter, son of Meghan Young Nichols '09, in Ocean City, Md.
- 69/ Kemp Caswell, son of Hayward Sawers Caswell '09, born November 10, 2019













- **70**/ Alli Koch Coppola '07 and husband Michael on their wedding day in July 2020
- 71/ Jennifer Beigel Richards and husband, Zach, at their wedding in Lee, N.H. on October 6, 2019
- 72/ In June, Emily Ilardo '08 wed Tim Kuser in an intimate ceremony
- 73/ Brooke Stokes Scott '09 and Ryan Scott '09 at their wedding in Lewes, Del. on September 28, 2019
- 74/ Group shot of both alumni and current students from St. Paul's at Brooke Stokes Scott '09 and Ryan Scott's '09 wedding



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Jamie Bare entered her sixth year of teaching at Dulaney High School and teaches courses in accounting and marketing. Though the season has been postponed for obvious reasons, Jamie maintains her title as coach of the women's golf team as well.

Forever the athlete, Kristina Beese Clayton is currently on the training team for Puerto Rico Lacrosse to prepare for the Women's World Championship recently postponed until 2022 due to Covid-19— that will be held in Towson, Md.

Kyleen Breslin is officially a lawyer working as an appellate public defender at the Center for Appellate Litigation in New York. In her free time, Kyleen is practicing anti-racism by reading, listening, and learning. She is watching the response of the St. Paul's community and hopes that SPSG takes steps towards providing an anti-racist education. Additionally, she hopes forums like Spiritus are used to amplify the voices of Black community members. Kyleen eagerly anticipated voting in the 2020 Presidential Election and hoped that all members of the St. Paul's community joined her in this civic responsibility.

Page Carpenter has put her Sotheby's graduate degree to good use and is working for an art gallery in New York City.

In May of 2020, Kavita Chaudhry started with Peloton Interactive as a senior software manager. Pre-Covid-19, Kavita worked hard to try to hit 31 countries by 31. This led her to live in London for a month, travel Europe for another, and go backcountry snowboarding in Japan.

Emily Collins is one of the top sales representatives for the mid-Atlantic's largest construction distributor, and she is also the only female sales rep in the market. When she's not working or acting as a loving fur-mom to her kitty, Emily has focused her energy on safely connecting and supporting friends and family during the pandemic. Other recent activities as of late include writing a ton of letters to support the United States Postal Service.

Within the past year, Mary Stone Eddins became a co-lead teacher at St. Paul's Preschool. She leads the classroom with Jessica Carico Tillinghast '03 and has also become one of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) representatives for the school.

Brianna Elliott is continuing with her pursuit of her Ph.D. in marine science and conservation at Duke University. Though she misses the policy world of Washington, D.C., she genuinely enjoys the teaching aspects that come with the pursuit of her degree. In March 2020, Brianna adopted Brisbane, a puppy of just under a year, who enjoys kayaking and running with Brianna.

Alexis Blair earned her first big work accomplishment of 2020 in February when the 2018 issue of Spiritus was awarded an Accolade Award by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, and it was the only independent school publication recognized nationally alongside UPenn, Bucknell, and Ursinus College. She still resides in Locust Point, and while she may have had to cancel her trip to Japan, she has undertaken more local outdoor adventures including escapes to Elk Neck State Park and Assateague Island with Kristina Beese Clayton, Jessica Hendrick Scheerer, Caitlin Herman, and Kathleen Mack.

Within the past year, Lauren Gilberti Grannon has helped better her community by accepting a role as operations coordinator for the Southeast Ohio Foodbank.

Bailey Griswold bid adieu to New York when she accepted a job as a data scientist with Allstate and moved to Charlotte in 2018 to be closer to her niece and nephew. Within the past year, she has bought a house and enjoyed both fixing it up and gardening in her spare time. Also keeping her busy is her Great Pyrenees puppy, Hank, as well as the business she started with her boyfriend, Bring Back the Butterflies. Currently selling at farmer's markets, but with plans to expand her reach online, her business sells native plants meant to attract pollinators, including butterflies, bees, moths, wasps, hummingbirds, and goldfinches, to gardens.

Jessie Hendrick Scheerer survived spring distance teaching pre-K special education with Montgomery County. Taking the summer to switch schools, this fall Jessie began a new teaching position with Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

In January 2020, Dr. Caitlin Herman passed her EPPP (psych licensure exam) and became a licensed psychologist. She started her second year of postdoctoral fellowship in pediatric neuropsychology at Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital. In May, Caitlin gave back to the SPSG community by hosting a virtual event titled Understanding Uncertainty: Dealing with Anxiety.

Angela Howard became Dr. Howard after receiving her Ph.D. in molecular microbiology from Tufts University Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences. Her completed thesis was titled Characterization of Ebola Virus Glycoprotein Conformational Dynamics Using Single-Molecule FRET. Since receiving her doctorate, Angela has been working in virology, specifically viral drug delivery and gene editing, for Bluebird Bio, a biotechnology company in Cambridge, Mass. On June 26, after dating for 10 years and being engaged for three additional years, Emily Ilardo married Tim Kusser in an intimate backyard ceremony surrounded by their adoring families.

