



2020 - A Year to Remember



The Mission of the Academy

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Hampton Roads Academy, an inclusive community of service and compassion, prepares students to excel intellectually, artistically, physically, and morally for higher education and for life.

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DEAR HRA COMMUNITY

This year has been very different from any other year in HRA's history. After our students abruptly pivoted to remote learning last spring, our intensive and strategic planning allowed our return to full on campus classes, successfully, for the 2020-2021 school year. This year *IS* different. While we are missing some of the traditions that set the rhythm of the annual cycle, we have seen that the essence of our school remains our great strength. The core values of honesty, respect and responsibility are present in our students' reaction and adaptation to the new normal. Our trust in each other and high expectations for our students and faculty continue to make HRA a healthy and happy place to think, explore and discover. Our students have been commendable in their willingness to be here and to ensure that we are doing everything we can to remain here, in person. Our daily attendance has not dropped a percentage point, either in the on-line sessions from the spring or in the on-campus experience this fall.



I believe that our success has come from a single source that has always been at the core of the Hampton Roads Academy experience, the dedication and commitment of a faculty that sincerely cares about and champions the student-teacher relationship. Their incredible efforts over the past months to prepare for on-line learning should we have to go there again, working literally around the clock at times to make this campus ready for our students to be safely on-campus where we know that learning happens best. We have instituted policies, modified schedules and initiated protocols and mediation procedures that certainly have changed the way that we do things at HRA on a daily basis. But, at the most important level of the HRA experience, the essence, we are the same, yet stronger. More aware and more dedicated than ever to make our school the best possible place to be at any time.

It is our sincere hope that through these pages you will see that, even in these turbulent times and with all the challenges we share, it is such a good time to be a Navigator.

Sincerely,

Peter W. Mertz
Head of School

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NAVIGATOR!

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Trustee, Alumni & Faculty

Legacies

Congratulations

CLASS OF 2020!

The Board of Trustees, faculty, and administration congratulate each member of the Hampton Roads Academy Class of 2020.

Elizabeth Barrett Amott
 Ellelyshia Hanako Mei Sin Lehualiko Ardo
 *Alexis Ann Audeh
 Aidan Brenner Bishop
 Simon Roebuck Boyer
 Jada Sabon Buckhanon
 *Megan Elizabeth Cockrell
 Avery William Cronin
 Dai Binying
 *Reilly Aren David
 Dong Zifei
 Adil-Negash Abdulwehab Edu
 Olivia Marie Ferrare
 William Patrick Flannery
 Micaela Grace Florance
 Ge Yuxin
 William David Griffiths
 Mary Katherine Hatcher
 Matthew William Hatcher
 Jacob Atticus Hensley
 Elizabeth Campbell Hickman
 *John Lawrence Howard III
 Christopher Drake James
 Kendal Michelle Johnson

Rory Christian King
 *Lindsay Howe Kovalcik
 Catherine GiaHan Le
 Alexander August Lemmink
 * Lu Xingyu
 Aran Scott Massengill
 Niccoló Nordera
 Roland Radu Pana
 Hyeonwoo Park
 Jane Keller Phillips
 *James Patrick Reid
 William McKinlay Revere
 *Blake Alexander Rouzie
 *Molly Catherine Rouzie
 Angelina Elise Santillo
 Owen Patrick Stanton
 David William Stout
 Margaret Paige Thompson
 Grace Adams Vaughan
 *Megan Grace Walters
 Thomas Scott Wieliczko
 Yassir Mekhi Wiggins
 Edward Stewart Wilson Jr.
 Zhou Huijie

*indicates membership in Cum Laude



Clay '82, Sara '90, Kenyon '17, Barrett '20 and Addison Amott (Class of 2023)



Reece (Class of 2025), Josh, Jenny (trustee) and Reilly David '20



Bridgitte Ferguson (faculty), Margaret '20 and Troy Thompson (Class of 2023)



Pete, Sophia '18, Lindsay '20, and Josephine Kovalcik (faculty)

Trustee, Alumni & Faculty

Legacies

continued



Aran '20 and Jennifer Massengill (faculty) (not pictured: Chris and Emma '17)



Julie (faculty), Chris, Blake '20, Molly '20 and Bryce Rouzie (Class of 2022)



David '20 and John Stout '82 (former trustee) (not pictured: Molly and Jeff '15)

Not-Pictured:

William Flannery '20
James P. Reid '20
Alexander Lemmink '20

Senior Awards



The Hampton Roads Academy Navigator Award is the highest honor the Academy presents. It was established in memory of Mrs. Elinor Hedrick Buxton by her family and is based upon significant scholastic achievement, outstanding leadership, high personal standards and demonstration of sound citizenship. The recipient was **Reilly Aren David**.



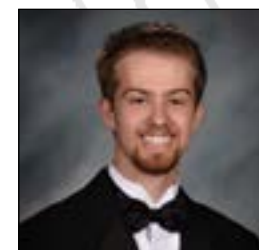
The Senior Valedictory Award is presented in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Robert E. Cox to the graduating senior who has maintained the highest academic average during his/her career at the Academy. The recipient was **John Lawrence Howard III**.



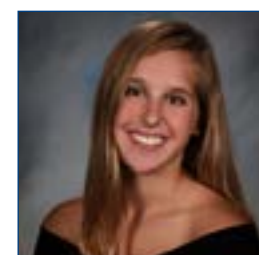
The Hampton Roads Academy Senior Headmaster's Honors Award is presented in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Wash to the graduating senior who has attained the highest academic achievement in all courses during the current year. The recipient was **Reilly Aren David**.



The Moonves Award is presented in memory of Mrs. Sylvia F. Moonves to the graduating senior who, through conscientious effort, high ambition and courage, outstanding character and excellent deportment, has made Hampton Roads Academy a better and friendlier place to live. The recipient was **Olivia Marie Ferrare**.



The Lee Award is presented annually in memory of Mr. Joseph E. Carpenter who was a trustee of Hampton Roads Academy for 30 years. The recipient is a graduating senior who, through genuine enthusiasm for school activities and active concern for the rights and feelings of other people, has contributed significantly to the development of school spirit and morale. The recipient was **David William Stout**.



The Hampton Roads Academy Service Award is presented in memory of Mrs. Robert L. Trimpi to the graduating senior who has most unselfishly served the Academy during the past year. The award is based on consistency of effort and loyalty to the ideals represented by the founding of the Academy. The recipient was **Molly Catherine Rouzie**.

Honors and Awards



Spanish Award -
Lindsay Howe Kovalcik



Mu Alpha Theta Award -
Owen Patrick Stanton



12th Grade English Award -
Edward Stewart Wilson Jr.



Katherine W. Booth Award -
William David Griffiths



AP Senior English Award -
James Patrick Reid



Senior History Award -
Grace Adams Vaughan



History Department
Outstanding Achievement -
Blake Alexander Rouzie



AP Environmental Science
Award - Xingyu Lu

Upper School Awards

- American Legion Boys State of VA Award - Alex Rous
- American Legion Girls State of VA Award - Elizabeth Hager, Addison-Parker Davis
- Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership Seminar Award - Addison Silberhorn
- Virginia Governor's School:
 - Foreign Language in French - Vivian Crooks
 - Foreign Language in Latin - Rachel Walker
 - Humanities - Lauren Kitay
 - Math, Science and Technology - Tyler Matalevich, Carter Patten
 - Agriculture - Neil O'Connor
 - Instrumental - Michael Kokolis, Adrienne Sugden
- Princeton Book Award - Alexandra Gendreau
- Harvard Book Award - Carter Patten
- Yale Book Award - Alexa Barlow
- William and Mary Leadership Award - Addison-Parker Davis
- Wellesley Book Award - Vivian Crooks
- John Hopkins Book Award - Sohee Lim
- University of Rochester Eastman Young Leaders Award - Lauren Kitay
- University of Rochester F Douglass and S.B. Anthony Award for Social Sciences - Elizabeth Hager
- University of Rochester Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award - Cooper Muench
- University of Rochester Xerox Award for Innovation & Technology - Neil O'Connor
- Rensselaer Medalist Award - Tyler Matalevich
- George Washington University Book Award - Ava Tankersley
- Sewanee Book Award - Sarah Sasinowska
- Hollins STEM Award - Adrienne Sugden
- Ceramics Award - Allie Reed
- Photography Award - Erin Holloway
- Strings Award - Blaine Hutchens
- Chorus Award - Faith Murray

Senior Awards

- Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award - Reilly Aren David
- AP Senior English Award - James Patrick Reid
- 12th Grade English Award - Edward Stewart Wilson Jr.
- French Award - John Lawrence Howard III
- Spanish Award - Lindsay Howe Kovalcik
- Latin Award - Reilly Aren David
- Senior History Award - Grace Adams Vaughan
- History Department Outstanding Achievement - Blake Alexander Rouzie
- AP Studio Art Award - Molly Catherine Rouzie
- AP Environmental Science Award - Xingyu Lu
- Mu Alpha Theta Award - Owen Patrick Stanton
- Katherine W. Booth Award - William David Griffiths
- Ann B. Fichter Senior Mathematics Award - Xingyu Lu

Student Awards



Middle School Awards

- Citizenship:**
 - 5th - Chase Sutton
 - 6th - Sophia Gately
 - 7th - Lily Haas
 - 8th - Kenneth Vander Vennet
- Scholarship:**
 - 5th - Sarah Park
 - 6th - Jason Starodub
 - 7th - Ishan Hartke
 - 8th - Leya Baalbaki
- Leadership:**
 - 5th - Logan Cone
 - 6th - Ares Marvell-Nguyen
 - 7th - Alora Chappell
 - 8th - Matthew Rogers
- Character:**
 - 5th - Indira Hartke
 - 6th - Jamie Dornan
 - 7th - Maddie Sablan
 - 8th - Daylon Smith
- Visual Arts:**
 - Lex Salas
- Compass Award:**
 - Caroline Rous

Lower School Awards

- Faculty Award:**
 - PK (Moore) - Malcolm Anderson
 - JK (Midgette) - Jordyn Brown
 - K (Bailey) - Kieran O'Connell
 - K (Kovalcik) - Keira McCrum
 - 1st (Holloway) - Charlie Esparza
 - 1st (Martin) - Gwen Segeleon
 - 2nd (Breitbeil) - Helena Sablan
 - 2nd (Silberhorn) - Sinjin Wright
 - 3rd (Baust) - Nicholas Kannarkat
 - 3rd (Gaines) - Harper Rose
 - 4th (Brown) - Nicole Rooney
 - 4th (Speece) - Selma Stetson

Eighth Grade Crossing

Article by Rhonda DeChirico, *Former Head of Middle School*



Students and teachers everywhere will long remember the spring of 2020 as the school year that ended like no other. As Covid-19 restrictions postponed and eventually cancelled annual school events in April and early May, we looked toward our final weeks of school and knew that some traditions just couldn't be left to chance. Our annual Eighth Grade Crossing Celebration - a celebration of students preparing to navigate a "Crossing" to new challenges and the next leg of their academic journey - was one of these. In spite of all the challenges and differences that marked this spring, the need to celebrate our Class of 2024 held firm. We were determined to celebrate this special group of students in a significant and memorable way, before we closed for the year... and so was conceived the "Middle School Drive-by Crossing Parade", on the campus of Hampton Roads Academy!

