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Alice Huang '57

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Bringing Back Community



In many ways, the 2020–2021 school year was a remarkable success at Doane Academy. We welcomed to campus our largest student body since the mid-1980s and, as a result of the school's extensive health and safety measures, these students attended classes, in person, 5 days a week on campus. In June, we were able to conduct the passing down of caps and gowns followed the next day by our graduation ceremony—outside, without masks in front of hundreds of family members, students, and graduates. It was a triumphant conclusion to a challenging year.

For all of the success of this past year, however, we missed one of the most important aspects of the Doane experience: the regular ability to connect, personally, with fellow members of the community. We were forced to cancel all of our concerts and signature events such as the Back to School Picnic, Homecoming, and Taste of the Best. And when we did "see" each other, it was usually through the creative use of film, live streaming, and YouTube. Back to School Night and parent-teacher conferences were held over Zoom. Doane's Dungeon, the Christmas Mystery, and the spring play were filmed and shown to a broader audience than usual, but in virtual gatherings nonetheless.

All of the above served as a stark reminder of two aspects of the Doane experience. First, we have a remarkable number of in-person events at Doane. From the beginning of the school year through December, families have the opportunity to attend meetings, performances, and special events every week—and often several times in a week.

It's easy to take these events for granted but their absence was deeply felt last year—which leads me to a second observation about the essence of Doane. Current students and graduates often remark that what makes Doane special is that it feels like a family. We all know each other and look out for each other. There is a special, indescribable bond that comes from being part of the Doane family, and that connection is forged through the personal interactions we have when we are together. Those bonds are created in classes and the hallways, to be sure. But the most powerful forces in bringing together the Doane community are the events at which we see each other: the conference at which families observe that their child's teacher really knows their child; the concert at which a teacher can see their students outside of the context of the classroom, demonstrating that they love playing the trumpet as much as they enjoy physics; the community event at which families sample each other's tastiest recipes.

I am often asked about our goals at the beginning of a school year. While my answer typically revolves around curriculum developments, meeting enrollment targets, or moving forward with the priorities of our Strategic Plan, this year's goal is deceptively simple. Over the coming months, we need to focus our attention on each other by doing everything we can to see each other in person.

In the early days of the pandemic, I predicted that our community would be stronger and closer than ever, in large part due to the shared experience of living through a public health crisis. We have demonstrated our resilience over the past 18 months, proving that we are in fact more strong than we realized. However, the "closer" part of my prediction is still a work in progress. We come to appreciate seeing each other more than ever. But we haven't yet had the opportunity to demonstrate this appreciation because we haven't been able to see each other as we would in a typical school year.

While this coming year will continue to be atypical, we will focus our attention on connecting, in person, in ways that have not been possible during the pandemic. So I look forward to seeing you at one or more of these events: Homecoming, the Christmas Mystery, an athletic contest, Taste of the Best, and Founder's Day, to name but a few. As I write this piece in early September, the optimistic assessment of our health situation has faded somewhat since the beginning of the summer. Nonetheless, we look forward to seeing our students—and our broader school community—return to Doane in a few short weeks, as we begin our 184th year on the Riverbank.

Sincerely,

George B. Sanderson Head of School



184th Commencement

Twenty four hours earlier, it had been nothing short of a tropical downpour. But the rain relented late on Friday afternoon, and the Passing Down of Caps and Gowns was able to occur — for the first time since 2019. Then, on Commencement morning, a threatening deck of dark clouds still lingered, but almost as if by providence, the clouds broke just as the Class of 2021 assembled in front of Rowan Hall for the traditional class portrait. The symbolism of the emerging sunshine was missed by few. The Class of 2021 had weathered a tremendous number of challenges in the fifteen months prior to their graduation, but on this, their biggest day of all, the sun shone brightly on them.



This class, consisting of 28 students, including one who learned remotely from his home in China during his senior year, are a diverse group who came to Doane from all across the region, traveling daily from as far away as Piscataway, NJ. Having endured the pandemic, and arrived at this in-person celebration, it was no surprise that wide and long-lasting smiles were everywhere.

Aidan White, of Bristol, PA, was selected to speak for his class and described the seemingly unending challenges that the class faced and overcame: from a lost junior prom, to a cancelled Homecoming weekend, as well as having to help long-held school traditions like Doane's Dungeon and the Christmas Mystery to pivot and become pre-recorded virtual events. Valedictorian Manav Raval, of Florence, NJ, commented on how the Class of 2021 became closer through these challenges, and took the opportunity to thank the faculty when he said, "...it was inspiring to see just how much you cared for all of us when you had to improvise some assignments, restructure curriculum, and essentially teach two classes at once with the remote students."

Mark Bucher '86, a restaurateur and founder of Feed the Fridge, a non-profit that brings nourishment to the hungry through free restaurant prepared meals, delivered the commencement address. He challenged the Class of 2021 to build off of their unique experiences, to experiment, and take a wide variety of courses in college, take chances, and then find what their true passions are and where those passions may lead them.

Whatever darknesses may befall this group, past, present, or future, it seems apparent that they will always emerge in brilliant light.



Aidan White



Grace Eagleson '20, Dr. James Paradis, and Valedictorian Manav Raval - Ivy Leaf recipient



Mark Bucher '86



Nick Kern '20 and Amelia Sternchos – Doane Cup recipient



JOIN US FOR Homeconing SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

Spend the day at Doane with parents, students, alumni, and friends cheering on our soccer teams and enjoying the tailgate party. The day will begin at 10am with our alumni soccer game, followed by our boys and girls games, our tailgate party, and family fun activities. We hope to see you there!

Homecoming Tailgate 10:00 am - 4:00 pm



Alumni Game 10:00 am Middle School Game 11:00 am Varsity Girls 12 noon Varsity Boys 1:30 pm Food 11:00 am – 3:30pm Music Noon – 3:00 pm Pumpkin Chunkin – 3:30 pm







Spartan Softball Wins State Championship

After experiencing the disappointment of their 2020 season being cancelled because of the pandemic, the Spartan softball team rebounded in spectacular fashion this spring, winning its first Prep B state championship and compiling a remarkable 16-3-1 record while facing schools that were three and four times larger than Doane.

"I felt genuinely grateful to be able to play because we had the prior season taken away. We gave something back to the school, and I'm very proud to be a part of the team that did that. All that hard work paid off," observed catcher Amelia Sternchos '21, one of the team's co-captains.

Doane defeated Princeton Day School and Morristown-Beard on its way to the state title. Their 4-0 victory in the final was powered by the one-hit pitching of Nadia Bhuiyan '23 and a towering home run by Ciera Yackel '22. It was a fitting climax to the season for Yackel, who led the team in batting average while hitting five home runs and driving in 32 runs.