This spring, **Rachel Kelley** confirmed that she is past her "perpetual student" years after wrapping up her Ph.D. in physiology at the University of Florida. She remains in Gainesville with her wife, Kim, and their two dogs, and has begun a postdoctoral researcher position. Rachel is honored to serve on her department's "Academics for Black Lives" committee where she fights for long-overdue changes and continues learning best practices of anti-racism.

Over the past seven years, Olivia Kimmel has been working as a camera assistant based in New York City, but has worked on films all around the world. In the last few years, her range has included shooting US Army veterans on Normandy Beach and shooting on the volcanic island of Monteratt while working on a fantasy movie based on the story of Wendy from *Peter Pan*. Among the many productions she has been a part of, Olivia was recently part of the Emmy award-winning team for the Netflix production *Russian Doll*. Despite all these wonderful experiences as a Local 600 camera assistant, Olivia is ready to move up in the world. After relocating to Los Angeles in September, Olivia began classes at the AFI Conservatory to pursue an M.F.A. in cinematography.

Kelly Mangan continues her service as assistant to the upper school head for operations at SPSG. Within the past year she began teaching 10th grade health and became a ninth-grade advisor. Her new goldendoodle puppy also keeps her busy.

Julie Moores got engaged at Christmas 2019 and thoroughly enjoyed all aspects of wedding planning. She married her fiancé, Derek Chipman, on Nov. 14, 2020. Julie's sister, **Tara Moores '10**, was a bridesmaid, and **Rachel Heacox '10** served as the videographer. Last spring, the couple bought a house and relocated to Ashburn, Va.

Dana Shaw is currently a narrative writer at Riot Games and has released a 10-minute anime and some short stories. In addition to these writing credits, Dana wrote a play and produced it over Zoom as part of a Covid-19 era experimental theatre festival.

Maggie Smith and her partner, Emanuel, are still located in San Francisco, Calif. In September 2019, Maggie moved into the public sector and started a new job as a preservation planner for the Environmental Planning Division of the San Francisco Planning Department. Her previous employer, Page & Turnbull, was certainly sad to see her go; her efforts as project manager of a massive effort to develop historic district plans for Sacramento had led them to win the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions' Best Practices Award in Protection in August 2020. As a city employee, Maggie served throughout the month of May as one of San Francisco's Covid-19 Disaster Service Workers, who helped those within the community connect virtually and report supply needs to the Mayor/Board of Supervisors. In addition to volunteering in a local neighborhood garden that supplies food to a free farm stand, Maggie has become hyper-focused on reducing her environmental impact. Additionally, she is actively working to be an antiracist and is assisting with the Planning Department's Racial and Social Equity Action Plan Phase II.

One of the luckiest brides of 2020, Cori Stedman wed Zach Marx on March 14, 2020 in Charleston, S.C., at the Gadsden House in a beautiful ceremony just on the cusp of the nationwide lockdown. Fellow classmates Lauren Gilberti Grannon and Angela Howard served as bridesmaids, and Ashley Ann Guy Esser was in attendance. In her spare time, Cori volunteers at City Kitty and City Dogs Rescue.

Emily Thorpe Vesnovskiy has made the most out of the pandemic by strengthening her relationships with fellow Gators. To stay connected and motivate each other, Emily and classmates Taylor Pierson and Jillian Smyth Butler started a running club in which they text each other their times and distances on every run or walk. Whether it's through fitness or other long chats with fellow classmates Margaret Graham and Brynna Evans, Emily is grateful to her girlfriends for their love and support through the tough times and to SPSG for bringing them into her life.

Julie Whiteley has outdone us all and managed to ride out the pandemic in her home on Maui. She is a learning specialist at Seabury Hall, a private school in Makawau. In her spare time, she takes care of two mini Australian shepherds, Puppi and Otto, and six sheep.

Katie Williams has accepted a role as general manager of a full-service Hilton property that as of press time was going through a major renovation.

In June 2020, Gracie Wills became the executive director of The Waverly Project Foundation, joining her sister Molly Wills '05. The foundation honors their father, who passed away on June 8, 2019, and aims to support girls on their journey toward mental, physical, and spiritual well-being. In August, they hosted their first Virtual 5K #Move4MentalHealth event to raise support for their Wellness Workshops for girls who started in the program in fall 2020. Gracie would love to encourage fellow Gators to check out the website for more information: www.thewaverlyproject.com/foundation.

May the force of motherhood be with Lizzy Zimmerman Matusky, who welcomed Hudson Lee Matusky into the world on Star Wars Day, May 4, 2020. Hudson's big sister, Charlotte (4), has taken so well to her new role and adores her baby brother.

Last but not least, we close with our intrepid class secretary, Katie Hatfield. Still an active member of the Junior League of Washington, Katie volunteers for the organization's magazine as both a writer and a copyeditor. In January 2020, Katie accepted a job with the staffing firm Addison Group as a business development manager. After a trip to Ireland was derailed in March, Katie embraced the pandemic as much as one could from six feet away and took to new hobbies, including making elaborate meals to document on Instagram and taking Irish dance lessons via Zoom. As of late, at the encouragement of friends and former teachers, and to the likely chagrin of several former lovers, she has taken some time to explore her true passion, creative writing.