In recognition of their "Middle School Crossing", members of the Class of 2024 and their families were invited, rain or shine, to "decorate their ride", show their Navigator spirit and join in some socially distanced fun and celebrating THEM, and the end of their middle school years!

Springtime weather in Virginia is fairly fickle and unpredictable at best, but we were determined to make this happen! Thursday, May 28 dawned with gray skies and predictions of imminent and steady rain clearing by 3pm. By 4pm, rain was still steadily falling, eventually slowed to a drizzle, and finally cleared as cars began arriving at 5:30. The sun emerged, just in time!

Vehicles decorated with window paint, signs, balloons and even blue and gold tin cans to rattle behind, lined up along the parking lanes. Music played over outdoor speakers, as each vehicle rolled slowly and deliberately through the HRA carline. Some students waved from front seats. Some perched majestically on window edges, as they rolled through the procession. A fortunate few even safely stood and waved from the open backs of pickups and Jeeps, as if riding in a place of honor on a true parade float. Middle school faculty and administrators waved, cheered, rattled noisemakers and spun out bubbles to the wind, while masked and socially distanced along the sidewalks. Each car stopped briefly to receive a yearbook, a small bouquet of blue and gold flowers, and an individually boxed Navigator cupcake, before "Crossing" through the thirty foot arch of blue and gold balloons that spanned the driveway. Our seven HRA "Lifers" - Ellie Goldberg, Keira Holloway, Scottie Holloway, Sabrina Post, Matthew Rogers, Caroline Rous and Eric Wei - also received a yellow rose in recognition for having attended HRA since their very first PK class!

Our experiences, shared with all of our students, are priceless. The Class of 2024 includes some of our most talented Navigators, about to embark on the most exciting leg of their HRA journey. A wise teacher once shared with students that "Middle School does not define you. It is a training ground. Who you are and what you add to the class of 2024 has not yet been decided!" The next four years will go by quickly enough, and we can't wait to see what the Class of 2024 will contribute and become! We are so very proud of them. This was their season, and as always, it was a great time to be a Navigator!

Fourth Grade Assembly

Article by Susanne D. Swain '78, *Head of Lower School*



Congratulations to HRA's fourth grade students who completed their Lower School experience in May and who will now move on to Middle School. Unfortunately, these students were not able to celebrate their advancement with the usual "Gateway" program in HRA's Lassen Auditorium due to this year's Covid-19 school closure. The fourth graders did enjoy a special video featuring photos of each student during their elementary years. Viewing the video was a reminder of the significant physical growth of these students during Lower School. Of course, their LS teachers can testify to the fourth graders' growth academically and emotionally as well. The LS is extremely proud of the Class of 2028. As their fourth grade teachers noted, "these students have proven their resiliency, adaptability, and independence through these unprecedented times. They were quick to bolster their friends when needed and eager to take on challenges turning difficult circumstances into opportunities. The Class of 2028 is one to watch as they continue to contribute to the HRA community and become leaders of the student body." Bravo! Fourth Graders! We will miss you in Lower School.

Adrian Ari Anatolian
Zachary Aaron Bailey
Andrew George Bene
Paul Matthew Bene
Frederick William Wakefield Buxton
Oumie Darlene Amy Ceesay
Anastasia Christine Chappell
Maya Amina Elsaadat
Darcy Alexandra Fang
Brendan Sichen Feng
Clara Elizabeth Godbout
William Rudolph Heinatz
Jack Ignatios Hiotellis
Logan Richstien Jones
Lydia May Jones
Misha Lamichhane
Jillian Flannery Lassiter
Trevor Stephen Leary
McKinley Kathleen Maciejewski
Tristan Ingi McKee

Meera Tejas Patel
Caleb James Patterson
Maclaren Shea Peto
Nicole Marie Rooney
Benjamin Anthony Rosati
Eleni Aphroditi Sarantakos
Gabriel Paul Seutter
Robert Alan Simons
Nissim Isidore Sokol
Selma Marie Stetson
Wirt Weston Stilley III
John Wang Sunstone
Adeline Grey Sureja
Vaughn Robert Treiber
Sebastian Ashwyn Wright

honor roll by GRADE

Grade 12 Highest Honors

(3.75 average with all A's)
Alexis Audeh
Reilly David
Elizabeth Hickman
John Howard, III
Lindsay Kovalcik
Xingyu Lu
James Reid
Megan Walters

Honors

(3.5 average with no grade below a B)
Ellelyshia Ardo
Elizabeth Amott
Megan Cockrell
Zifei Dong
Olivia Ferrare
William Flannery
Kendal Johnson
Rory King
Alexander Lemmink
Aran Massengill
Hyeonwoo Park
William Revere
Blake Rouzie
Molly Rouzie
Owen Stanton
Grace Vaughan
Edward Wilson, Jr.

Faculty List

(3.0 average with no grade below a B-)
Jada Buckhanon
Avery Cronin
Jacob Hensley
Catherine Le
Roland Pana

Grade 11 Highest Honors

(3.75 average with all A's)
Alexa Barlow
Joseph Baust, III
Vivian Crooks
Alexandra Gendreau
Elizabeth Hager
Graham Hooker
Gailiang Huang
Joshua Kostiner
Sohee Lim
Cooper Muench
Carter Patten
Sarah Sasinowska
Noelle Spencer
Ava Tankersley

Honors

(3.5 average with no grade below a B)
Hannah Collins
Addison-Parker Davis

Amal Edu
Sydney Frank
Ethan Hopson
Lauren Kitay
Sara Lindsay
Zehui Luo
Tyler Matalovich
Caitlin Mauk
Lucy Miller
Kaitlyn Morina
Neil O'Connor
Peter Philipson
Ethan Post
Stephen Rous
Sophia Snyder
Adrienne Sugden
Elizabeth Vander
Vennet
Rachel Walker
Cora Walsh
Kylee Wood

Faculty List

(3.0 average with no grade below a B-)
Zhixin Deng
Daxton DiMuzio
Zexi Wu
Shuo Zhang

Grade 10 Highest Honors

(3.75 average with all A's)
Cameron Barlow
Victoria Bliley
Erica Feng
Shiyu Guo
Elise Hooker
James Kokolis
Claire Kutner
Ryan McCauley
Laura Renforth
Virginia Silberhorn
Patrick Trost

Honors

(3.5 average with no grade below a B)
Jay Barreto
Olivia Bucci
Panyu Chen
Ayesha Das
Emma Doherty
Zoe Epstein
William Fan
Erin Ferrare
Nicholas Frankenhoff
Nicholas Goldberg
Erin Holloway
Nancy Hopkins
William Hutchens
Raiva Khandpur
Faith Murray
Alexandra Reed
Ryan Reid
Jacob Ricca
Ava Smith

Matteo Stossi
Qiyang Sun
Olivia Wasson
William Wilson
Siqi Zhu

Faculty List

(3.0 average with no grade below a B-)
Samia Jafri
William Kagie
Dongyoung Kim
Jacqueline Matalovich
Bryce Rouzie
Misha Sasinowski
Siena Short
Gwyneth Strange
Minh Vuong

Grade 9 Highest Honors

(3.75 average with all A's)
James Baust
Catherine Chang
Chelsea Erwin
Ashley Foretich
Rudrani Ghoshal
Mary Goddin
Aanya Khayat
Aarman Khayat
Subin Moon
Jackson Underwood
Daniel Valdez
Natalie Welcher
Ornina Yousef

Honors

(3.5 average with no grade below a B)
Addison Amott
Alexander Duncan
Lainey Epstein
Carson Frank
Tyler Richardson
Sara Tiller

Grade 8 Highest Honors

(3.0 average with no grade below a B-)
Hanna Borgstrom
Cassady Dornan
Ashton Fulcher
Coen Glavas
Lanie Hall
Parks Smith
Samuel Strawn

Faculty List

(3.0 average with no grade below a B-)
Hanna Borgstrom
Cassady Dornan
Ashton Fulcher
Coen Glavas
Lanie Hall
Parks Smith
Samuel Strawn

Allison Trudeau
Fiona Walsh
Eric Wei

Honors

Ozan Anatolian
Craig Buchan, Jr
Ryan Cherry
Gibson Collette
Christian Culp
Harley Gardner
Riley Gregory
Anke Groen
Austin Hettche
Keira Holloway
Isaac Lamprecht
Joseph Rosati
Tamara Sasso
Nathan Seeley
Tyler Seeley
Jack Silberhorn
Daylon Smith
Grayson Valashinas

Grade 7 Highest Honors

Paul Bennett-Northam
Zachary Caulford
Josephine Chang
Nelson David
Ashlyn Dik
Elly Flannery
Ryan Foretich
Cender Gansukh
Charlotte Goddin
Lily Haas
Gracie Hall
Ishan Hartke
Eleanor Hensley
George Kokolis
Parker Moore
Parker Muench
Gokul Patel
Madeline Sablan
Danielle Stowell
Lyra Swaddle

Honors

Alora Chappell
Addison Detwiler
Carlie Erwin
Konstantin Garofalis
Noah Gearey
Syniya Harris
Zane Hassan
James Howard
Sara Kokolis
Jackson Obie
Catelynn Powell
Carl Stauffer
Annabelle Steider
Alexander Szurkus
Anna Wasson
Ian White
Robert Winfield, Jr.

Grade 6 Highest Honors

Gage Beach
Ares Marvell-Nguyen
Zachary Patten
Jason Starodub

Alexandra Trudeau
Roman Vander Kooi

Honors

Silas Bucci
James Dornan
Emma Duncan
Dylan Evans
Colten Fulcher
Sophia Gately
Cameron Hall
Lauren Harris
Tyler Howerton
Adyson Kaufman
Nolan Krisik
Heather Lowekamp
Grace O'Neal
Shayne Patel
Lyla Sayre
Lana Reed
Gabriel Sureja
Sophia Vassilakos
Ryan White
Emerson Wood
Simon Yi

Grade 5 Highest Honors

Shah Arezo
Jackson Brown
Logan Cone
Aiden Cummins
Indira Hartke
Graham Hutchens
Merritt Jones
Sophia Kannarkat
Nolan Kowalczyk
Allison Niles
Harper Obie
Sarah Park
Ella Richardson
Ava Rose
Luke Sablan
Kai Sims
Lalitha Visaharan
Luxmi Visaharan
Louise Wang

Honors

Daphne Ambrosino
Mahi Bhuta
Isla Childress
Leo Duttle
Sabrina Edu
Lincoln Edwards
Micah Fulcher
John Hankins
William Harrah
Sara Hassan
Kathleen Hettche
Natalia Kean
Makayla Le
Charles Moore
Caroline Short
Aniyah Solomon
Chase Sutton
Aaron Winfield
Paige Woods

Ten seniors Inducted into the Hampton Roads Academy Cum Laude Society

The Cum Laude Society honors superior academic achievement at select, mostly independent, schools; HRA is one of only 16 schools in Virginia to have been awarded a Cum Laude charter. Each chapter may elect not more than 20% of the graduating class who have demonstrated academic excellence in the college curriculum, choosing up to 10% at the end of Junior Year and the remainder in spring of the Senior Year. As the Society Motto stresses excellence, justice, and honor in the broadest sense, only students who have demonstrated good character, honor, and integrity in all aspects of their school life are elected to membership.