At the conclusion of the season, Yackel, Bhuiyan, Sternchos, and Gwen Wells '21 were named first team all-stars in the Burlington County Scholastic League while Jade Glass '23 and Laylah Abdullah '21 made the second team.

While the individual achievements of this year's players were impressive, even more meaningful was the leadership and character of the team. "I have coached more individually talented players, but what made this team so successful was that they all played so well together. They were incredibly close and did the right thing all the time," observed Assistant Coach and Athletic Director, Mary Ann Williamson.

"Other teams would compliment us on how nice our girls were and how they didn't embarrass less talented opponents. It was a great group of girls to be around and one of the most enjoyable seasons we have ever had coaching," Williamson added.

Finishing 9-0 in the county league and winning the Prep state title has set a high bar for future Doane softball teams. But Wells is confident that next year's team will continue to excel. "I think that, especially after winning this year, the energy should be sustained because we now know what we can accomplish. It should be super motivating. Let's go out and win again!"

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ALICE HUANG'S GROUNDBREAKING RESEARCH Continues to Transform THE STUDY OF VIRUSES



While the COVID-19 pandemic has had a devastating impact on global health, it also has highlighted the vital work of scientists, including Alice Huang '57, whose groundbreaking work in microbiology and virus studies many years ago paved the way for the important research currently being conducted by virologists around the world.

Currently a Senior Faculty Associate at the California Institute of Technology, Dr. Huang was a professor of microbiology and molecular genetics for over twenty years at Harvard Medical School before becoming the dean for science at New York University. She is the recipient of numerous honorary degrees and awards, including the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine Distinguished Alumnus/a Award and the Eli Lilly Award in Immunology and Microbiology from the American Society of Microbiology.

Her academic journey in the United States began at St. Mary's Hall in 1945 when her father, the Right Reverend Quentin K. Y. Huang, arranged to have the school care for and educate his six year-old daughter while he traveled the country for ten months, working to raise funds for the newly created Yunkwei Diocese in southwest China. Soon after, Alice Shih-hou Huang was a boarding student at St. Mary's Hall and learning her first words of English. She and her family relocated back to China in 1946, but would soon return.

In 1949, when the Chinese Communist Party took control of Beijing and Shanghai, Alice Huang was again at St. Mary's Hall, where her education and welfare were put in the trust of headmistress Florence Newbold. Over the next three years, Dr. Huang boarded at the school and, when school was out for holidays or summer break, she most often stayed with Miss Newbold at Fairholm, the residence of the headmistress, which stood at the corner of Riverbank and Ellis Street (now a corner of the soccer field). Huang would also sometimes stay at the homes of classmates Peggy Fenimore or Mary Louise Harnischfeger.

Dr. Huang and her husband, David Baltimore, honored Florence Newbold's contributions to the school and her mentorship of Huang with a generous contribution in 2015 that led to the creation of the Florence Newbold Student Resource Center, on the third floor of Rowan Hall. At the time of her gift, Dr. Huang noted that St. Mary's Hall was "the school that taught me how to become an American" and that it "gave me a solid foundation on which to build."

Dr. Huang describes herself as a student who was good in most subjects (and especially liked history and math) but who gravitated towards science because of the influence of her father. "He told me that he liked the idea of me saving lives instead of souls," explained Dr. Huang, who found science at the university level to be intellectually stimulating. She eventually made her way to an MD/PhD program at Johns Hopkins after beginning her undergraduate studies at Wellesley College.



The Rt. Rev. Quentin K. Y. Huang



Dr. Huang with her siblings, in 1942 (L to R): Gia, a.k.a. Laura, Jack, Joy Ann, and Alice



1957 high school graduation photo

enrolled only men. And she proudly points out that today there are more women pursuing biological sciences than there are in other sciences.

While Dr. Huang was one of only three women (of 21 students) in her program at Johns Hopkins, she suggested that this disparity did not have a negative impact on her education. Indeed, she explained that Johns Hopkins School of Medicine had been founded with significant financial help from wealthy

women in Baltimore and that

their wish was for the school

to be coeducational, at a time

when most medical schools

Dr. Huang's groundbreaking research work in microbiology at Johns Hopkins, MIT, and Harvard focused on the study of viruses, and has yielded a range of important discoveries that impact virology today. As noted by Caltech's website, "in studies on vesicular stomatitis virus, [Dr. Huang] was the first to purify and characterize defective interfering (DI) viral particles." Moreover, "she was, also, the first to demonstrate that RNA and DNA enveloped viruses, including leukemia viruses, herpes viruses and human immunodeficiency virus, phenotypically mix their surface glycoproteins resulting in alterations of antigenicity and host range."

She describes the success of the COVID-19 vaccines as "astounding." She still fields calls from the press to discuss her research and the indirect impact of her early RNA research on vaccine development today. But most of all, Dr. Huang now takes pleasure in the accomplishments of those she calls her "intellectual children"—her former students who have by now created their own success stories in science. She is especially proud of the women she has mentored over her distinguished career.

In her middle school science class at St. Mary's Hall, where she constructed a volcano, one might not have predicted that Alice Huang would become such an impactful member of the scientific community. But Dr. Huang's contributions to microbiology are immense. Simply put, the impact of her work continues to reverberate, especially during a time when the study of viruses is so important.



Alice Huang (second row, left), pictured with the Lower School of St. Mary's Hall, 1951



(L to R) Dr. Huang as a Research Associate at MIT in 1970 and as professor at Harvard in the 1980s



Family photo from 1975: Teak, David Baltimore , and Dr. Huang



Harvard professors, 1989: (L to R) Elizabeth Hay, Mary Ellen Avery, Alice Huang, Lynn Reed, Priscilla Schaffer

Dr. James Paradis Retires After 35 Years: His Living Legacy

On June 12, Dr. James Paradis was presented with the medal of the Society of Graduates at the 184th Commencement of Doane Academy. Like many past recipients of honorary membership in the Society, Dr. Paradis' story reveals a life spent in faithful service to Doane. But the themes that reappear in his story attest to something extraordinary in their own right—that throughout this lifetime of selfless pedagogy, there has always been a genuine goodness, an altruism focused on justice, the welfare of others, and the dignity of all human beings. His example has long represented a unique gift to life at Doane.