## 2009

#### Hayward Sawers Caswell and Courtney Neubauer Crespo, Class Secretaries

Meredith Price is the associate director of

performance nutrition for the University of Washington Athletic Department. Though times are a bit different now in collegiate sports, Meredith is still able to assist athletes with nutrition consultations for performance. She spent as much time as possible outside this past summer and checked off a big item from her bucket list: summiting all five volcanoes in the state of Washington.

Esther Duvall Tenaglio and her husband, Alex, welcomed their son, Peter Workman Tenaglio, to the world on March 18, 2020. Esther continues to be the senior project manager for the Population Health Department at Howard County General, a Johns Hopkins community hospital.

Sam Murray just purchased a new home in Owings Mills with a fenced-in backyard for her dogs to enjoy. She is still working at her alma mater, Stevenson University, as the assistant athletics communication director. Along with her girlfriend, Gracie, she is the proud dog mom of golden retriever Brooks (2) and Newfoundland Louis (1).

Due to Covid-19, **Rebecca Yaffe** and her fiancé, Aaron Panzer, postponed their nuptials for a year and look forward to celebrating their wedding on Oct. 9, 2021. She has been a nurse for the past four years and currently works as a cardiac cath lab nurse at St. Joseph Medical Center in Towson, Md. She started her MSN program at the University of Cincinnati in August and plans to become a dermatology nurse practitioner.

Danielle Berman is continuing to grow her business, Tackle What's Next, which supports athletes in their transition out of sports. She is living and working in Baltimore and prior to the pandemic, she hosted a successful event for athletes and sports executives in Miami during Super Bowl LIV week.

Debra Coleman Seils and her husband moved to Hydes, Md. in September 2019 and look forward to welcoming their second child, a little boy, this September.

Amanda Snead is completing an M.D./Ph.D. at the University of Illinois at Chicago. As a medical student and the national education and development chair of Students for a National Health Program (SNaHP), she is a passionate advocate for a single payer healthcare system. She hopes the current pandemic has made obvious the need to replace our current for-profit health insurance system.

Kate Cathell Williamson started a new job as a systems engineer at Mastercard last fall. Her team is responsible for the platform infrastructure of Mastercard's data and services division, which provides various marketing and analytic software. When they're not busy running around with their six nieces and nephews, she and her husband spend time together with their dogs, Barbie and Frank. They took a socially distanced trip to Utah this past fall to visit a few National Parks.

Kirsten Smith completed her MBA at UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School in May. After interning with Dell Technologies last summer, she accepted a full time offer to return to their B2B e-commerce team as a product marketing manager. In June, she moved to Austin, Tex., and became engaged a month later. Kirsten and her fiancé, Alec, are excited to start planning their wedding.

Taylor Corey Kaulius and her husband, Jeff, welcomed their baby girl, Grace, into the world on June 12, 2020. They are settling in as a family of three in their new home in Towson, Md.

Katie Sobczak is living in Colorado Springs, Colo. She is currently completing her second bachelor's degree in computer science through an online program at University of Colorado Boulder.

Jennifer Beigel Richards married her husband, Zach, on Oct. 6, 2019. She and Zach live with their dog, Zoey, in Epping, N.H. Jennifer works as a Technical Services Librarian at Lane Memorial Library in Hampton, N.H.

Megan Young Nichols lives on a farm in Berlin, Md., with her husband, Raymond; son, Carter; and dog, Honcho. She loves her new small-town life and spends her free time with her family fishing, driving to the beach at Assateague Island, and shopping at local farmers markets. She works in nonprofit fundraising and communications and serves on the event planning committee for the local environmental organization, Maryland Coastal Bays.

Brooke Stokes Scott married Ryan Scott '09 in September 2019. They are currently living in Austin, Tex., and started a hot sauce company during quarantine called Woof Sauce. Their dog, Cammy, is the logo!

Samantha Wright Leigh is now a professor of animal physiology at California State University Dominguez Hills. Her current research focuses on how microplastics in the ocean affect various marine organisms. This past summer, her research involving the bonnethead shark was highlighted by National Geographic as one of "the most fascinating shark discoveries of the past decade." She and her husband, Chip (Charles) Leigh '10, celebrated their daughter Reighlyn's second birthday in July.

Hayward Sawers Caswell welcomed her son, Kemp, to the world in November 2019. She has been making the most of quarantine by spending time with the baby while working from home with her husband, George.

Courtney Neubauer Crespo is still living in Roland Park with her husband, Alex, and their 10-year-old English Bulldog, Ocho. Courtney is continuing to work in human resources at North Star Group. In their spare time, Courtney and Alex continue to grow their honey hot sauce company, Bee HOSS.

## 2010

#### Justine Heritage, Class Secretary

Bridgette Wunder is monitoring The St. Paul's Schools' response to the increased global attention to overt and covert systemic racism. As an alumna who is new to demanding change within our school system, she'll continue to support and amplify the voices of Black alumni and students who have been actively sharing concerns for many, many years. She hopes that by the time Spiritus is printed, new structures will be in place to further growth, understanding, and accountability within the St. Paul's community. Black Lives Matter.