Megan Cockrell



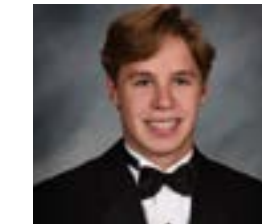
Jack Howard



Alexis Audeh



Lucas Lu



Blake Rouzie



Reilly David



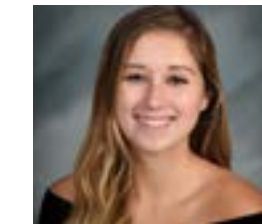
Molly Rouzie



Lindsay Kovalcik



James Reid



Megan Walters

2020 Inductees		
Selection based on GPA through Junior Year: Megan Cockrell Reilly David Jack Howard Molly Rouzie		Selection based on GPA through 1st Semester Senior Year: Alexis Audeh Lindsay Kovalcik Lucas Lu James Reid Blake Rouzie Megan Walters

Memorial Awards

The Hampton Roads Academy Memorial Awards are given annually in memory of those who were very special to the HRA community. Students receive scholarships, monetary awards for special projects or engraved gifts. This year we announced the award winners on social media since students were not present on campus due to Covid-19.

Karen Schappert '85 Memorial Award: Cassady Mills Dornan '23

Tony Hux '76 Memorial Award: Graham Lyle Hooker '21

Nancy Richwine Memorial Scholarship: Alexa Rose Barlow '21

Hal Tayloe Enrichment Award: Neil O'Connor '21, Sarah Sasinowska '21, Erin Ferrare '22, Sabrina Post '24, Luke James '25 and Sarah Park '27

John C. "Kit" Scull '64 Memorial Award: Ava Tankersley '21

Article by Benjamin Rous, *Head of Upper School and Director of College Counseling*

The Class of 2020 was cruising towards the finish line early last spring when everything suddenly stopped.

Sports seasons were lost, as were traditional senior rituals like prom, Senior Transition Day, and Senior Release Day. Yet, as was their custom, the Class of 2020 handled these challenges with a pragmatism and grace that was admirable!

Graduation itself, held much later than usual and looking quite different, took on a greater significance. There was pride, yes—pride felt by everyone: the graduates themselves, their beaming (behind masks!) families, and the faculty and staff. But there was also a sense of gratitude and hope. We were all grateful to be together again, celebrating a group of students who had to shoulder the novel burden of a truncated senior year. And we were all hopeful that the glimpse of “normalcy” that the ceremony gave us might be more commonly experienced soon. Certainly, we know that this group is well-equipped to handle the vagaries of college and life with resilience and style!

And speaking of college, the 47 members of the Class of 2020 will attend 31 different colleges and universities in 16 states. They earned over \$2 million in merit scholarships. Six of them will play NCAA varsity athletics, four of them were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, and one of them was a Jefferson Scholar.

They are a talented group—caring, curious, and bright.

And, forged in a crucible of adversity, made stronger.

We couldn't be prouder of them!

Colleges offering admission to the Class of 2020:

Appalachian State University
Auburn University
Boston College
Boston University
Brown University
Case Western Reserve University
Chatham University
Christopher Newport University
Clarks Summit University
Clemson University
Colby College
Colgate University
College of Charleston
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
East Carolina University
Emory & Henry College
Emory University
Fordham University
George Mason University
Georgetown University

Georgia Institute of Technology
Hampden-Sydney College
James Madison University
Keio University Mita (Pearl Program)
Longwood University
Marshall University
Maryland Institute College of Art
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Mercer University
Miami University, Oxford
Michigan State University
Middlebury College
North Carolina Central University
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Old Dominion University
Penn State
Purdue University
Queens University of Charlotte
Radford University
Roanoke College
Rutgers University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Syracuse University
The University of Alabama
University of North Carolina at Charlotte
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
The University of Tennessee-Knoxville
Tulane University
University at Buffalo
University of California, San Diego
University of California-Davis
University of California-Irvine
University of California-Santa Barbara
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Louisville
University of Lynchburg
University of Mary Washington
University of Maryland-College Park
University of Massachusetts-Amherst
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of Pittsburgh
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
University of San Francisco
University of South Carolina
University of Virginia
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Military Institute
Virginia Tech
Washington and Lee University
Western Colorado University
William and Mary

Learning Beyond the Classroom: The HRA Difference

Article by Benjamin Rous, *Head of Upper School and Director of College Counseling*

The Class of 2020 was notable for many things, not the least of which was that they were the first class to graduate members of Hampton Roads Academy's Real-World Exploration and Academic Choice (REACH) initiative cohort.

The REACH initiative is designed to give participants both in-and-out-of-class experiences in one of six specific fields of interest: Applied Science and Technology, Global Studies, Health Sciences, Environmental Studies and Outdoor Leadership, the Visual Arts and Humanities, and the Performing Arts and Humanities.

We believe that the academic experience should be tied to relevant, real-world experiences whenever possible. The twenty-first century economy requires the ability to think creatively, to collaborate, and to communicate effectively; all skills that begin in the classroom but that are enhanced and made more relevant by exploration outside the school's walls. These experiences might take the form of summer internships, mentorships, part-time jobs, leadership opportunities, or more.

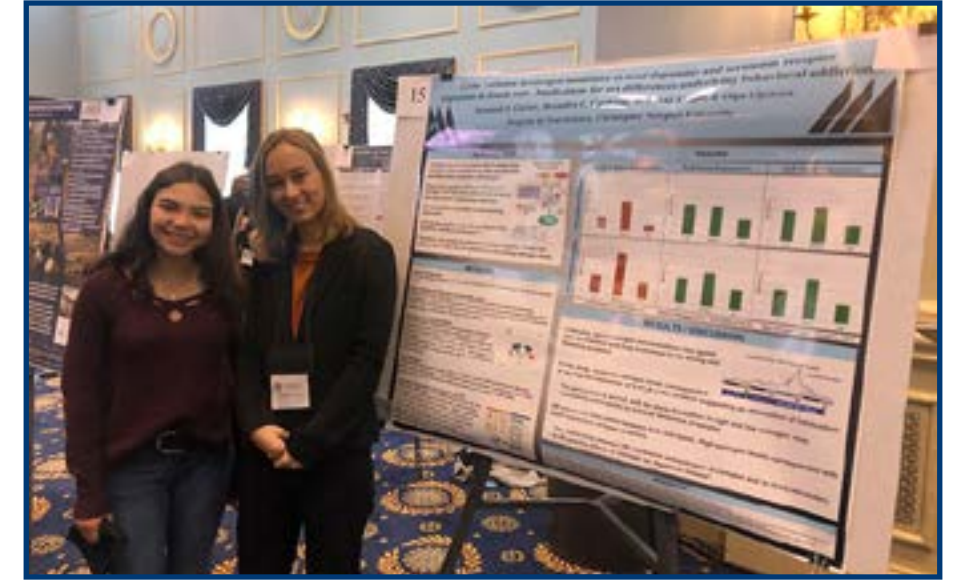
Working in a professional setting provides high school students invaluable opportunities to see the relevance and real-world applications of their classroom experiences, to develop and clarify a passion, and to practice workplace culture and etiquette. Hampton Roads Academy's REACH Initiative connects students to these kinds of professional experiences as a way of facilitating for our students a richer, more textured understanding of, and appreciation for, the relationship between academic success and professional satisfaction and achievement.

In their own words, here are the REACH experiences of Class of 2020 members Molly Rouzie and Blake Rouzie:

Molly writes,

I graduated with a visual arts and humanities focus as a part of the REACH initiative. The program gave a purpose to my preexisting abundance of art and humanities-focused courses from my freshman, sophomore, and junior years. Graduating with a REACH diploma helped to define my passion, devotion, and consistency of effort towards the visual arts.

The REACH initiative stretched far beyond the classroom into my senior project, clubs I participated in, and my 'summer experience' before my senior year. I was inducted into NAHS during my sophomore year, was elected Vice President my Junior Year, and continued to participate in the Juried Show, community service projects, and other sponsored activities until I graduated. For one month during the summer before my senior year, I attended the Virginia Residential Governor's School for the Visual Arts. I grew as an artist by diversifying my perspective through the people I met, new viewpoints and comments from visiting professors, and a more in-depth study of art history. For my senior project, I centered my



focus on art and improving my community. I painted murals in two of the middle school girls' bathrooms aiming to boost self-esteem. In addition, I tapped into the humanities side of my REACH focus to research confidence and self-esteem in middle school girls and present my findings to the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls.

I am pleased with the direction and focus of my studies over my high school years as a result of the REACH Initiative. I am able to apply my knowledge and talents to inspire others. Through focusing on an area of study that I am passionate about, I feel more prepared for what lies ahead.

Blake writes,

For my REACH experience I chose the Global Studies Focus. The area places an emphasis on understanding the interconnectedness of the world and how societies function through academic areas like languages and social studies. In order to complete these requirements, I took Latin all four years of high school, as well as enrolling in classes such as economics, international relations, AP Comparative Government, and AP Literature. A major part of my experience involved the study of the government and politics of societies. To this end I completed a self-designed independent study in political philosophy my junior year and participated in Model UN beginning sophomore year. As for summer experiences I took part in Virginia Boys State, interned in federal district court, and worked on a Christopher Newport University Summer Scholars project involving the study of leadership through the works of Plato. Finally, my senior project involved the study of political rhetoric across different societies and in today's political climate. Overall the program allowed me to focus my interests and apply them to multiple meaningful experiences.

The REACH initiative currently has twenty-five students participating, and we look forward to their continued determination to think, explore, and discover!

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Message from HRA Head of School, Peter W. Mertz:

“HRA values diversity and the unique contributions each student brings to our community. We strive for every child to feel safe and have a sense of belonging. Through the Multicultural Family, we aspire to promote respectful and supportive relationships and substantiate the attributes of global awareness.”