After completing a degree in social administration at La Salle College, James Paradis began his professional career as a social worker for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. And, in that capacity, he and his colleagues discovered that those referred for social services often could not read well enough to identify the very challenges they were facing. Early in his professional life, he came to view teaching the people whom he served as a way to help them deal with the adversity they were confronting. When a new administration in Pennsylvania shut down the literacy program that he was working on, and the social work that he was asked to do became, in his words, "less human and more punitive," he came to believe that he ought to seek out a career in education. And in the middle of a school year, he sent out applications to begin such a career, and that is how he came to arrive at Doane in late 1986.

Over the next 35 years, Dr. P. taught an impressive array of courses at Doane: Latin, Humanities, Geography, US History, AP Psychology, Modern World History, Economics, World Religions, Law, African American History, American Minorities, Ethics & Ethical Leadership, and his specialty, Civil War & Reconstruction.

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As James Paradis was changing careers, he was all the while developing the expertise that would define his career as a teacher. For at the time that he joined the faculty at Doane, he had already been enrolled in a graduate program in history at Temple University for several years. First as a social worker, and then as a teacher, with a family at home, he completed a master's degree and a doctorate in history at Temple, culminating in a dissertation on the 6th United States Colored Infantry.

The impetus behind the dissertation is an important part of this story. The motivation behind his choice of that dissertation demonstrates not only Dr. Paradis' approach to historiography—and in particular to the way that we Americans tell our own history but it also reveals something fundamental about the kind of

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human being that he is. While studying at Temple, he became familiar with an influential book on Philadelphia and the Civil War. He noted that the author had given the white regiments from Philadelphia a robust treatment but had dispensed with the contributions of black Philadelphians in a paragraph or two. And when he learned the casualties suffered by these units of soldiers, the consequential battles in which they had fought and died, and the fact that three of them had been awarded the Medal of Honor, he set out to correct those injustices in the collective memory of the contributions of African Americans in the history of Philadelphia and in our nation's history.

His dissertation was published in 1998 as Strike the Blow for Freedom: The 6th United States Colored Infantry in the Civil War. And the historiographical approach that he had taken became a part of a life-long research program. A second book, African Americans and the Gettysburg Campaign, was published in 2005, and a second edition-with a considerable update-appeared in 2013. Alumni and scholars alike will be pleased to learn that he is at work on yet another book, writing this time on the antebellum life of Chaplain Jeremiah Asher of the 6th United States Colored Infantry. Even though the echoes of the Civil War still reverberate ominously through American political life, there is comfort to be had in knowing that there are 35 years of Doane alumni who understand how the Civil War has shaped our country, its people, and our daily lives because Dr. Paradis taught the story of Civil War & Reconstruction with objectivity and moral clarity.

Those who have graduated from Doane in the last 35 years will remember that Dr. Paradis was an integral part of several celebrated school traditions. Most recent alumni will have taken trips to Harper's Ferry, Antietam, and/or Gettysburg, and will have walked with the man himself in the footsteps of John







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Book 'strikes blow' for blacks' efforts during Civil War

Jim Paradis, a college history professor, expounds on the contributions of the 180,000 black men and women involved in the war.

By Beth Long

Staff Writer ABINGTON — It took 10 years of research before Jim Paradis could write his book about the contributions of black troops in the

write his book about the contributions of black troops in the Civil War. "There was very, very little written

"There was very, very little written on particularly the black combat role," said the 51-year-old Abington resident.

Paradis is a history professor at Beaver College in Glenside. He also teaches part-time at Cabrini College in Radnor and St. Mary's Hall, a private school in Burlington, N.J.

His book, "Strike the Blow for Freedom," looks at the 6th United States Colored Infantry, a regimer of black soldiers that trained at Camp William Peno (now the LaMott section of Cheltenham) during the summer of 1863.



Abington resident Jim Paradis, a professor at Beaver College, wrote a book called "Strike the Blow for Freedom." (Photo: Laurence Kelly)

It was the first federally commissioned training and recruiting camp for black soldiers and has been the subject of research by a number of authors and historians. The camp's iron gate still stands on Sycamore Avenue A small museum in smatinained in an old firehouse at 1618 Willow Ave to keep the legacy of these black soldiers alive.

In honor of Black History Month, Paradis will speak about his book 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Barnes & Noble in Willow Grove.

He has been interested in the Civil War since he was a young boy

Top: Dr. Paradis walks with the Class of 2021. Middle left: The classroom that Dr. Paradis called his own for many years. Lower left: Dr. Paradis speaks at Gettysburg, marking the 150th anniversary of the Civil War battle. Lower right: Dr. Paradis, featured in a newspaper article, proudly holds up his first book, *Strike the Blow For Freedom*. Brown and Jeremiah Asher. The steady hand of Dr. Paradis has directed productions of Doane's Dungeon and the Christmas Mystery since Ronald Reagan was president. Ultimately, there are three and a half decades of senior classes who remember Dr. P. each in their own ways: as a history teacher, as a mock trial coach, as a friend, as Student Council advisor, as a member of the Huggs Family for twenty years, as a diehard partisan Spartan on the sidelines of our athletic contests. These are only some of the roles that Dr. Paradis has played at Doane. His record of service is truly extensive; his absence from the school will be felt in ways large and small over the coming years.

I learned recently that, in the decade after I graduated, Dr. P. was the faculty advisor to a group called the Kindness Project. The mission of the Kindness Project was, unsurprisingly, to promote kindness, and in one of their typical activities, Dr. Paradis recalled fondly that they had hosted a prom in the dining hall for a group of young people with intellectual differences. Those of you whose lives Dr. Paradis touched will all know exactly why a group called the Kindness Project would choose to involve him in their enterprise.

On this bittersweet occasion, I convey to Dr. and Mrs. Paradis the best wishes of the entire Doane community for a peaceful and gratifying retirement. And I join all alumni in welcoming Dr. P. to his new role as a member of the Society of Graduates.

—Alex Buzick '96





Clockwise from top left: Mending fences at the Manassas Battlefield with the class of 2007, a Founder's Day alumni & faculty softball game, with the Class of 2010 at John Brown's cabin, with his school family, the Huggs Family.





Rocks, Roots & Wings Returns

Rocks, Roots & Wings, designed to cultivate social and emotional growth and help each student see the strengths within themselves, returned to action this fall after having to be cancelled in 2020 due to the pandemic. While this year's senior class travelled to Gettysburg and then to Long Beach Island across this three day event, the rest of Doane's middle and upper school students headed to the YMCA of the Pines, a campground spread across over 800 acres in Medford. All students were committed to the educational experiences of the program, which included team building exercises and individual challenges. While these were each designed to be engaging and fun, they were also built to move students beyond their comfort zone and into territory where strong character and leadership skills are developed.