Lauren Schumacher Gordon got married in September 2019. Jessie Johns was her maid of honor and Marie Rosasco was a bridesmaid. Lauren and her husband took a three-week honeymoon to Thailand and Cambodia. In January 2020, they bought a house in Alexandria, Va. Lauren still works at Deloitte, where she provides crisis management advisory services to federal government clients.

Marie Rosasco is monitoring The St. Paul's Schools' response to the increased global attention to overt and covert systemic racism. As an alumna who is new to

demanding change within our school system, she'll continue to support and amplify the voices of Black alumni and students who have been actively sharing concerns for many, many years. She hopes that by the time Spiritus is printed, new structures will be in place to further growth, understanding, and accountability within the St. Paul's community. Black Lives Matter.

Schuyler Heird is monitoring The St. Paul's Schools' response to the increased global attention to overt and covert systemic racism. As an alumna who is new to demanding change within our school system, she'll continue to support and amplify the voices of Black alumni and students who have been actively sharing concerns for many, many years. She hopes that by the time Spiritus is printed, new structures will be in place to further growth, understanding, and accountability within the St. Paul's community. Black Lives Matter.

In May 2020, Annie Albert moved to Tallahassee, Fla., for a new job. She works as a historic preservationist for the Florida Historic Resources Division.

Laura Pierpont is monitoring The St. Paul's Schools' response to the increased global attention to overt and covert systemic racism. As an alumna who is new to demanding change within our school system, she'll continue to support and amplify the voices of Black alumni and students who have been actively sharing concerns for many, many years. She hopes that by the time Spiritus is printed, new structures will be in place to further growth, understanding, and accountability within the St. Paul's community. Black Lives Matter.

Kate Breslin is a relationship and sex therapist in Denver, Colo., and an instructor of sexual diversity at the Denver Family Institute. She's monitoring The St. Paul's Schools' response to the increased global attention to overt and covert systemic racism. As an alumna who is new to demanding change within our school system, she'll continue to support and amplify the voices of Black alumni and students who have been actively sharing concerns for many, many years. She hopes that by the time Spiritus is printed, new structures will be in place to further growth, understanding, and accountability within the St. Paul's community. Black Lives Matter.

Symonne Newsome is the accounting team lead at Bureau Veritas, where she's worked for the past five years. She was very excited to be inducted into the SPSG Athletic Hall of Fame this past year.

Caitlin Stroud has reignited her connection to SPSG by participating in The St. Paul's Schools' response to the increased global attention to overt and covert systemic racism. As an alumna who's new to the demand for change, she will improve upon listening, supporting, and amplifying the voices of Black alumni and students who have been actively sharing concerns for decades. She looks forward to seeing progress within the entire St. Paul's community. Black Lives Matter.

Kasey Bedford Steele is monitoring the St. Paul's Schools' response to the increased global attention to overt and covert systemic racism. As an alumna who is new to demanding change within our school system, she'll continue to support and amplify the voices of Black alumni and students who have been actively sharing concerns for many, many years. She hopes that by the time Spiritus is printed, new structures will be in place to further growth, understanding, and accountability within the St. Paul's community. Black Lives Matter.

Tori Hysko Larson gave birth to a baby girl in June. She is also completing her fourth year of medical school. As a result, she describes her current status as zombielike and heavily caffeinated.

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demanding change within our school system, she'll continue to support and amplify the voices of Black alumni and students who have been actively sharing concerns for many, many years. She hopes that by the time Spiritus is printed, new structures will be in place to further growth, understanding, and accountability within the St. Paul's community. Black Lives Matter.



#### Sydney Novak Binette and Margaret Perry, Class Secretary

The class of 2011 is getting excited for our 10-year reunion this upcoming spring. The recent years have been an integral time of growth in our lives as we are becoming more deeply involved in the workforce and some have worked to pursue higher education. We are widespread throughout the country from the East to West Coasts.

Alexandra Hand recently left her job running a financial terminal to join a start-up called Kings of Capitalism. As project manager, she led her team in successfully launching an app in just three months on both Apple and Google platforms. Alexandra is living in Baltimore and enjoys working for a small, fintech startup.

Madison Awalt has been a resident of New York City for five years. She is the associate director of admissions at Dwight Global Online School, an online school for students in grades 7 through 12. She lives in Brooklyn with fellow Gator Paris DeYoung, who shares her love of wine, Jurassic Park, and Jeff Goldblum.

Paris DeYoung was admitted to the New York State Bar Association in April 2020. She is now a practicing criminal defense attorney in Manhattan at an appellate public defender organization. In her free time, she enjoys eating bagels from the comfort of her and Madison Awalt's Brooklyn apartment and deconstructing the carceral state.

Alissa Meister earned her Ph.D. in Neuroscience from Penn State College of Medicine in August 2019. She is now a Presidential Management Fellow at the National Institutes of Health, where she works on projects related to science policy and administration.

Emily Egolf earned her VMD from the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine in May 2019. She completed her internship year at OSU's Large Animal Services and is returning to southeastern Pennsylvania to complete residency at the New Bolton Center, PennVet's large animal hospital, in order to become an ambulatory food animal specialist through the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners.

Chloe Howard spent the last five years living in San Francisco. Since early 2018 she has been working at Cruise, a startup working to deploy selfdriving rideshare. She is now transitioning from test engineering to product management. She recently drove cross-country to live in Virginia with her boyfriend's parents. She now works remotely and formally adopted her foster dog, Johnny.