“The Multicultural Family promotes ethnic and multicultural awareness and diversity to accept and appreciate more diverse cultures, thus enabling the development of social relationships and interactions designed to encourage civic participation and community engagement.”

Our mission statement at Hampton Roads Academy reads that we are an inclusive community of service and compassion, that prepares students to excel intellectually, artistically, physically, and morally in higher education and in life.

This past spring, following the horrific deaths of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery and Breonna Taylor, people across the world demanded justice.

Alumni and students also spoke up in various ways to address situations where they felt discriminated against because of their race, gender, religion, and/or sexual orientation. These shared stories and experiences reflect that we must continuously work to execute the goals of our mission statement. It is imperative that we look to our past so we can learn from it and improve. It is our goal to do better and to be better while advocating for an equitable future for all. We want to strengthen the models of informed civic engagement, enhance inclusivity that values and includes everyone and inspire students and adults alike to recognize and speak out against injustice.

Mission Statement of the Multicultural Family:

Our mission is to demonstrate through words, actions and programs, our inclusive and compassionate environment while promoting awareness, acceptance and diversity for the HRA community.

Started by students and faculty to have a voice in the changes made in our community, the HRA Multicultural Family includes all cultures, genders, religions and sexual orientations and all are encouraged to be seen, heard and accepted within the HRA family. This is not a “club”. The word “club” is usually indicative of a closed off group environment, excluding others. The Multicultural “Family” is the farthest idea from exclusion. In fact, the inclusion of every person in the HRA community’s experiences, points of view and understanding is vital in creating a truly diverse, safe and all-inclusive community where we can Think. Explore. and Discover.

Goals of the Multicultural Family:

- Work towards an inclusive community where everyone feels accepted, protected, and safe but not necessarily comfortable.
- Foster the development of young leaders who will have the confidence to work towards excelling intellectually, artistically, physically, and morally in higher education and in life.
- A commitment to hiring diversity throughout all positions of Faculty and Staff.
- Celebrating and growing our diverse student body.
- Building and teaching a multicultural curriculum that speaks to multiple experiences.

If you have any questions, thoughts, suggestions, or would like more information, please reach out to the HRA Multicultural Family at multiculturalfamily@hra.org. To learn more about the Multicultural Family or who serve as Faculty/Staff Sponsors, please visit the website at www.hra.org.

Advancement News

It’s a great time to be a Navigator!

Nine months and a whole world ago, we were putting the finishing touches to plans for a magnificent celebration of Hampton Roads Academy’s 60th Anniversary when Governor Ralph Northam announced the restriction of all gatherings to 100 people or fewer in response to the rising number of cases of Covid-19 in the Commonwealth. Fresh off the successful opening and dedication of the new Lower School Wing, Dining Hall and Hydroponics Lab, we were eagerly anticipating a splendid bash in honor of our first 60 years of growth and continual improvement in our mission to prepare students to excel intellectually, artistically and morally in higher education and life. In spite of all the hard work of our dedicated band of volunteers on the 60th Anniversary Committee, we reluctantly had to cancel this event, and subsequently, a whole host of other events, assemblies and ceremonies, re-imagining them wherever we could as virtual or otherwise modified occasions. In these pages we commemorate equally the starkly different time before Covid-19 and the time during Covid-19, while celebrating the constancy of the HRA spirit during both times in our students, families and friends as they rose to the challenges of the day.

That HRA spirit is reflected in the progress our community of donors and loyal supporters has made in advancing our mission against all odds and building a stronger community as a result. As though to prove a point and show defiance in the face of adversity, you rallied to deliver a robust annual fund that surpassed all our most optimistic expectations. This assured that we would be able to cover the greatly increased costs of delivering at first, a strong distance learning program and now, a safe and complete on-campus experience for our student Navigators. The generosity of our entire community of alumni, parents, grandparents, Trustees, faculty and staff makes this all possible.

In addition, our Endowment Fund has been strengthened this year by two events - first, a very generous unrestricted gift from a loyal donor and secondly, the adoption by the Board of Trustees of a new component fund, the Mary P. Blalock Philanthropy Fund. The accumulation of unrestricted gifts to the Endowment Fund provides financial stability, allowing the school’s administration to respond to future challenges, known and unknown alike. Covid-19 has given us a foretaste of how critically important it is to have a strong endowment. The new Mary P. Blalock Philanthropy Fund is forward-looking also, intended to develop a new generation of philanthropists among our students. This exciting and unique fund has been established in memory of HRA’s beloved Mary Blalock, who worked tirelessly for over 15 years to advance the mission of the school, most recently as Director of Advancement.

In the same spirit of looking to the future, the newly formed Planned Giving Committee is dedicated to helping donors establish a legacy at HRA by providing for the school in their estate plans. Members of the committee are eager to share their own experiences and demonstrate how, alongside providing for your surviving family, your legacy gift can help secure HRA’s future.

While we continue to meet the challenges of today, the future looks bright for Hampton Roads Academy and it is due to your generosity and the support of the whole community. Thank you for all you do!

Mary P. Blalock Fund

With Mary Blalock’s passing in April 2019, Hampton Roads Academy lost a beloved and special friend. Mary worked at HRA for 15 years, most recently as Director of Advancement, and her dedication to the school and its students was extraordinary and an inspiration to all of us.

In memory of Mary, and with the blessing of her husband Ward and her daughters Nora and Marnie, HRA has established a permanently endowed fund. This fund is unique, both in the way it operates and in the way it recognizes Mary’s dual passions for HRA and for the community at large. The Mary P. Blalock Philanthropy Fund will use investment proceeds to bestow grants, not just for HRA, but for other area nonprofits as well. A student advisory committee will make funding recommendations.

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Opening of the New Lower School Wing and Dining Hall

In a ribbon cutting ceremony on a crisp morning in early January, Hampton Roads Academy celebrated the conclusion of the largest campaign in the school's history and the official opening of the Mary and Larry Pope Dining Hall, Rona and Erwin Drucker Lower School and the Martha H. Patten Hydroponics Lab.

Through the generous support of more than 350 donors, including 100 percent of HRA's faculty and staff and 100 percent of HRA's Board of Trustees, the "Navigating Our Course" campaign funded the 400-seat full-service dining hall, new Lower School wing with 12 spacious classrooms, an Innovation Lab/Makerspace and a unique 1,000 square foot

to open the doors to the new building while students, faculty, staff, donors and invited guests celebrated. "HRA is committed to a process of continual improvement for our students, their families and the broader Hampton Roads community," said Head of School Peter W. Mertz. "The addition of the Lower School wing, dining hall and hydroponics lab represents a milestone on this journey in pursuit of excellence."

Hampton Roads Academy's new state-of-the-art Mary and Larry Pope Dining Hall, with a full-service professional kitchen, provides every student with a daily selection of healthy meals. It is conceived as a space in which the HRA community can come together to break bread, develop social skills and build



century learning opportunities. A large, flexible Innovation Lab/Makerspace is at the center of the Lower School and accessible to all HRA students.

A unique feature that connects the dining hall and Lower School wing is the 1,000-square-foot Martha H. Patten Hydroponics Lab. The laboratory includes vertical growing towers of leafy greens for HRA's dining hall with the potential to grow other fruits and vegetables. Beyond providing produce for the dining hall, this space has become the perfect backdrop for innovative academic lessons and supports HRA's concentration in community service as extra produce. In its first gift to the community, HRA donated nearly 60 heads of lettuce and nearly 40 pounds of perishable items to the Peninsula Foodbank.

Barely three months later, having settled into the smooth routine of creating and delivering hundreds of daily lunches into the hands of eager and happy students, COVID-19 arrived and large indoor gatherings

were prohibited. The dining hall ceased to be the joyous gathering space it had become. Nevertheless, there has been an unforeseen silver lining. With the addition of twelve new classrooms and the cavernous space of the dining hall, HRA has had the good fortune to have ample room in which to spread out and accommodate physical distancing, allowing a full complement of current and new students to start school this year safely. Meanwhile, in a monumental and swift undertaking, Chef Uwe and his staff re-envisioned the menus, sourced individual packaging for the food, and scheduled staggered delivery of lunches so that HRA could continue to provide healthy meals for the students. We are very happy to have our lunches still - but are looking forward exceedingly to the day when we can come together again and enjoy them in the great new hall.



hydroponics lab. Hampton Roads Academy worked with W. M. Jordan Company, James River Architects and Bayfront Development on this project. HRA Head of School Peter W. Mertz, Campaign Chair Wendy Drucker '76 and Board of Trustees Chair Keith Vander Venet '83 led the ceremony and student leaders cut the ribbon

relationships. Fostering a sense of community and closeness is a hallmark of HRA and this new space reflects the school's commitment to healthy bodies and healthy minds.

The new Rona and Erwin Drucker Lower School wing features 12 large, bright classrooms with enhanced 21st-

Chef Uwe Joins Hampton Roads Academy

Meet HRA's new Executive Chef Uwe Schulszas! Chef comes to HRA after serving more than 18 years as a Chef at Kingsmill Resort in Williamsburg. He has extensive training and more than 40 years of experience beginning in his native country of Germany.

Chef's culinary career has taken him to many locations

around the world including Austria, Luxembourg, France, England and Switzerland. After serving as the Executive Pastry Chef at Castle Harbor Resort in Bermuda, Chef held head chef and front of house positions at major hotels in San Antonio, Denver and Atlanta before moving to Williamsburg. We are beyond fortunate to welcome him to the HRA community.

Chef Uwe provides every student and faculty an individually packaged meal this year to ensure we are maintaining a safe environment during COVID-19. We are very thankful for Chef's dedication to providing healthy and safe meals for the HRA community!



Donor Spotlight:

Charles R. Spencer, Jr.

Charlie's relationship with Hampton Roads Academy is long and deep and dates back to when he was asked to join the Board of Trustees by Joe Carpenter and Russell Buxton. That was in 1978, when his son Tripp ('80) was a student and before his son Ned ('85) was enrolled in HRA. Charlie would go on to serve 11 years on the Board, two of those years as Chair, during which term he approved the motion to limit Board terms, thereby getting himself off the Board. Tripp and Ned would graduate - and would eventually send all four of their children to HRA, Charlie ('10), Wave ('14), Scott ('19) and Noelle ('21). HRA's Charles R. Spencer, Jr. Gymnasium is named after Charlie and the Anne Doug Spencer Commons after his late wife. A Foreign Language room is named in honor of Tripp and Ned. Charlie is a member of HRA's Heritage Society, having made provisions for HRA in his estate plans.

Today, Charlie is a Senior Vice President, Financial Advisor, Senior Portfolio Manager with Morgan Stanley in Newport News, VA and the senior member of The Spencer Group, working side by side with his sons. He is an active member of the community having served as past president of the Newport News Rotary Club, and on the Boards of the Newport News Family YMCA and the Peninsula Metropolitan YMCA. He is also past chairman of the investment committee for the Newport News Employees Retirement board as

well as past chairman of the board itself. He has served on the endowment committees of Hampton Roads Academy, the YMCA, The Virginia Living Museum, and Christopher Newport University. He is also a member and elder of Hidenwood Presbyterian Church.