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The 2021-22 school year brings to Doane Academy several new members of the faculty and staff, as well as new roles and responsibilities for current teachers.

Robyn Henry arrived at Doane this summer to assume the important role of Director of College Counseling. Ms. Henry brings to Doane a wealth of experience and expertise. She comes to us from Stuart Country Day School, where she served as Director of College Counseling since 2014. Prior to joining Stuart, Ms. Henry served as Associate Dean for Undergraduate Admission at Princeton University; earlier in her career she held this same position at Stevens Institute of Technology. She earned her undergraduate degree at the University of Pennsylvania and her master's at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Virginia Stanley has joined Doane as Middle School science teacher and assistant coach of the Middle School soccer team. Ms. Stanley is a graduate of Middlebury College, where she majored in geology and served as a research assistant in three Geology Department laboratories. She was active in a variety of organizations in college, including the water polo team for which she served as captain.

Brianna Horgan comes to Doane to teach chemistry and Upper School science. Ms. Horgan previously taught chemistry for three years at Franklin Academy in Connecticut. She has also



(L to R) Lauren Breslin, Virginia Stanley, Robyn Henry, Ckrisen Milfort-Milligan, Amy McMinn, Brianna Horgan



worked on a STEM program for girls at Carnegie Science Center in Pittsburgh. She earned her undergraduate degree in chemistry and history from Dickinson College and her master's from St. Joseph's University.

Ckrisen Milfort-Milligan has joined the Doane faculty as the school's new fourth grade teacher. Ms. Milfort-Milligan comes to Doane from Tacony Academy Charter School in Philadelphia, where she has taught fourth grade for the past five years with a particular focus on math education. Previously, she taught kindergarten and first grade. She earned her degree in education from Bloomsburg University.

Amy McMinn will teach Upper School history and coach the Mock Trial team at Doane this year. Ms. McMinn comes to Doane with an extensive international background, having taught previously at Colegio Interamericano in Guatemala and the Jerusalem American School in Israel. A native of North Carolina, she is a graduate of Guilford College and earned her master's degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Lauren Breslin has joined Doane to serve as a second school counselor, working with and reporting to School Psychologist and Director of Wellness, Dr. Enid Flagg in support of the growing health and wellness needs of our students. Ms. Breslin comes to Doane from St. Ann School in Lawrenceville, NJ, where she served as School Counselor for the past four years. She has

additional school counseling experience at Holland Middle School and Friends School in Mullica Hill. She is a graduate of George School and earned her undergraduate degree in psychology from Temple University. She received her master's degree in counseling psychology from Holy Family University.

In addition to these new teachers and staff members, several current faculty members are taking on new roles this year.

Kate Cottrell and Donte Milligan, current teachers of Latin and history respectively, will share chaplain responsibilities at Doane this year. Ms. Cottrell and Mr. Milligan both bring to this role extensive experience in youth ministry and, of course, great familiarity with Doane students and our school's mission. Ms. Cottrell earned her master's in theological studies from Harvard Divinity School. She also served as Director of Youth Ministries for two years at St. Peter's Cathedral, an Episcopal church in Helena, Montana. In addition, Ms. Cottrell served as Parish Administrator for St. Peter's. For the past four years, Mr. Milligan has served as the Youth Minister and Director of the "Freedom School" Program at Cookman Beloved Community Baptist Church. He is pursuing his master's degree in theology and biblical studies at United Lutheran Seminary. Over the years, many individuals from different backgrounds and traditions have served Doane students as chaplain, and the community looks forward to Ms. Cottrell and Mr. Milligan building on that great tradition.

Kath Brandwood, who is beginning her seventh year teaching English at Doane, has been appointed Dean of Student Life. In this new role, Ms. Brandwood will create, oversee, and implement programs and support for Upper School students. In addition, she will assist in facilitating the smooth transition of 8th graders to Upper School. Jarred Williams, who is beginning his third year teaching English at Doane, will lead the advising program, developing curriculum and providing professional development for advisors. Mr. Williams brings to this role extensive experience in overseeing advising programs and a deep knowledge of the needs of students. Katie Sereduk will lead Doane's Community Service and Learning Program. Over her nine-year career at Doane, Ms. Sereduk has taught AP Psychology, designed and executed Lead Onward classes, and led international travel and summer programs. Julian Cook, now in his fourth year teaching Spanish at Doane, has been appointed Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Mr. Cook has been a driving force in Doane's DEI initiatives since he joined the faculty and brings expertise and passion to this important work. Ms. Brandwood, Mr. Williams, Ms. Sereduk, and Mr. Cook will continue their teaching roles as they take on these new leadership duties. In addition to the above changes, Stacy Anderson will take on a variety of new responsibilities this year, as she moves on from her classroom teaching role. Ms. Anderson will serve as Lower School Librarian and STEAM assistant teacher, as well as the administrator of our after-school programming for Lower School. In addition, she will oversee the School Family program.

From the Archives

A Peek Into the Deep Past of the Doane Campus

Fifty yards from the river a group of men and women are seated together, each holding two rocks, and each striking one rock against the edge of the other, breaking flakes off in the process. The sun is quickly setting, the weather turning noticeably colder, and the shad are becoming scarce in the river as they are clearly migrating ahead of the approaching winter. Now weighed down with flopping fish, a muscular man gathers his net from the water, and he moves his catch up the sloped riverbank toward his Lenape community. His family is seated beside an open fire that is keeping them warm and that will later serve to smoke these fish that will feed them and their community throughout the winter.

Scenes similar to the one described above may have been repeated for thousands of years along the stretch of land that is now known as the campus of Doane Academy. Archaeological digs and detailed contemporaneous research done ahead of the construction of Rowan Hall in 2014 delivered the evidence that illustrates much that took place along the riverbank long before the school's 1837 founding.

Among the many artifacts recovered in three phases of archaeology were 39 prehistoric (also referred to as pre-European contact) artifacts. These include: one quartzite nutting stone, one quartzite hammer stone, one possible schist hoe blade, one possible steatite bowl fragment, eight quartzite flakes, 11 quartzite fire-cracked rock fragments, and 16 argillite flakes. The flakes indicate that the indigenous occupants engaged in chipped stone tool production on this site. The raw materials for these activities were most likely gathered nearby from the river and then reduced on-site. The depth of their recovery and the lack of pottery strongly suggests that these items date to the Terminal Archaic or Early Woodland period (2000-4000 years ago), prior to the introduction of fired clay pottery.