Dervla McDonnell has been living in Los Angeles for the past three years. In March, she joined the national organization College Track as the director of institutional philanthropy for the Los Angeles region. She enjoys her work advocating for low-income, firstgeneration youth to achieve educational justice and break cycles of poverty in their communities.

Katie Cole has been a resident of New York City for five years. She is still living in Brooklyn and recently completed her third year with NewsCred, now as a senior content strategist, where she works with financial services companies to bring success to their content marketing programs. She loves her local community and has been proud to help fight for a better system and the defunding of the NYPD.

Catherine Galateria spent the past three years in television production at Fox News in New York City. She and her fiancé are temporarily living between their alma mater in Richmond and NYC, and she is currently pursuing her law degree at the University of Richmond School of Law.

Natalie Decker works full time as a registered nurse in the Pediatric Emergency Department at the University of Maryland Medical Center. She also works in the Pediatrics Hematology/Oncology Clinic and in the Pediatric Infusion Clinic. She is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in health professions education at the University of Maryland, Baltimore.

Sydney Novak Binette works as a laboratory manager for an environmental engineering research lab at the Colorado School of Mines. She also works part-time for a local faith formation organization called the Aquinas Forum. She and her family, now including Benjamin (10 months) and Rosemary (3), enjoy road-tripping through Western America nearly every weekend and camping in their new pop-up camper.

Black Lives Matter.

## 2012

#### Catherine Gillespie and Brenasia Ward-Caldwell, Class Secretaries

In May, Marta Cherpak Buckingham celebrated her two-year wedding anniversary with her husband, Adam. Shortly after getting married in May 2018, they moved to Denver, Colo., for exciting opportunities and to pursue a new adventure. After living in Denver for two years, Marta and Adam moved back to the Baltimore area earlier this year for new jobs. When she's not working, Marta loves reading, hiking, and working on her passion project blog, Marta's Muse.

At the end of 2019, **Katie Kreps** got engaged. She and her fiancé have purchased a home and are planning to get married in summer 2021.

Kate Ramsdell is currently pursuing her doctorate in clinical psychology at Loyola University Maryland. At present, she works at an eating disorder treatment center, providing therapy to adolescents and adults.

Emily Oursler moved back to the Baltimore area after working in management consulting in Shanghai, China for three years. She is currently working in the flavor and fragrance industry where she is furthering her firm's Asia business. Next year, she and William Vieth '12 will be moving to Singapore for work and business school. Emily recently earned her Advanced Scuba certification and hopes to become a Master Diver once she's living in Southeast Asia.

Tory Holmes moved to Naples, Fla., upon completion of graduate school in 2016 and has since purchased her first home. She now works as an Athletic Trainer at an NAIA university and has also become very involved in bicycling.

Emma Riegel completed her master's in elementary education from Notre Dame of Maryland University in December.

After graduating from college, **Melanie Blank** spent two years working as a laboratory technician in a neuroscience lab at the University of Pittsburgh. In 2018, she moved to Staunton, Va., to pursue her doctorate in occupational therapy at Murphy Deming College of Health Sciences at Mary Baldwin University. She is scheduled to graduate in May 2021, pending successful completion of her clinical rotations.

Meghan Burns has a dog named Gouda and two bunnies named Beans and Pepper. She is also getting married in May of 2021. Natalie Drake is going into her fifth year of teaching for Dorchester County Public Schools. She completed her master's degree in education from LaSalle University this past summer. She is now the assistant coach for girls' varsity soccer at Cambridge South Dorchester High School.

Allie Corey is still living in Baltimore and just moved into a new apartment in Federal Hill. She works part time at CorePower Yoga and is about to start her fifth year of teaching at Lansdowne Elementary School in Baltimore County. She taught third grade for three years, and she is starting her second year in first grade. First grade is where her heart is. Other than work, she loves to spend time with her family, especially her nieces and nephews.

This year, Laurnie Wilson became a certified hypnotherapist, one of the best decisions she's ever made. She is extremely grateful and excited for this opportunity to help others transform their lives. When she's not diving into the subconscious, you can find her teaching yoga (now online), hesitantly propagating her houseplants, and reviving her interest in learning every language possible, all at the same time.

Brenasia Ward-Caldwell is celebrating three years working at PNC this fall in Pittsburgh, Pa. Her current role in their technology line of business as a disaster recovery consultant keeps her busy. She is starting a graduate program at Carnegie Mellon University where she will be working towards a Master of Science in information technology with a focus in information security and assurance.

## 2013

#### Abigail Knipp, Caroline Ponsi, and Paige Stickevers, Class Secretaries

After being diagnosed with epilepsy, Zoe Burt took a gap year and graduated from UMBC in May 2018. In 2018, Zoe watched the UMBC men's basketball team become the first men's team ranked 64th in the March Madness tournament to defeat the first-ranked team. Since graduating, Zoe has decided to become an electronic health records specialist. She is currently looking at master's and graduate certificate programs. Although it has been a crazy year, Zoe is thankful for the health of her family and hopes everyone is doing well.