Charlie caught up with us recently, shortly after returning from a long-standing annual skiing trip with four friends in Colorado. This year's trip turned eventful when he took a bad spill and cracked his collar bone. At age 83, Charlie skis old school, on long skis (199 cm), going for speed. Typically, he doesn't do bumps, but it was a bump that took him out this time. He also contracted Covid-19. One of his ski buddies tested positive soon after their trip and Charlie had a cough and a fever on his return. He subsequently tested positive for the antibodies.

Why do you Support HRA?

I believe that education is the single most important gift you can give a person. Many of the world's problems can be solved through education, which gives us the ability to reason with one another. My mother was an educator. In fact, she home schooled me for the first half of First Grade until I was old enough to go to public school - I missed the cut-off date by five days. I was fortunate that my parents let me go to private school when I reached high school. Growing up in Lynchburg,

I was a day student at Virginia Episcopal School and went on from there to Washington and Lee University for three years and then to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute for two years. I actually graduated from each school on the same day in 1959. Because I was well prepared for college at VES, I did not find the college curriculum particularly difficult, helping establish my belief in the power of independent school education. My sons followed a similar path, both graduating from W&L, Tripp going on to earn an MBA at William and Mary, and Ned an MA in Architecture from Virginia Tech.

You recently made a very generous gift to HRA's unrestricted Endowment Fund. What motivated you to make that gift? I have had experience working on Endowment Boards and know how important it is to raise money for them, to provide a legacy for the future. Raising money for bricks and mortar is easier, where donors have something they can see in return for their gift. I may never know how my gift to the Endowment Fund is used, but I wanted to do something to help secure the future of the school for generations of HRA students to come.

What do you love about what you do?

In a word, relationships. In the brokerage business, it is very satisfying working with the same people year after year. Developing trust is rewarding and something that takes time to build and yet can be destroyed in a minute. My old boss started every meeting with a saying: "Don't get any chalk on your shoes." Like an athlete on the playing field, stay well within the field of play and don't even get close to breaking a rule.

Working in the brokerage business wasn't ever on my radar. I was tricked into it by a friend, with whom I shared a rooming house in Richmond. At the time, I was working as an engineer in the Research and Development Department at Reynolds Metals. At his suggestion that I join this nascent brokerage firm in Newport News, I remember saying "Absolutely not - I'm not going to fritter away my education." My friend convinced me to visit him in Suffolk and ambushed me with a "spontaneous" meeting with Chip Mason, President of Mason and Co. in Newport News. I could see immediately that Chip had qualities I really respected and the opportunity to join a firm in its infancy had a certain appeal. Having sought my father's blessing - he had after all provided for my education - I joined Mason and Co. on April 15, 1963 - tax day - as its seventh employee. My broker number was 007 making me 007 before James Bond was 007.

Giving up my secure engineering position at Reynolds to join a little-known brokerage company turned out to be a high risk/high reward situation. I got in on the

ground floor, and through a series of mergers over the decades, Mason & Co. became Morgan Stanley by way of Legg Mason, Citigroup, Smith Barney, and Morgan Stanley Smith Barney.

What has been your Greatest Surprise in Life?

My greatest surprise is that my sons would want to work with me. I never suggested that they join me. I think they could see how much I enjoyed the business and that I was proof that you could make a living from something you love doing. It is also my greatest pleasure that we are able to work so well together as a team.

I give my late wife Anne all the credit for doing such a great job bringing up my children. Though I do take some small amount of credit for not messing it up. We met when she was fourteen and I was fifteen, and we married in 1960. Anne was the greatest human being, with the uncanny ability to concentrate her whole attention on you. She was the most caring person I have ever known and I am most fortunate that she cared about me.

"Donor Spotlight" is a new feature in which we tell the stories, (in no particular order), of some of HRA's dedicated donors.

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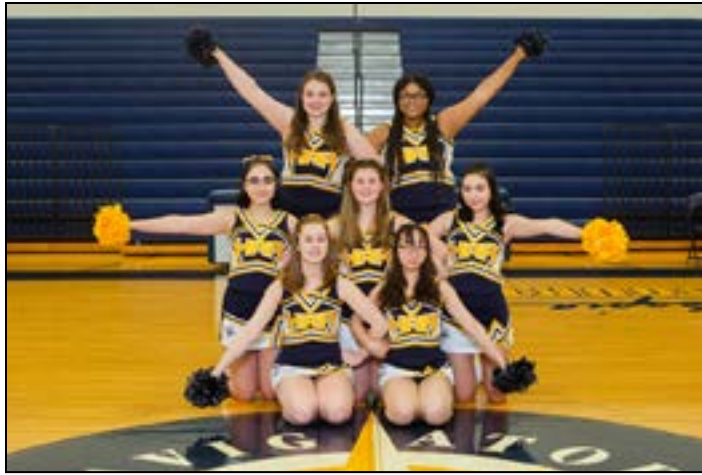
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2019-2020 ATHLETICS



Varsity Cheerleading



Varsity Cross Country



Varsity Girls Tennis



Varsity Volleyball



Varsity Field Hockey



Varsity Football



Varsity Boys Basketball



Varsity Girls Basketball



Varsity Sailing



Varsity Boys Soccer



Varsity Boys Swimming



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Varsity Baseball



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Varsity Boys Lacrosse



Varsity Girls Soccer



Varsity Boys Tennis



Varsity Boys Track



Varsity Girls Track

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All State Teams**

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Tyler Johnson

BOYS SWIMMING
Avery Cronin
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Ellie Goldberg
Ashley Foretich

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SAILING
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Coach's Award Owen Stanton

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Coach's Award Cassidy Dornan
Most Valuable Player Grace Vaughan

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Coach's Award Kyle Wood
Most Valuable Ellie Goldberg

VOLLEYBALL
Most Valuable Player Jada Buckhanon
Most Valuable Player Lucy Miller
Most Valuable Player Ava Tankersley

FIELD HOCKEY
Most Outstanding Defense Jane Phillips
Most Outstanding Offense Farrell Keel
Most Valuable Campbell Hickman

CHEERLEADING FALL
Coach's Award Vivian Crooks

FOOTBALL
Coach's Award Adil Edu
Coach's Award Will Flannery
Coach's Award Angelina Santillo
Coach's Award Yassir Wiggins

BOYS BASKETBALL
Most Improved Ed Wilson
Coach's Award James Reid
Most Valuable Offense Simon Boyer

SAILING
Most Improved Kyle Rutherford
Coach's Award Justus Kaminski
Most Valuable Niccolo' Nordera

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Rookie of the Year Alonni Wells
Coach's Award Barrett Amott
Outstanding Performer Tyler Johnson

BOYS SOCCER
Most Improved Josh Kostiner
Coach's Award William Revere
Most Valuable Matthew Hatcher

BOYS SWIMMING
Coach's Award Bryce Rouzie
Most Valuable Avery Cronin
Most Valuable Blake Rouzie

GIRLS SWIMMING
Coach's Award Allie Reed
Coach's Award Sophia Snyder
Most Valuable Molly Rouzie

by Rachel M. Hirsch '13, *Director of Alumni Relations*

Since the last Navigator Magazine, many important subject matters have entered the forefront of people's minds across the globe. Some of the topics have opened our eyes and have changed the way we live our lives. We're in tense times that leave so many trying their best to understand what their next best step is in making situations better. In doing that, a few HRA alumni have made it their mission to create strong communities of positivity and goodwill around them to make a difference. This year, we highlight alumni, along with their organizations, that are making a positive impact throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and with the awareness of Black Lives Matter.

Asa Jackson '07

Society is hurting, especially African Americans in many communities. Hampton Roads, Virginia is no exception. Even though racism has been around forever, throughout much of 2020, we have seen more injustices brought to light than we can count. It is tough to creatively achieve community connections without first finding the quiet space, set apart from one's hectic reality, in which to examine that reality and more. Luckily, an HRA alum has been building up just the backdrop for arts to reside and take this form in the 757.

Asa Jackson '07 has been inspiring countless people through his numerous artistic endeavours and community-centered projects for many years. He is a working artist as well as the President and Co-founder of The Contemporary Arts Network (CAN), which, after relocating to a new Newport News location, had its Grand Opening in the summer of 2020. "The arts network's mission is to empower artists, patrons and the community at large through the arts," Jackson says. "We aim to advance arts education and its role in innovation through integrated education programs, collection building, publications and exhibitions."



Those that make up the CAN are multicultural, bring unique backgrounds and experiences with them, and embrace all cultures collectively. In response to the recent publicized black-targeted killings and nearly 400 years after the emancipation of those enslaved in America, the majority of the U.S. has finally formally recognized "Juneteenth" as a holiday. In an act of support for their African American brothers and sisters and to honor this milestone, the CAN invited the community to an event of artistic expression and unity. "Juneteenth: A Freedom Day Celebration" was part of their soft opening of the space on June 19, 2020.

The day consisted of outdoor music, mural tours, DJ sets, spoken word performances, and vendors. In addition to enjoying these activities, visitors could visit and support the "Buy Black" Pop-Up shop, consisting of black owned independent clothing brands. Attendees were encouraged to be part of an interactive art exhibition where they'd paint a word, phrase, or image on the walls of the gallery as an expressive release of how they're feeling. Guests were also invited to join in a meditation walk from the CAN Headquarters to Huntington Beach where the day concluded with a performance art piece. With the Covid-19 guidelines also set in place, the event proved to be full of growth, celebration, creation and peace.

True to its mission statement, the CAN continues to provide a "nexus of interconnectivity and development for a strong, enduring, harmonious arts community within the global art market," and it's not just one HRA alum who is committed to this tremendous network. Living and working between Newport News and Richmond, VA, artist/curator **Mahari Chabwera '13** is a 2020-21 CAN Foundation First Patron Artist in Residence. She received her B.F.A. in Painting and Printmaking from VCU in 2017, and shortly after began practicing creative sustainability, culture cultivation, curation, and communion rooted in black cosmic well-being. She and Asa have worked together multiple times and Mahari has painted

at least one of the giant murals showcased on the building. Asa's wife, **Kira Young Jackson '04** is the CAN's Business Operations Director and Technical Writer. She has also supported and collaborated with him in other educational artistic projects. Kira's sister **Natasha "Tasha" Young Rose '98** is the Event Planner/Coordinator with the CAN.

Asa says "I aim to help Hampton Roads move in the direction of having a stronger arts economy, where artists can live and thrive." Even in times of racially motivated attacks and a global pandemic, Asa Jackson and The Contemporary Arts Network prove that there are still ways to create positive actions and profound thoughts through what they're most passionate about: Art.