The absence of pottery, or of any other prehistoric artifacts that are less than 2,000 years old may be explained by the deep plow zone found during the digs. The plow zone, created by European settlers who engaged in agriculture on this site from



the late 1600's, suggests that the soils went through extensive deflation and erosion caused by plowing activities. What emerges is an odd profile in the soil at Doane; the top several strata and the artifacts recovered from these layers date from the present day back to the 1730's, then there is a buried plow zone stratum, and then the lowest stratum contains items that date back thousands of years. As a result, roughly 2,000 years of history of the indigenous people who lived on or moved across what is now the Doane campus cannot be gleaned from what was recovered in the dig on the footprint of Rowan Hall.

Within the final report on this excavation, written by archaeologists Michael J. Gall, Philip A. Hayden, Tabitha Hilliard, and Richard Veit, Ph.D., and prepared by RGA (Richard Grubb Associates) it is stated that due to the plow zone as well as the fact that they did not find any clear edge to the prehistoric site, the full extent and size of the Lenape community or communities that resided on the land that now is the Doane campus cannot be determined from this dig. But it can clearly be stated that the ancient ancestors of the Lenni Lenape did in fact call this beautiful stretch of the riverbank their home.

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Quartzite Hammer Stone



Fire-cracked rock



Prehistoric Grindstone



Stone tool, utilized, flake scars present

Doane Academy 2020–2021 Annual Report

Thank you to the trustees, faculty, staff, students, parents, grandparents, alumni, and friends of Doane Academy who supported our fundraising efforts during the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

Despite the continued obstacles presented by COVID-19, we had a very successful year of fundraising. Our Annual Fund participation—the number of graduates and families who donate to the Annual Fund—significantly increased this year. Alumni participation increased by 68% and parent participation was up a record breaking 114%. Support for our school took many forms, including unrestricted gifts to support our operations, as well as bequests, grants, and participation in our community events over the course of the year.

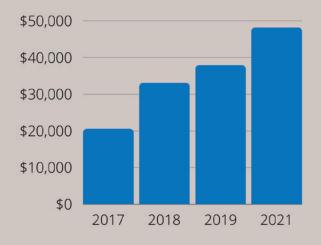
In July, 2020, a record number of golfers participated in the annual Mark Keays Golf Outing. Net proceeds from this event, which directly benefited Doane's athletic department, totaled just under \$20,000. This was especially notable, given the COVID-19 restrictions that had to be followed in order to host the event. As we were unable to gather in person for our annual Taste of the Best event this year, we held a restaurant appreciation week to thank all of the venues that have supported this event over the years. We kicked the week off with a virtual cooking demonstration by Robin Winzinger of the Robin's Nest in Mt. Holly, featuring our own Head of School, George Sanderson, assisting in the kitchen. This event encouraged our Doane community to dine in or get take out from over 20 local restaurants, as a way of showing them gratitude and support during these challenging times. We look forward to bringing back in-person Taste of the Best in February 2022.

In May, we held our traditional day of giving, #DoaneNation. This year we exceeded our goal of 325 donors and raised over \$48,000, unlocking several challenges throughout the day. During these difficult times, while we were not able to be physically present with each other, the continued generosity of our community reminds us that the connections formed at Doane are lasting and present beyond our campus walls. We look forward to welcoming friends and family back to campus this year and reconnecting at various events throughout the year. Plan on joining us on October 9th for the return of our Homecoming Tailgate. On behalf of our students and faculty, who benefit so much from your generosity, thank you for your ongoing support of our mission, and the programs we provide to realize our goals.

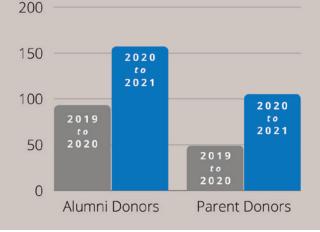
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1955 Constance Price Smith, July 27, 2021
1959 Anne Cramer Hoover, June 3, 2021
1961 Suzanne Shaw Smith, July 18, 2021
1971 Peter Rugg, August 20, 2021

1939

On September 19th **Catherine (Kay)**

Phelon Allen will be 100! She is still active and lives on her own in an apartment in Lawrence, Kansas. With her two children, six grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren there is never a dull moment. Kay is also in the process of writing her second novel. FaceTime, email, and text keep her in touch with the outside world as visiting is pretty much on hold right now with the virus. She feels fortunate to have **Pam Borden Heckert '67** as a dear friend who keeps her informed of the school's accomplishments.



Kay Allen '39

1950

Climate change may be elevating temperatures in the Northeast, but our classmates in the Pacific Northwest have been hit even harder, so we contacted two to see how they came through. Toni Hulbert Huntling has weathered the terrible heatwaves on her 10-acre spread in southern Oregon and no forest fire has threatened her property. As she lives alone, she has moved in with neighbors who have central AC for brief periods of time. Alas, her very old dog died-always very sad. She is anticipating with some trepidation a big 90th birthday bash in August engineered by her daughters.



Left: Members of the class of 1954 enjoyed a summer-visit: (L to R) Elaine Thatcher Smith, Bette Birdsall Evans, Toni Black Medwedeff and Margaret Stillwaggon Collis. Right: Bette Birdsall Evans '54 and Darlene Palmere Byrne '54

Happy birthday, Toni! Also surviving in the hot Northwest is Alice Shoemaker. who escaped from the senior living establishment that was not to her liking and is back in Seattle just a few miles from her old bailiwick. This was not easily accomplished during the pandemic. She has AC and can sleep well at night. Well done, Alice. Wylie and I, Sallie Siegrist Sypher, have been warm enough, but nothing like the Pacific Northwest. We finished our book of local history-so something positive came out of the pandemic for us. And we have enjoyed our annual family trip to Maine with our own children, as well as the children and grandchildren of Margaret Siegrist Lair Robbins '56 and Betsy Siegrist Petri '61.

1954

In May, Bette Birdsall Evans and I, Margaret Stillwaggon Collis, met for lunch in Florida where we both live. We talked about having a mini-reunion in the summer. In July, Bette and her daughter flew to Pennsylvania to visit family and on the way saw Darlene Palmere Byrne. Darlene reports she is very happy in her new home. Bette, her daughter, and I met Toni Black Medwedeff and Elaine Thatcher Smith in a restaurant outside of Philadelphia where we had a wonderful lunch and caught up on our news. Toni and Elaine had just returned from a cruise up the coast of New England. We are looking forward to the fall when we hope the cruise ships start sailing again.

1957

Cynthia Johnson Floria recently celebrated her 82nd birthday in Chicago with all of her family, including her daughter's fiancé (first ever) and granddaughter's significant other (they bought part of a brownstone together). It had been 3 years since they had all been together. Traveling finally worked well and was fun again. They returned to Fort Lauderdale where mask mandates were back in place. They are determined to outlive this pandemic!