Taylor Clark currently works in concert design for TAIT, a company known for producing technologically innovative concert productions for some of the biggest names in music. Before working at TAIT, she was an engineer at Universal Creative managing the design and fabrication of animatronics for an exciting new theme park attraction coming to international and domestic Universal Parks. She is now living in Lancaster, Pa., and recently adopted a rescue cat!

Jessie D'Amelio is a graphic designer and illustrator living in Brooklyn, N.Y. Currently she designs branded content at Apartment Therapy Media, which produces two websites, Apartment Therapy and The Kitchn.

Jasmine Drummond is a junior financial broker and licensed money coach. She is licensed in five states, soon to be six. She loves being able to help a family get a financial game plan to achieve their dreams and goals and create generational wealth. Financial education is at the heart of what she does. She is passionate about hosting group events and youth group seminars. This business has transformed her mindset and has trained her to focus on positivity. She

invites anyone interested in free financial game plans or getting licensed in the area of finance to reach out.

After graduating from the University of Maryland in 2017, Samantha Fine moved to Arlington, Va. She is working as a registered nurse at Medstar Georgetown University Hospital in Washington, D.C. Sam has been







- 1/ Sam Fine '13 with coworker treating Covid-19 patients
- 2/ Bridgett Connolly '16 and Brandon Alexander in front of Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, Charlottesville, Va. in June 2020
- 3/ Haley Wells '16 graduating from Coastal Carolina in spring of 2020
- 4/ Tiffany McKee '14 proudly poses with her master's degree
- 5/ Jordan Riger '14 stands with the Honorable Judges Joseph Getty (left), Brynja Booth (second from right), and Dan Friedman (right), after winning the University of Maryland School of Law's Fall 2019 Moot Court Competition





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- 6/ Ellie Grasso '17, Gainesville, Fla., May 2020
- 7/ Marta Cherpak Buckingham '12 on her wedding day, May 26, 2018
- 8/ CeCeJohnson '13, Senior Teacher, EF Education First with other senior staff members in Shanghai, China





treating Covid-19 patients and fighting the pandemic on the front lines. Apart from work, Sam enjoys hiking, traveling, and spending time with friends and family.

Julie Gill has been an oncology nurse at Johns Hopkins for almost three years. It has been a bit crazy at the hospital during Covid-19 with things changing every day, but she's doing well and making the most of it.

Rachel Grasso graduated from Georgetown University in May with a master's degree in Italian studies. Her thesis on the expression of multicultural identity by artists of foreign heritage in Italian rap and trap music passed with distinction. She is currently pursuing her Ph.D. in Italian studies on a full scholarship at the University of Toronto where she also teaches undergraduate Italian courses. She plans to become a professor of Italian studies and scholar. Her fields of interest include language pedagogy, Italian politics, migration, and the evolution of the Italian language, as well as Italian rap and trap music.

CeCe Johnson has been working at an EF center in Shanghai for two years. She has recently re-signed her contract for another three-years at English First. CeCe was promoted to senior teacher in November 2019. During the virus's peak period in China, she taught online for six months. She is currently taking TESOL certification to solidify her English teaching skills and is looking forward to growing more within the company! Shakiera Keyser had a baby boy, Sir, on February 16, 2020. She is also currently under consideration for a

promotion at work. After living in both Miami and Nashville post college, Emma Meck is happy to be closer to home and living in Federal Hill. Emma is in her second season with the Baltimore Orioles working in game production and game entertainment.

Natalie Miller finished her second year of teaching at Windsor Mill Middle School in Baltimore County. She taught English language arts and social studies. She became certified in AVID education, and she is also now an International Baccalaureate certified teacher. This past summer, she and her colleagues received a federal grant to produce a 360-degree virtual tour of Windsor Mill Middle School to better aid incoming sixth grade students. She also got her first puppy in quarantine, a Scottish terrier named Olive.

Shelby Wells moved to NYC in May 2019 to work for Ambra Health, which is a healthcare technology company. She is an account executive and works to drive mid-market deals in the Midwest territory of the U.S. This past summer, Shelby spent time with family and friends at the beach in Stone Harbor, N.J. Noelani Schulmeyer started a new position at Catholic University in Washington, D.C. this past summer. She is the field hockey graduate assistant coach. While she is at CUA, she will also work towards her master's degree in management and leadership.

Paige Stickevers has been living in New York City finishing up her master's degree in speech language pathology at NYU. Since Covid-19 started in March, she moved in with her parents in Washington, D.C. Paige has been taking online classes and performing teletherapy in the meantime. She hoped to move back to NYC to finish up her last semester and begin a clinical fellowship.

In February, Caroline Ponsi decided to pursue her passion for food and beverage, making a complete industry change and starting a new position in sales and marketing with Brooklyn-based startup Ark Foods. The modern-day farming company is a grower of specialty veggies like shishito peppers that can be found locally in Whole Foods and produces a line of veggie bowls that can be found locally in Giant. Though Brooklyn-based, she has been working remotely from Lutherville since March. She encourages any alumni interested in or currently working in farming, agriculture, or food and beverage to reach out.

#### Tiffany McKee, Class Secretary

Destiny Cherry is entering her last year of her master's program in school counseling at Rider University. This year she began her internship at Christina Seix Academy in Trenton, N.J. There, she is counseling students in grades pre-K through 8. She is excited for this next chapter of her educational journey.