For more information about The Contemporary Arts Network, visit <https://www.thecontemporaryartsnetwork.com/>.

Courtney Elliott Gardner '85 and Brooke Garrett Tiller '83

April 2020 was the first full month of Virginia's stay-at-home Executive order because of the COVID-19 global pandemic. Ever since the early spread of the virus, not only were individuals' lives threatened by this invisible illness, but many livelihoods and industries were, and continue to be in danger as well. The nonprofit industry has taken a unique hit since early 2020. One organization, whose mission was already to help fund positive projects in the Fall each year, knew they needed to lend a hand immediately to those organizations that were struggling. Philanthropic giving has always been at their core.

In 2016, **Courtney Elliott Gardner '85 and Brooke Garrett Tiller '83** gathered a group of women in Hampton Roads with the idea of giving life to effective philanthropy in the community. The concept was simple. Recruit 100 women to donate



\$1,000 each and collectively fund at least \$100,000 in grants to charitable initiatives which demonstrate the potential for real community impact and sustainability. The response was favorable and the group grew quickly. Many other members of the HRA Community joined in and even quickly took voluntary leadership roles within the organization. HRA is honored to host their annual "Big Give", the special event when the nonprofits take the stage to present their cause and the members vote to fund the top choices each Fall. To date, Impact 100 has granted \$422,736 to 16 local nonprofits and is transforming women's giving on the Greater Peninsula. These communities include Newport News, Hampton,

Poquoson, James City County, Williamsburg, York County, Gloucester, Isle of Wight and Smithfield.

With the myriad effects of COVID-19 hitting the Hampton Roads region, the Peninsula Community Foundation and Impact 100 Greater Peninsula joined together to help meet the needs of citizens who are disproportionately impacted by the virus.

To help meet these needs, the Impact 100 Greater Peninsula Executive Committee released \$15,000 immediately back in the spring and the Peninsula Community Foundation agreed to match these funds to further help the organizations most in need. This leveraged the funding power of two great organizations to make a real impact on the immediate needs of the Hampton Roads regional nonprofits and the countless community members that are their beneficiaries. According to the grant's application page, priority is given to nonprofits who are helping coronavirus-related services to "underprivileged and marginalized populations", for example, the Boys & Girls Club of the Virginia Peninsula, Transitions Family Violence Services and Achievable Dream.

“It is truly amazing to see the impact that a group of women can make when they come together for a greater good.” says **Tasha Young Rose ‘98**, Impact 100 Founding Member and 2019-2020 Co-Chair. “I have watched this organization make a significant difference in OUR community and I am excited to see what we can continue to accomplish together. In particular, I am inspired by the dedication and support from those in the HRA community. It is powerful to see how the concept of service that is ingrained in HRA’s message is clearly at work.”

On May 8, a grand total of \$53,100 was raised and the 13 local nonprofit recipients for the Covid-19 Response grant funds were announced. Anyone who wishes to donate to the Virginia Peninsula COVID-19 Response Fund may do so here: https://pcfvirginia.fcsuite.com/ep/donate/create?funit_id=1561. To read more about Impact 100 and how you can get involved, check out their website: <https://www.pcfvirginia.org/impact100.html>

Kaycee Childress ‘86

The amount of change that has taken place over the last year has been astronomical. The light being shone on racially motivated attacks towards people of color has grown brighter. The way people interact with one another in social settings and even daily life has become almost unrecognizable due to COVID-19. However, there are needs that have not changed this year. For instance, if a new mom loses her job and main source of income due to COVID-19 layoffs, that does not change the fact that her baby needs diapers. As one can imagine, that hardship is difficult on one’s family and if one is not in that position, one may not think about such a situation. Fortunately, this awareness is not lost on all and many want to do something about it.

The nonprofit foundation, Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation, located in Herndon, VA, was at the forefront of making sure those needs were met. “When Covid hit, we heard a huge outcry for food and diapers from the community,” says **Mary Kaye “Kaycee” (Chitty) Childress ‘86**, Executive Director. “There were so many organizations helping with food, but few helping with diapers for the tiniest most vulnerable members of our community.” She refocused the foundation’s efforts and launched their first ever diaper drive in support of the Northern Virginia Diaper Bank.

Even though Northwest Federal Credit Union employees had to temporarily work remotely because of the pandemic, this setback was not going to hinder their energy. The Diaper Drive was scheduled to launch and a pandemic was not going to change the fact that there were children in need. They initiated online fundraisers, through social media, creating an Amazon wish list and reaching out to NWFCU members. Using those outlets, their efforts were not in vain and were very well received.



Since the drive began on April 1, 2020, the results of the Diaper Drive were exponentially greater than they ever anticipated. After 35,000 diapers and pull-ups were delivered to the Northern Virginia Diaper Bank on May 21, this brought their total to almost 51,000 diapers to help babies and young children throughout Northern Virginia! Thanks to the kindness and generosity of Northwest Federal Credit Union employees, members, corporate supporters and beyond, they have been able to provide relief for hundreds of families at a time when they needed it the most.

They don’t have plans to stop either. Throughout the year, the NWFCU Foundation holds numerous donation drives to support their mission of empowering young people. Since the diaper drive, they’ve held a “Food for Kids” Drive for children and families with emergency food needs. Giant Foods supermarket partnered with them to increase the impact that could be made. At the time that this article was written, they’re extremely excited to be currently delivering all the nutritious food items they accumulated to schools and programs in the area. Kaycee says, “People really want to do the right thing, to help, and to reach out to those in need. I am so happy that as part of my job I get to give them a way to do that.”

If you’d like to learn more about the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation or how to donate, visit <https://www.nwfcufoundation.org/>.

Homecoming 2019

Homecoming /Alumni Weekend was held last year on October 4-5, 2019. It was a great weekend with alumni activities such as the All-Alumni Tailgate Party, the Homecoming Varsity Soccer game, and the Alumni v. Varsity soccer game. Alumni were also able to take a sneak peek at the new dining hall at the Tailgate Party, which was under construction at the time.

All-Alumni Tailgate Party

The Tailgate party represented 6 decades of alumni and a celebration of Navigator pride for over 60 years!



UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

This year, all of our reunions will be hosted as ReZOOMions due to Covid-19. Please contact Director of Alumni Relations/Events, Rachel Hirsch ‘13, at rhirsc@hra.org or 757-884-9113 to help plan your HRA ReZOOMion today!

HRA Golf Classic

A Navigator Club Tradition

in memory of Svein J. Lassen

The HRA Navigator Club sponsored Second Place: the 2019 HRA Golf Classic, in The Hankins Team with Hank memory of Svein Lassen, on Monday, Hankins '92, Shannon Sealy, Kevin October 21, 2019 at the James River Hutchens '92 and Jeff Morrison. Country Club.

Third Place:

While the weather was a little chilly, it didn't stop the golfers from enjoying the beautiful golf course. The tournament brought together current HRA

The TowneBank Team with Carlyle Campbell, Jim Camp, Tom Davis and Rich Stratton.

parents, HRA alumni, past HRA parents and several businesses who all helped to support and enhance the Academy's athletic program through their participation. The proceeds from

The Closest to the Pin was Bob Bailey for men and Carey Flannery for women!

this tournament will go toward the purchase of new HRA coach buses for the athletic teams. A special thank you goes to our Sponsors and Donors who made it possible.

The Longest Drive also went to Bob Bailey for men and Dana Kaufman for women!

The Proximity Putting Contest winner was Michael Lincoln with a Hole in One!

The competition was close, but three teams took the top spots:

Many thanks go to the Navigator Club parent volunteers, especially Tournament Chair and Navigator Club President Kathleen Mauk.

First place:

The Cutler Team with Nelson Cutler '74, Deck Hankins '77, Bob Bailey and Pete Paine '77.

The volunteers included Jennifer Borgstrom, Meredith Hutchens, Betsy Jones, Hilary Spencer and Christy Tankersley.

2021 HRA Golf Classic

Monday, April 19th, 2021

James River Country Club

For more information, contact Kathleen Mauk at kathleenmauk@cox.net.

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Benton Knight
Whitley's Peanut Factory

Thanks to the many Hole Sponsors and Tournament volunteers!

2019 Alumni Soccer Game

by Barclay Shepard '87, Alumni Team co-creator/player/mascot/motivational liaison/team mother

Shake it Up... Saturday Afternoon Lights!

Uh well, dance all night, play all day

Don't let nothin' get in the way

Dance all night keep the beat

Don't you worry 'bout two left feet

-Ric Ocacek, singer/songwriter (1944-2019)

It was first and ten, the ball was on the twenty-yard line...with temperatures reaching the low 90s this week, it was time to shake it up a bit... oo yeah!



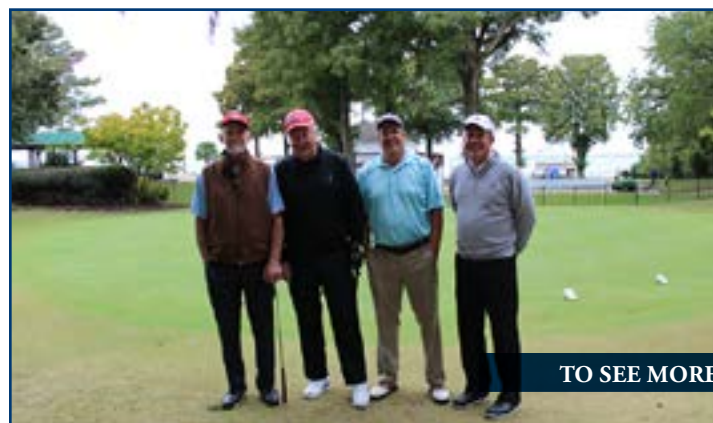
The 12th Annual Alumni vs the Boys Varsity Soccer Derby took place at HRA on October 5, 2019. This marked the first time this match took place in the football stadium. After retiring from coaching boys' soccer for 31 years, Kelly Alford joined the Alumni as club manager. Scott Herbert '06 and Justin Currin '10 served as team captains. After the referees emphasized good sportsmanship and fair play during the captain's meeting, Herbert gave his synopsis, "Don't let them knock you around," Currin hesitated, thought, then harmonized, "Let the good times roll!"

Veterans Ken Tankersley '87, Rob Dearnley '87, Jeff Katz '91, and Scott Ashe '99 led the Alumni on the pitch. Young guns Tate Tanguy '19, Ryan Post '19, and Marks Rauch '19 improved the speed of the game and significantly dropped the average age of the Alumni players from 43 to 37 years old! The alumni attack was fierce during the first half, kicking the ball through the uprights eight times, netting 48 points. That would have been great if we were playing Australian Rules Football, but unfortunately, we weren't playing that type of football.