1959

Katie Hutton Tweedy was particularly sad to learn of the recent passing of dear friend and classmate, Anne Cramer Hoover. "Her daughter, Kate, and our daughter, Ann, were roommates at Princeton. Warm thoughts to her husband, Ben, and their children. Charles and I are spending almost every day cleaning, fixing, and restoring the 1736 Paws Farmhouse and nature center where we volunteered for 25 years in the 80's and 90's. It's a gem owned by Mount Laurel, New Jersey and well worth the attention for those of us working to save it and bring it back to life!"

1960

Penny Reggie Crabtree enjoyed the photo of former faculty member Dorothy Cathell and students in the spring issue of *Ivy Leaves*. Dorothy was her English teacher at St. Mary's Hall and taught Penny a lot about books and writing. She even credits Dorothy for her current occupation as owner of Crabtree's Collection Books, an old books business, which to her surprise is flourishing. She is glad that people are buying and enjoying old books as both she and her husband of 41 years have a large collection of personal books in addition to those that they sell.

1961

Our 1961 SMH class is very saddened at the recent loss of our dear friend Suzanne (Suzi) Shaw Smith. Many sentiments were included in our news; she will be missed! Linn Davies still enjoys living at the shore but didn't make her annual winter vacation to Florida this year because of COVID. Sandy Stackhouse, our former classmate who lives in North Carolina, was one of Linn's many visitors while in Florida. Sandy will be traveling with family to New Jersey and Linn is looking forward to visiting with her in Ventnor as well. Suggie Dorsett Cary is missing her best friend as her husband Rick passed away this past Christmas morning. She is keeping busy with interesting outings and community activities where she lives. She hopes to make a day trip to visit Linn while Sandy Stackhouse is in town. Trudi Scott Lefavour and Roy are doing ok. Their daughter and three children drove up from Tennessee for a week; they hadn't seen them since Christmas 2019. Trudi went to Founder's Day on May 15th which was held outside; it was our 60th reunion and she was the only one from our class there. She did enjoy catching up with Julia Gleason Rhoads '57 and Marsha Megariotis '65 and having lunch with one of the seniors and a recent graduate. Trudi hopes you are well and venturing out a little now that things are coming under a little bit of control. Jean Scott Lendvay is so sorry to hear of Suzi's passing and says that she has so many fond memories of our time at St. Mary's Hall together. Alice Collins Fisk is still at Edgemere in Dallas and Jean is able to see her often. All is well. Betsy Siegrist **Petri** said she is sorry to hear about Suzi who was a dear friend at St. Mary's Hall and sat next to her for 4 years in homeroom. Betsy also shared that her husband, Rich, died in February after dealing with heart failure for many months. He was at home on hospice and the entire family was with him until the end. It is difficult to deal with the loss after nearly 55 years of marriage, but their children live nearby and are

a real source of comfort. She hopes all is well with you. Diane Wilson Koger is saddened by Suzi's passing and will miss the close friendship both couples shared over many years. Diane said she enjoyed an evening with Carol Richards Culberson '63 who was visiting from her home in Toledo, Ohio. She said they had a girls' night out with lots of laughs! Again, Diane is extending an invitation for a get-together, with hope it will happen soon! I, Linda Whinney, am doing well. My family is small and I am proud of my grand-nephew who graduated from college this year after a whole year delay because of COVID and my grand-niece will graduate next year with plans of continuing on to graduate school. Oh my, how time passes! Hoping that you are all well and happy.

1963

Did you all see the lovely picture of Jeanette Smith Cureton on the postcard from Doane? She looked wonderful and we are so proud of her accomplishments and continued involvement with Doane's Board of Trustees. In mid-July, she and husband, Bryant, made a long-awaited trip to California to see their two daughters and four grandchildren, the first time together in 18 months. To celebrate Jeanette's 75th birthday with the family and to hug those little ones was beyond wonderful, she states. Six year-old Tyler will be starting first grade in the fall and the five-year-old twins will be starting kindergarten. Two year-old Alex has Jeanette wrapped around his little finger. Anne Wright reports she and Howard are doing well in Milwaukee and things are quiet. We will look forward to what is coming up next for you, Anne. We have lots of news from Meredith Ates Gray in Alabama. She remembers Mrs. Knoll fondly and credits her for her love of history. She lives in a town that has been recognized on historic tours and loves her 1800's style farmhouse. Her happiest news is that she is now a great-grandmother to a beautiful little girl named Olivia Sage. Meredith is in frequent contact with another classmate. Linda Sharlin, and said she is the hardest working person she knows. Linda writes that she has stopped traveling for work and misses being able to catch up with Ibby and Sherry when travelling south. Many of her clients are unable to meet with her due to COVID restrictions. She has travelled for pleasure to Cape

Cod, Philadelphia, and NYC. She was able to see the Immersive Van Gogh exhibit in NYC and go axe throwing in Philadelphia. Whoa, Linda, we bet that is a first time event for a class member! I, Carol Richards Culberson, have hit the road to travel now that things are opening up after our long, dark year of COVID. In July, I visited my stepdaughter and family on Long Beach Island, my brother in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and I am set to go to both sons in Austin, Texas and Bend, Oregon. I have started a new widow's group, Tabitha's Table, and it seems to be growing exponentially. While in New Jersey, I had a wonderful evening with my big sister, Diane Wilson Koger '61. These friendships lasting over 60 years have been a blessing in my life.



Diana David Horowitz '66 and family

1966

Diana David Horowitz is still loving life in Vancouver, Washington; she and her husband have been there for almost six years. They have made many friends and have been able to spend quality time with their daughter Karyn, her husband Fernando, as well as their precious children Emilio 4 1/2 and Matias 23 months. A wonderful time was had on the coast of Lincoln City, Oregon and they luckily missed the three digit heatwave. Glorious days for all! As if COVID wasn't enough, Diana lost two dear,

lifelong friends from New Jersey. As always the invitation is extended to anyone who would like to visit the magical Pacific Northwest. Their door is always open. Leona Soltesz Maffei and her husband are very busy moving from their beautiful home in the lovely town of Lawrenceville where they have spent many happy years. Moving is always stressful but well worth the effort when all is said and done. Hopefully Claire Schaeffer Holt, Turba Kanter Steinberg, Lynn VanDuzer Muller and Leona can continue our luncheons soon. Maybe this time in Columbus, New Jersey. As for me, Angie Biehl, I went back to work in February at the Behavioral Health Center as the Education Coordinator. I never thought I would still be working through my retirement years, but I do enjoy my new career after 40 years of teaching. My granddaughter Sophia will be attending St Joseph's University this September. How lucky they are to have such an intelligent, clever, beautiful, and kind person join their rolls. There is of course, a possibility that I may be biased. Marsha Megariotis and I have been having a blast dancing to the oldies every chance we get. It's not the years in your life but the life in your years. Please, any members of class 1966, contact me at Angiebiehl@aol. com to have your info included.