Sara Johnson graduated with her master's in geography (remote sensing and climatology) and GIS from California State University in Los Angeles. In the fall, she began her Ph.D. program at the Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.

Carrera Lucas completed her first year as an assistant coach for the Villanova University field hockey team and is loving the job. She lives in Springfield, Pa., just outside Philadelphia and would love to connect with any SPSG alumnae living in or visiting the area. She is still training and competing in field hockey as a member of the U.S. National Development Team. Over the summer, Carrera was also accepted to the parttime MBA program at Villanova and began classes in the fall while continuing to coach the field hockey team.

Kate Meyers was promoted at Bloomberg to ETF analyst in July 2019. She contributed to several Bloomberg News stories focusing on ETF research and analysis. At the beginning of 2020, she decided to take a new job at Vail Resorts as a marketing analytics analyst on the season pass team and moved to Denver, Colo. In early May, she adopted a husky/Malamute mix puppy from a rescue and named him Boomer—after UMD football alum Boomer Esiason. They have been exploring all of Colorado together with many hikes and adventures!

Jordan Riger has begun her final year at the University of Maryland School of Law. In fall 2019, Jordan won Best Oralist and Runner-up Best Brief in the Fall Moot Court Competition. In the Spring 2020 Myerowitz Moot Court Competition, Jordan again earned the title of Runner-up Best Brief. During that time, she was also representing juvenile lifers before the Maryland Parole Commission. This year, Jordan will compete in various Moot competitions and will assist in drafting the Myerowitz problem as a member of the Myerowitz Committee. After graduation, Jordan hopes to obtain a judicial clerkship in the state of Maryland.

Tiffany McKee graduated with her master's degree in business and technology management in December 2019. Shortly after, she began working at the Northrop Grumman Corporation as an analyst in the global supply chain division. Tiffany was honored to be named to Stevenson University's 25th Anniversary Team for women's soccer. She enjoyed coaching the SPSG soccer teams again this fall.

## 2015

#### Kaci McNeave, Class Secretary

Despite returning early due to the coronavirus pandemic, Jillian Randolph had an incredible time working as a Princeton in Africa fellow in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. She accepted a new position in health equity research at The Ohio State University and moved to Columbus in September. She looks forward to getting to explore a new city and hopes to find racial and environmental justice programs to volunteer with in her free time.

Taylor Virgil was photographed by Lydia Hudgens at New York Fashion Week in February 2020 and was featured in InStyle. She was also featured in the Richmond publication, Style Weekly, at the end of her final year at VCU. Since graduating, Taylor has been working, collaborating with designers, and building her designer, illustrator, and blogger brand. While pursuing her career in fashion, she continues to speak up and ensure that SPSG is an educational institution which values the safety and comfort of its minority students, making it a safe space for all who attend.



#### Ellen Killefer and Kathy Hirsch, Class Secretaries

Bridgett Connolly recently finished the journey of a lifetime. Bridgett and a friend rode their bicycles 4,000 miles unassisted across the United States. They started this past summer after dipping their tires in the Atlantic Ocean in Virginia Beach and finished later in the fall at Oregon's Pacific coast. Bridgett graduated from Alrbight College with a B.S. in biology and business marketing in May and is actively seeking a full-time position in medical sales and marketing, or other related fields. Feel free to network with Bridgett at bridgeconn37@gmail.com.

Kalie Antlitz currently works as a graphic designer for the Australian brand Shhh Silk. She also is a marketing and graphic design intern for Brand Caffeine, a digital marketing agency located in New York City.

Haley Wells graduated from Coastal Carolina this past spring with a degree in marine science. She played four years of lacrosse there and now she is starting her fifth year of lacrosse and going into graduate school. Her graduate degree will be in coastal marine and wetlands study, a two-year program at Coastal Carolina.

I, Kathy Hirsch, hope everyone is doing well. I'm excited to share that I graduated from Franklin and Marshall College this past May. Now, I am home in Maryland getting a master's in elementary teaching and working as an associate teacher for pre-kindergarten at McDonogh School.

## 2017

#### Cole Zaharris, Samantha Blandino, Jen Hall Class Secretaries

Sydney Baker writes, "I can't believe I'm in my last year at Miami University, but I'm so excited for what's to come. At Miami, I've been studying international studies and French and had the incredible opportunity of studying abroad in Geneva, Switzerland in spring 2019. I'm a member of several organizations on campus, the most important of which is Miami's Army ROTC Program. I find out my brand in December, and I'll commission and graduate in May 2021."

Ellie Grasso graduated a year early from the University of Florida in May 2020 with bachelor's degrees in criminology and political science. In October, she departed for France to be an English Language Assistant with TAPIF, Teaching Assistant Program in France. She is teaching English in two French high schools in Illkirch-Graffenstaden, a neighborhood outside of Strasbourg. Ellie plans to attend law school starting in the fall of 2021.