Tied 1-1 at halftime, reality sank in. Emerging from his hyperbaric oxygen therapy chamber, Dearnley turned to his teammates and belted out, "Who's gonna tell you things, aren't so great." Empathizing, Mario Kokolis '88 (Walsingham) added, "We can't go on, thinking nothing's wrong." This was the mentality the Alumni needed to drive them home that night! No longer would the Alumni leave the ball up in the air, nor would they brush their rock and roll hair.

The defense went "old school" with Dearnley, Tankersley, Katz and Herbert, shutting down the Varsity. The Alumni made significant adjustments to the attack. Alford reviewed the concepts of possession, controlled passing and shooting the ball on goal with midfielders and forwards. Alford pleaded, "It's touch and go, oh, oh, oh." Apparently, that was just what they needed. With time winding down on the clock machine, assisted by selfless play of young guns and veterans alike, Ashe tucked away two into the back of the net, leading the alumni to victory. Alumni win 3-1...Let's Go!

*We dedicate this Alumni Game Summary to Mary Blalock: An outstanding person and supporter of all things HRA. Her dedication helped keep the Alumni Game an annual event!



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1962

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Dr. Erica Merriam Elliott '66's book, *Medicine and Miracles in the High Desert!*, has been making great leaps since it was released last year. Erica has since narrated and produced an audio version of her book. The audiobook is for sale on Audible.com and on the iTunes app, while all of the versions of the book are available on Amazon. There are even talks of making episode I of the series into a TV show, possibly partnered with Oprah Winfrey's Production Studio!

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Jimmy Lee '69 was recognized by Best Lawyers in America as 2020 "Lawyer of the Year" in Bankruptcy Litigation for the Dallas/Ft. Worth region. Jimmy now serves as Counsel to the international law firm Vinson & Elkins, residing in its Dallas, Texas office, having retired as a partner of the firm at the end of 2018. Earlier this year, he and his wife DeeDee celebrated their 34th anniversary by attending the wedding of their son Michael who honored them by choosing to marry on the day of their anniversary and in the exact same room (Hurstbourne Country Club in Louisville, Kentucky). DeeDee and Jimmy's daughter, Casey (age 32) and husband Charlie also reside in Dallas and have a daughter (3) and son (1) who their grandparents claim can do no wrong. Jimmy and his wife enjoy golf, traveling, babysitting and spending time at their second home in Louisville.

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1973

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1974

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Heath Mason '74 and her husband Rex made a stop in Southern Utah to visit **Trish Watkins Oba '74** and her husband Dean. Heath and Trish realized that they hadn't seen each other since 1983.

1975

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Heath Mason '74 and Trish Watkins Oba '74

1976

Wendy Drucker
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The **Virginian Pilot** announced The 2020 Inside Business Power List (The Next 50) in May 2020 and featured was **Wendy Drucker '76**, who is a third generation, 39-year firm veteran and Managing Director, passionate about Drucker+Falk's role in providing quality housing to more than 100,000 residents. She values giving back to the community and her "can do" attitude inspires others to get involved. Wendy's engaged in multiple organizations, including the Hampton Roads Refugee Relief organization HR3, the Newport News Economic Development Authority and she's been involved with HRA, serving on and chairing the board and leading two capital campaigns.

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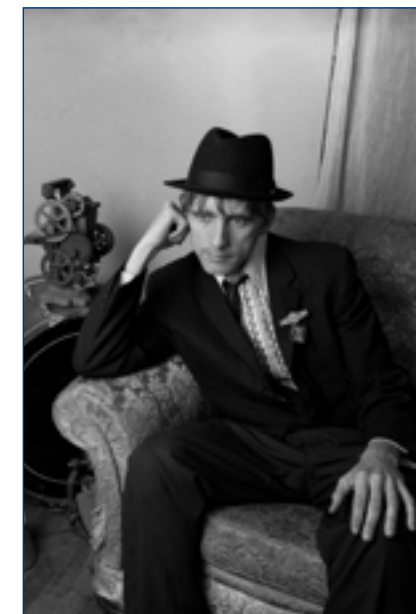
1982

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1983

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2 photographs by **John Lee Matney '83** were featured in the book *Cool Town: How Athens, Georgia, Launched Alternative Music and Changed American Culture* written by University of



John Lee Matney '83 photo of Jeremy Ayers



Stuart Hallett '84 with HRA Wood Cooler

Virginia Professor **Grace Elizabeth Hale**. One of his photographs is of **Jeremy Ayers**, who the author says is the single most important figure in the Athens art and music scene. The other photo is of artist **Patrick Keim**. The book is available on UNC Press's website and on Amazon.

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Stuart Hallett '84 is a man of many talents, including but not limited to woodwork projects. HRA is fortunate to now have this personalized, one-of-a-kind, handmade cooler. Check out Hallett's projects on his Facebook page, Hallett Woodworks.

1985

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1986



Class of '88 Mini Reunion

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1987

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1988

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In November 2019, a few HRA Alumni from the **Class of '88** and their spouses got together for a mini reunion at Amber Ox Kitchen & Brewery in Williamsburg.

1989

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1990

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Mike Robert '91 is living the dream, traveling on his 40 ft. sailboat with his wife and two



Mike Robert '91 and family on their travels

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Awards, multiple Colorado Broadcasters Awards, a New York Festival World Bronze Medal and a Virginia Broadcasters Award. Read his blog about his latest travels with his family at openhandsailing.blogspot.com and catch a recent TV interview with Mike's children about their brush with Tropical Storm Bertha aboard their boat.

1992

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EPIDEMIC is a weekly podcast that premiered in March, hosted by **Dr. Celine Gounder '93**, about the Coronavirus. The podcast helps explain the latest science, the bigger context and brings diverse angles- from history and anthropology to politics and economics. It also touches on how we can take care of ourselves, our families and our communities. She also encourages people to tweet their questions to her [@celinegounder](https://twitter.com/celinegounder) on Twitter and she'll answer a few on the show each week. Celine is an infectious disease specialist who has worked on tuberculosis and HIV in sub-Saharan Africa, and was an Ebola worker during the West African epidemic.

1994

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Bill Francavilla '98 at the Virginia General Assembly

In May 2020, **Bryan Doerries '94** premiered Theater of War Productions' most recent initiative, *The Oedipus Project*, which presented dramatic readings by acclaimed actors of Sophocles' *Oedipus the King* on Zoom as a catalyst for powerful, guided conversations about the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on individuals, families, and communities. When *Oedipus the King* was first performed, in 429 BC, the audience would have been recovering from a plague that killed nearly one-third of the Athenian population. Seen through this lens, the play might be as relevant now as it was in its own time.

1995

Kate Wassum Whitehead



Lauren Blankenship Adams '99 and Thomas "Timmy" Adams '03 with their family

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1996

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Nicole Lamberson '96 is a Physician Assistant in Virginia, serving on the Medical Advisory Board for Benzodiazepine Information Coalition (benzoinfo.com), a nonprofit organization with a mission to educate about the potential adverse effects of benzodiazepines taken as prescribed. Nicole joined the outreach team of the documentary, *Medicating Normal*, where she helps to facilitate worldwide community screenings. The film reveals the untold story of the potentially disastrous consequences that can occur when for-profit medicine intersects with human beings in distress. It is currently premiering in film festivals. The trailer and website can be seen at medicatingnormal.com.

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Earlier this year, **Bill Francavilla '98**, who is currently the Pastor at Relevant Church in Williamsburg, was asked to open up a session of the Virginia General Assembly in prayer. Pictured are Bill and his wife, Jessica.

1999

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Lauren Blankenship Adams '99 and **Thomas "Timmy" Adams '03** are excited to announce the birth of their daughter Charlotte Conway Adams, who is now 9 months old. They also have 2 twin girls, Peyton Wilson Adams and Hunter Lee Adams, who turned 2 in April. Tim works as a Project Manager for CST Mechanical and Lauren left her career in Finance at Smithfield Foods, to be a stay at home Mom and they currently live in Newport News, VA.

Bryant Nichols '99 and his wife, Amy, had their third son, Hunter Pemberton Nichols. They live in McLean, VA.



Bryant Nichols '99, his wife, Amy, and their family

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During the HRA Class of 2020 Graduation, **Matt Jackson '00** returned to campus to award student-athlete **Jada Buckhanon '20** a \$1,000 scholarship as she heads to North Carolina Central University with an interest in Forensic Science for college.

2001

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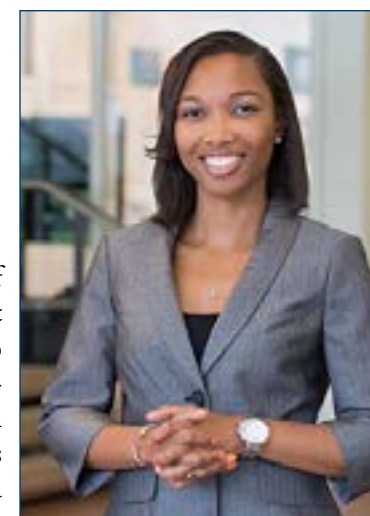
2002

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David Deeley '02 and his wife, Meg, welcomed their son Thomas Edward on February 8, 2020. Thomas's proud grandmother is HRA's own Science teacher, Becky Deeley. All of the family, including big sister Libby, are so happy he's here.



David Deeley '02's New Baby



Leticia Foster '02

Leticia Foster '02 has been named to the STANDOUT Class of 2020 by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The award recognizes active and engaged Charlotte, NC area young professionals and philanthropists who exemplify leadership qualities, excel in their industry, and most importantly, dedicate their time and energy to the Charlotte community. Leticia, along with her peers in the Class of 2020, will be recognized during a virtual celebration in October. To learn more about STANDOUT or the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, visit <https://finest.cff.org/standout>.

Sarah Dumas Locke '02 and her husband welcomed their son, Oliver Webster, into their family in July 2019 and on February 26th, they officially adopted their daughter Emma Katherine from Foster care. They now have 5 children; Jed (9), Charlie (7), Eliza Jane (4), Emma Kate (4), and Oliver (1). Sarah is an Ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church and serves as the Pastor at Hickory UMC, in Chesapeake, VA.

2003

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Emily Goodson '03 is the Founder & CEO of the new client-focused, culture-shaping consulting company CultureSmart, based in Santa Monica, California.

Megan O'Reilly '03 married Dr. Ryan Capps on May 25, 2019 in Norfolk, VA. In attendance were: Christine and **Chris Behm '04**, Emily and **Will Halliday '03**, Megan and Ryan Capps, **Dr. Will Gillen '04**, Will and **Concetta Wilson Smith '05**.

2004

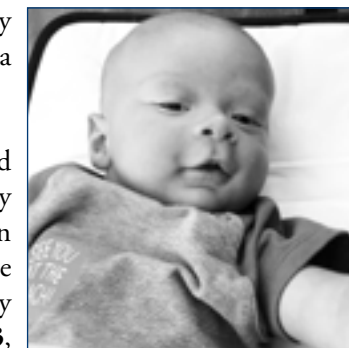
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Kira Young Jackson '04 and husband, **Asa Jackson '07**, welcomed their second child, Osiris Young Williams Jackson, on May 14, 2020.