1967

Pam Borden Heckert relayed that her broken ankle is healed, and in July she revived her nursing career while Clark recuperated from pneumonia. Keeping him out of the hospital where COVID reigns meant home oxygen with a concentrator that makes for great whitenoise sleeping. Grandson Wyatt was cutting four molars at once and driving his parents crazy. Pam is working on the sequel to Alma Mater about the life of a pupil from San Francisco in 1857 and beyond. Karen Berger Levin fractured her right foot back in late March - a Jones fracture which is the slowest to heal, 11 weeks+ in a boot and 8 weeks non-weight bearing. Once she got the boot off, she developed a small blood clot in the leg and was put on blood thinners for a few months. She is now rehabbing just to walk normally and is hoping to complete a half marathon in November! Her oldest son was in Tokyo for the Olympics working for NBC Newschannel and producing some of the feed. He was guarantined for two weeks and not allowed out of the hotel rooms. The crew was all screened for

COVID before they left and have been vaccinated... but the Japanese are taking no chances. Jane Connors Rehark's fourth son, Corey, married in May. All her sons are now spoken for. It was a beautiful wedding and his bride, Theresa, made the cake and handmade her veil! Jane's granddaughter, Kaylee, graduated from high school with honors and will be attending Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Jane still has her adopted five cats and continues to feed outdoor cats and kittens as well. Her poodles are overwhelmed! Anne Gold Gleason had a wonderful week down the shore in Seaside Park, New Jersey! Another fun mini-reunion was held with Gayle Van Duzer Carson, Jody Hardenbergh Tucci, and Nancy Applegate Carlson. Anne's chorus will be starting up again for the Christmas season. They produced a patriotic and inspirational DVD similar to the one they did at Christmas to distribute to area retirement centers and nursing homes. She sends love to all her classmates and looks forward to hearing from them at any time! Jody Hardenbergh Tucci included the picture of the mini-reunion group sitting on the dock of the bay! When Anne Gold Gleason vacationed in Seaside Park last week, Nancy Applegate Carson invited them to her house for lunch. During the mini-reunion, the group was able to FaceTime with Pam Borden Heckert. That was a fun addition technologically speaking. Let them know if you want to join them next time, the more the merrier. Jody and Chip are so excited that they are now proud

grandparents of a beautiful baby girl, their first grandchild. Judy Herman and Bruce are now in Olympia, Oregon enjoying this extended semi-vacation from ranch life, though she continues to do some teaching. They will be unpacking for the next year, she thinks. They are getting used to not having all those never ending chores and said what a luxury that is. Judy is down to four tomato plants, cucumbers, and kale in large pots. Janie Rosenthal Schorr has been having a good summer managing to escape the triple-digit temperatures in Las Vegas. They sold their house in Sun Valley and are building in Aspen, Colorado. The tiny 135-year-old Victorian house they are renting, in the meantime, is perfectly located less than a mile from town and is near restaurants, shops, cultural event venues, and hiking and biking trails. The best part is they are now near their daughter, son-in-law, and four-year-granddaughter. Janie's mom permanently moved from Florida and is living with them. Janie said that although it's great having her, she's constantly trying to help Janie around the house. Janie thinks that at 93 her mom should slow down but she won't hear of it! I, Bonnie Dix Cavanaugh, have been slowly integrating back into the real world. We had a cold spring immediately followed by the hottest summer on record here and the garden and flowers do not know what to do. We are presently in the worst drought conditions and the greatest fire danger. I cannot water enough to keep everything alive. Tuck is busy



Members of the class of 1967 enjoyed a mini-reunion: (L to R) Nancy Applegate Carlsen, Jody Hardenbergh Tucci, Anne Gold Gleason, Gayle Van Duzer Carson

splitting firewood and very early in the mornings, I stack the wood. A porcupine climbed the 6' fence and helped itself to part of a row of raspberries, eating berries, leaves, and canes.

1971

Peggy Edwards has been busy with visitors and traveling post lockdown. In April she went to Portland, Oregon to see her brother Mike. Her new internet family came to the island to see her. Mike came as well and played golf for five days. Then she went home to Venice Beach and beyond for the month of July, including a birthday week at a 100 year-old lodge in Mammoth Lakes. Mountain biking, party boating - just great fun! She is planning an autumn jaunt to Philadelphia, then perhaps New Mexico. Wendy Elliott Russell and Andy have retired, and arrived in Santa Fe in February with their 13 year-old dog after 5 years in Munich. There were lots of hurdles and bureaucracy to overcome after 25 years overseas, but what a wonderful place to be. Santa Fe is small, 360 degrees of mountains and desert at 7,300 feet, and full of culture (opera to rodeo), it is the 3rd largest art center in the US, and has unique architecture and superb food. She's joined the Drylands Gardening group, Santa Fe Stargazers, and Casual Ornithologists - hummingbirds are a favorite.



Wendy Elliot Russell '71

1976

Rita and **Michael Thomas** recently celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary. They both are preparing for joint replacements—Rita needs a hip, and Mike needs a knee. Their son Caleb is now a junior criminal justice major at the University of Dayton and wants to go into law enforcement, probably at the federal level. Their daughter Caitlin lives in the D.C. area and works as a senior analyst for the federal government. Mike was in D.C. recently to witness her commissioning as an ensign in the US Navy Reserve and to see her get her first salute. Later this year, she will be off to Newport, Rhode Island for training as a new officer. Mike is still writing books on Social Security, Medicaid, Medicare, Health Care and Telehealth and just accepted a new role with a California



Commissioning of Caitlin Thomas, daughter of Michael Thomas '76, as an Ensign in the US Navy Reserve

company, WelbeHealth. He is also still active with the Knights of Columbus in Ohio and has recently become parish council president at his church.

1977

Harry Van Sciver and Maggie are expecting their first grandchild in August. Their daughter, Sarah Melnick, and her husband, Jeffrey have already named the little guy: Bruce. Harry looks forward to teaching Bruce to hike, hunt, fish, and make a good Manhattan.