## 2018

#### Sidney Hobbs, Morgan Hill, Class Secretaries

Emily Villiger studied abroad in Paris this past winter, where she had the opportunity to work backstage at Paris Fashion Week and intern for the designer Eli Saab in their showroom. This past summer, she worked as a fashion writer intern for a boutique in Los Angeles which focuses on sustainable and ethical fashion. Sidney Hobbs is back in Scotland for her third year at St. Andrews. Over the summer, she celebrated her one-year anniversary working for Bridges Baltimore as the college program intern. Sidney coordinated Bridges's first-ever college fair on Zoom, where 13 colleges (including Dartmouth and Vanderbilt) met with rising Bridges sophomores, juniors, and seniors. This past summer, she also reprised her role as the office assistant at the virtual Summer Institute.

## 2019

#### Allison Dockman, Maggie Frederick, Class Secretaries

Grace Paglinauan-Warner spent her freshman year at the University of Maryland, where she made the annual Dean's List and sang with the Treble Choir. Starting sophomore year, she decided to enter the pre-med program and is hoping to major in either psychology or English.

Brigid Pfeifer is a sophomore at the University of South Carolina majoring in sport and entertainment management. She is involved in Greek life as a Tri Delta. Brigid made the Dean's List first semester and President's List second semester last year. She worked at the Pro Bowl in Orlando, Fla. and the November 2020 Masters Tournament in Augusta, Ga. She plans to work at the 2021 Masters Tournament this April. Brigid and her sisters recently started their own business for Greek life apparel, @bdgreeklife.

Annie Schindler had an amazing first year at The Ohio State University. She declared strategic communications with a double minor in social and personality psychology and international studies. She joined the waterski team and boxing club and enjoyed taking classes such as criminology and mythology. She also worked as an audio-visual technician at the Student Union. Although she originally planned to mountaineer and sea kayak in Washington this past summer, she had to cancel due to the coronavirus and instead worked as a hostess at Chili's.

Lizzy Wise is pursuing a B.A. in economics at the University of Maryland and was recently accepted into the Robert H. Smith School of Business to earn a double major in finance. In the spring semester, she joined the professional fraternity Phi Chi Theta. She served on the cabinet as the social media chair for the second semester in a row for a club called iGNiTE. This club empowers women in leadership and has helped her meet a great number of successful women around campus.

During her freshman year at Virginia Tech, Carrie Znamirowski was a member of the club swim team. She spent the summer waitressing at Ropewalk in Ocean City and is excited to be a sophomore at the University of Maryland.

Gabby Duncan was named to Towson University's Dean's List for the 2019–2020 fall semester. During the spring semester, she was accepted into the Delta Alpha Phi Honor Society.

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# Qiana Wells-Haridat and Raj Haridat



Qiana Wells-Haridat, Chelsea Haridat '24, Raj Haridat, and Natalie Haridat '26

When the Haridats picked up their oldest daughter, Chelsea Haridat '24, from her shadow day at St. Paul's School for Girls, it was clear she had a future as a Gator.

"She told me, 'It feels like home here. We don't need to visit anywhere else," Qiana Wells-Haridat recalls.

And it wasn't just Chelsea who felt at home. The entire Haridat family felt embraced by the SPSG community. So much so that a year later, their younger daughter, Natalie Haridat '26, became a Gator as well.

Since joining the community in 2017, the family's connection to SPSG has grown deeper. "Every step of the way we've continued to be impressed by the school's commitment to quality of education, values, community, and sisterhood," Raj says, noting that in addition to academic excellence, SPSG prepares its students "to be great human beings."

"No matter how much you have, there will always be someone who has more, and way too many who have so much less. We want them to understand the role they play. Maybe you can't give time but you can give money, or the reverse. We try to do both. We want them to be a part of change in this world."

– Qiana Wells-Haridat

From the beginning, the whole family got involved through events, extracurricular activities, and fundraising.

"The school works hard to establish and foster a sense of community. It came naturally in many ways," Raj says. "It's a great parent community, as well. We've established some great friendships with people who share similar values."

For the Haridats, giving to the school came just as naturally. With SPSG, they see the impact of their donations firsthand. "It feels selfish, almost," Qiana says with a smile, pointing to opportunities their daughters have benefitted from that wouldn't be possible without donor support, like trips to Echo Hill Camp and Genesee Valley Outdoor Learning Center. "Through these experiences, they have to support each other. They do the things they don't think they can," Qiana continues. "It feels easy to give because the fruit of that gift is presented in our children."

Seeing the impact of SPSG alumnae in the world also inspires the Haridat family's philanthropy. "We're seeing the fruits of the school's labor in their graduates," Raj says. "It's important for us to see that our daughters have the same opportunities that those esteemed alumnae have had."

Supporting the school is an investment in the potential of all SPSG students, not just their own. "It feels like a genuine approach to unlock our daughters' potential and help them discover what they love to do," Raj says of the SPSG experience. "By giving, we know we're funding the opportunity to expose our daughters and other kids to a lot more of those opportunities."

Giving back is a way of life for the Haridats, who inherited the values of hard work and philanthropy from their parents. "It's the way we grew up," Qiana says. "It's important to us to give back to the community."

They hope to instill those same values in their daughters. "No matter how much you have, there will always be someone who has more, and way too many who have so much less," Qiana says. "We want them to understand the role they play. Maybe you can't give time but you can give money, or the reverse. We try to do both. We want them to be a part of change in this world."



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