1978

After a year-and-a-half visiting position at Princeton University, **Adam Potkay**, will be back at William and Mary in Virginia, full time, starting in September—hopefully, a return to post-Zoom, in-person teaching. His son Aaron just got his PhD in Hydrology from Rutgers, and will be working, remotely, as a post-doctoral researcher at the University of Minnesota. And at the end of 2021 or early 2022, his latest book will be out: *Hope—A Literary History*. A timely topic!

1985

Rob Bodine is a grandfather! Leila Marie Bodine was born in January 2021. According to Rob, she likes to stand, bounce and laugh, which reminds me of Rob in high school. Congrats to the Bodine family! Michelle Bowen Canino reports that her son Alex had a fantastic senior season. His high school team played for the state championship, but unfortunately came up 1 run short. They were the AAAAA 2nd place team in South Carolina. Alex is off to Limestone College to study cybersecurity and he will pitch for their baseball team. Christina Cecchi's daughter Sabina Osterman, was a lifer like her mother, and graduated from Doane Academy in June. Sabina will be attending Virginia Tech in the fall and exploring architecture as a major. Jenn Sehorn Wells and Chuck Wells also have a Class of 2021 Doane graduate; their daughter Gwenivere. Gwen will be attending the University of Maryland in the fall. I was honored to be on the Wells' guest list and see both Gwen and Sabina graduate. In June, Jeff Ugoretz celebrated 20 years in the ministry! Congrats on achieving this impressive milestone, Jeff! He and his wife Lynde live in Corning, New York. In February of this year, my husband and I, Cindy Ferguson-Pennepacker, decided to leave sunny California and move closer to our friends and families in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. We picked Nashville and have spent the summer getting used to humidity, bugs, and thunderstorms. We are looking forward to more frequent visits to see our classmates, and I remain in awe of the friendships we continue to foster 35+ years after graduation.

1988

On March 26th, **Kathleen Keays** Oliver married Richard Oliver in an evening wedding at the Lambertville Station Inn on the Delaware River in Lambertville, New Jersey. A fitting spot to have so many Doane Academy alumni, students, faculty, and friends in attendance. Alumni and student guests included Christina Cecchi '85, Joe DeMarco '13, Amelia Strenchos '21, Elijah Smiley '22, Gayatri Harikumar '23, and I, Chancellor Van Sciver. Her



Jennifer Sehorn Wells '85, Cindy Ferguson Pennepacker '85, Gwen Wells '21, Leon Pennepacker, Chuck Wells '85 at the 2021 Doane Graduation



Class of 1985 at the 2021 Doane Graduation: Chuck Wells, Jennifer Sehorn Wells, Cindy Ferguson Pennepacker, Joe Garemore, Christina Cecchi

sons Brett Keays '13 and Andrew Keays '18 stood for her while Richard's daughter Sophia Oliver '22 and Brett's fiancée, Vanessa Kariger, stood for him. The ceremony music was provided by Gokul Harikumar'18. Past trustee, the Rev. Connor J. Haynes, performed the ceremony and Coach Dan Williamson was a reader. Pre-COVID, Kathleen and I had the chance to catch Ted Ramoundos singing with his band Arena Gods. Ted hasn't lost a bit of that fantastic voice! Ted and his wonderful bride Emily have been battling some health challenges the past year-please keep them in your thoughts. That isn't keeping Ted from rocking out–Arena Gods are still playing shows in and around South Jersey. I continue to see pictures of and get the occasional glimpse in person of Paul Salter as he rides his penny-farthing bicycle around Philadelphia. Paul also continues to make music,



performing vintage jazz in and around Philadelphia with Parlour Noir. It is always fun when two worlds collide—Paul and the band were recently interviewed and recorded by a good friend of mine from college for a local magazine. Regular *lvy Leaves* readers saw **Steve Teitelman** highlighted last year as one of the folks on the front lines in the battle with COVID. He continues to thrive and help others every day. That's it for now—I'd love to add more information, so please take that as an invitation to reach out. You can reach me through the school, or shoot me a message or reach out via Facebook, Instagram or email.

1995

Alex McTighe has gotten engaged to Megan Gauss—they will marry in the not too distant future. They will blend their families together and have three marvelous children living under their roof.



(L to R) Andrew Keays '18, Sophia Oliver '22, Richard Oliver, Kathleen Keays Oliver '88, Brett Keays '13, and Vanessa Kariger at Kathleen and Richard's wedding

Left: Kathleen Keays Oliver '88 and husband Richard Oliver

2002

Coral Bak and her partner Brooks welcomed their first daughter, Genevieve Jacalyn, on June 16. Everyone is healthy, happy, and enjoying the baby smiles and cuddles.

2004

On May 8, 2021, Rebecca Lockwood

married Brian Mangan, a litigation attorney, in a small ceremony at Cragsmoor Church in Stone Ridge, New York. The couple celebrated by climbing Sam's Point Mountain immediately after the ceremony. Last spring they relocated from the Upper East Side to nearby Edgewater, New Jersey. Rebecca just celebrated 7 years at Sotheby's New York and was promoted to Senior Vice President, Director of **Business Development, Fiduciary Client** Group. She played a critical role in securing the auction house's largest consignment of the year-the Collection of Mrs. John L. Marion which achieved \$157 million. She continues to speak about art law and presented most recently to the New York State Bar Association.

2008

Kim Doell continues to live in Providence, Rhode Island with her fiancée. She works as a program manager at the Harvard Innovation Labs and is currently pursuing her MBA.

2017

Tim Schwanitz graduated from Rutgers University with majors in English and entomology and a minor in plant science-all in the same year as the largest 17-year cicada emergence in the world (the symbolism is not lost on him). In the fall, he will begin pursuing a PhD in ecology and evolutionary biology and neuroscience at Princeton University. Tim will be a mosquito man, as he will investigate the neurobiology of the yellow fever mosquito. Adam Ziegler graduated Magna Cum Laude from Stonehill College May 15, 2021, with dual degrees-a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies. He will be continuing his education at the College of Charleston in Charleston, South Carolina pursuing a Master of Science in Marine Biology. He was also awarded a full fellowship in marine genomes.

2018

Brianna Newman graduated Summa Cum Laude in spring 2021 from Rutgers University, earning, in three years, a BA in Political Science, with minors in political science, Jewish studies and Middle Eastern studies. Having completed her undergraduate studies with a 4.0 GPA she was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa and Pi Sigma Alpha honor societies. She is currently working for Alight: Humanitarian Aid and Disaster Relief while also preparing for the LSAT, law school, and a career in international human rights.



Genevieve Jacalyn, daughter of Coral Bak '02



Rebecca Lockwood '04 and husband Brian Mangan

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