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Kira Young Jackson '04 and Asa Jackson '07's second child, Osiris.



Sarah Dumas Locke '02 with her husband and their 5 kids



Megan O'Reilly '03 married Dr. Ryan Capps on May 25, 2019 in Norfolk, VA. In attendance were (from left to right): Christine and Chris Behm '04, Emily and Will Halliday '03, Megan and Ryan Capps, Dr. Will Gillen '04, Will and Concetta Wilson Smith '05.

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Concetta Wilson Smith '05 and her husband's first child, Caroline.

Andy Churray '05 and his wife, Meg, live in Wichita, KS with their 4 children (Rosie 7, Dottie 5, Frankie 3, and John 1). In February, Andy became the new Wichita administrator for Vagabond Missions, a nonprofit which seeks to break the cycle of neglect, violence, and broken families often faced by inner-city teens.

Concetta Wilson Smith '05 and her husband welcomed their first child, Caroline Conway Smith, on November 2, 2019. Their family lives in Nashville, TN.

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Lindsay Ferguson '07 and **James Abbott '08** were married by current Head of Lower School and HRA alumna **Susanne Dawson**



Lindsay Ferguson '07

Swain '78 on October 11, 2019 at the King Family Vineyard in Crozet, VA. Lindsay, the daughter of **William "Trip" Ferguson III '67**, is a licensed veterinarian technician at VCA/Todd's Lane Clinic. James is an instructor for the James River Association.

The Virginian-Pilot came out with their Inside Business's "2019 Top 40 under 40" list and local artist **Asa Jackson '07** was one featured. He is the president and co-founder of the Contemporary Arts Network, which hopes to empower artists, patrons and the community at large through the arts and recently opened an arts center. Asa's also currently an appointed commissioner with the Virginia Commission for the Arts, serves on the board of The Peninsula Fine Arts Center and recently served on the Education and Planning Committee at the Hermitage Museum and the Newport News Arts Commission.

2008

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Jocelyn Spencer '08 is



Asa Jackson '07

excited to be returning to HRA to teach Middle School English. She's been working in public education as an educator and instructional leader for the last 7 years and will be joining the HRA faculty in the Fall.



Jocelyn Spencer '08

2009

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Courtney Killough Bugas '09 and her husband welcomed their son Landon Theodore Bugas in June 2020 in California.

Megan Gretka '09 and Juan Pablo Duran were married on June 27, 2020. In attendance was the proud mother of

the bride **Sherri Lascola Gretka '81**, Megan's brother **Wyatt Gretka '16** was a groomsman, and **Kelsey Witt '09** was her Maid of Honor. The pandemic caused a last minute wedding relocation from Christopher Newport University's Pope Chapel and Grand Ballroom to the beautiful backyard of her parent's home. Megan and Juan reside in Ashburn, Virginia where they are both Doctors of Physical Therapy and Clinical Directors for the Jackson Clinics.



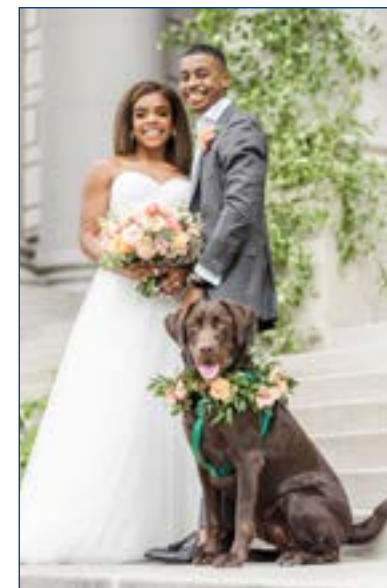
Megan Gretka '09 and Juan Pablo Duran



Megan Gretka '09 and Kelsey Witt '09



Courtney Killough Bugas '09 and her husband's son, Landon



Donovan Tyson '09 and his wife Ariel Simone Brown

Although their original wedding was postponed to 2021, **Donovan Tyson '09** and Ariel Simone Brown tied the knot on June 20, 2020 at the Carnegie Institution for Science in Washington, D.C with Best Man, Bruno, their 1 year old Chocolate Lab, by their side. At the start of quarantine, Donovan realized that his purpose was to be an entrepreneur and to serve others. He wanted to build communities in every way, mentally, physically and financially, and he's starting by becoming a Licensed Real Estate Agent. To follow along his journey and his story, visit donjtyson.com.

Nora Blalock White '09 received her Masters in Public Policy in May from George Washington University. She is currently serving as Congressman David Price's (NC-04) Legislative Director in his Washington, D.C. office and she credits her degree in helping her earn the promotion in June.

2010

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After graduating from Eastern Virginia Medical School in May 2020, **Priya Vyas '10** will be starting the next part of her training to become a pediatrician at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children in Philadelphia.

2011

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2012

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Catherine Goodson Palomino '12 and her husband, Daniel, welcomed their daughter Isabella Carolina Palomino on October 12, 2019 at Riverside Hospital in Newport News.



Catherine Goodson Palomina '12 and her husband Daniel's daughter, Isabella

Matthew Rivera '12 has debuted a new podcast called *Loud 24/7*. It's a trio of LOUD people discussing current events, curious topics, and listener's choices. They invite you to come be LOUD with them on weekly episodes! The first official episode came out on April 24 and

there are new episodes every Friday morning. Available on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and Buzzsprout.

Erica Smith '12 is excited to announce that after graduating from medical school at Saint Louis University School of Medicine this year, she matched at UC Davis in Psychiatry. She is thrilled to join a community of individuals passionate about the mental health field. Erica looks forward to addressing health inequities and social determinants of health and will continue her ongoing research interests in public health and social justice.

William Steinberger '12, a Ph.D. student in Nuclear Engineering at the University of Michigan, has been awarded a Second Place prize in the Innovations in Nuclear Technology R&D Awards sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Technology R&D. His award-winning research paper, *Imaging Special Nuclear Material using a Handheld Dual Particle Imager*, was published in the journal *Scientific Reports* in February 2020.

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2013

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Mahari Chabwera '13 is an artist living and working between Newport News and Richmond, Virginia. She received her B.F.A. in Painting and Printmaking from VCU in 2017, and shortly after began practicing creative sustainability, culture cultivation, curation, and communion. She's the 2019-2020 recipient of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts Professional Fellowship, and the 2020 recipient of the Visual Arts Center Emerging Artist Award. She religiously reads Black Women writers like Octavia Butler, Audre Lorde, & Ntozake Shange. Along with her other art pieces and murals, she has been collaborating with **Asa Jackson '07** for The Contemporary Arts Network center.

In Fall 2019, **Nicholas Denninger '13** moved to New York and accepted the Institutional Support



Mahari Chabwera '13 artwork

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Rebecca Schell '13

Associate position at the American Ballet Theatre in New York City. He is assisting with grant writing efforts and stewarding corporate, foundation, and government donors.

After graduating from Hunter College for psychology and film, **Rebecca Schell '13** started to get into acting in NYC. She began working as the background on tv shows like *The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel*, *Instinct*, *The Code*, *Quantico*, and more. She's even able to say that she got to sit behind Kevin Bacon during a dinner scene on his new show *City on a Hill*. She then signed with EMG Models modeling agency and started modeling work. In January, she was featured on Season 18; Episode 4: *The Ultimate Upcycle of Project Runway*, the hit reality television series that focuses on fashion design. Rebecca was chosen to model by Karlie Kloss, who is a fashion model, entrepreneur and judge on the show.

In October 2019, The University of Denver women's tennis team named program alumnae **Maureen Slattery '13** Interim Assistant Coach while Head Coach Christian Bass was on maternity leave. Maureen graduated from Denver in 2017 with a degree in Economics. She spent the last two seasons as an Assistant Coach at Christopher Newport University in Newport News where she helped guide the team to a combined 26-14 mark.

Lucy Smith '13 graduated with her Master of Public Policy Degree from the University of Virginia's Frank Batten School for Leadership and Public Policy in May 2020.

DaShonte' Temoney '13 received her Masters of Arts in Law with a Concentration in Mediation from Regent University in May 2020.

2014

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Although she was studying



Maureen Slattery '13 Interim Assistant Coach of the University of Denver Women's Tennis Team



Dana Lyon '14 and her groom, Kyle Deivert, with their wedding party

Media and Psychology at the University of Virginia, **Rachel Braig '14** knew that she always had a love for music. After composing a piano ballad out of her dorm and catching musical attention, an early graduation prompted a move to Nashville to begin songwriting full-time alongside some of pop's most promising artists. In 2019, Rachel, known by her artistic alias **Essy**, began releasing her solo material, racking up over 4 million streams and 75,000 monthly listeners on Spotify alone. Her musical style can be described as "synth pop" and she's recently been focusing on finding a voice for young women. **Essy's** first EP "Second Thoughts" dropped in May 2020 and is available on all streaming platforms, while her second EP is to follow later in

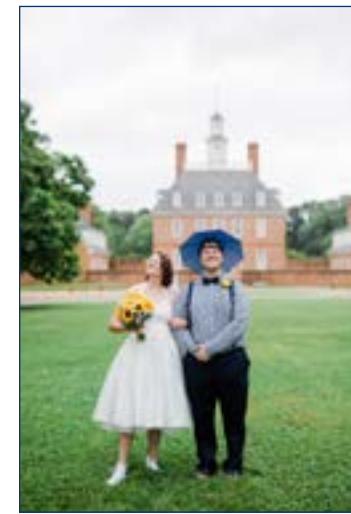
the year. Rachel resides in Nashville but spends time in Los Angeles as well.

On August 29, 2020, **Dana Lyon '14** married Kyle Deivert at the Williamsburg Winery in Williamsburg, VA. HRA alumni in attendance were **Grace Bowen '14, Anne Waverly "Wave" Spencer '14, Ellie Ferguson '14, and Marshall Bagley '12.**

In early December 2019, **Patricia Zarate '14** set off to Guinea, Africa for the next 27 months with the Peace Corps. She's a Public Health educator with a focus on malaria prevention, maternal care, and sustainability.



Rachel Braig '14 as Essy



Jeff Stout '15 and his bride, Erin Forgit

2015

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In mid June 2020, **Jeff Stout '15** married Erin Forgit in an intimate ceremony in Colonial Williamsburg, VA. In attendance were his brother, **David Stout '20**, and father, **John Stout '82**. Jeff is now living in Sherman Oaks in Los Angeles, California for his new position as Associate Engineer in Manufacturing with SpaceX.

2016

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Wyatt Gretka '16 graduated from Christopher Newport University on May 9, 2020 with a degree in Political Science. He is currently pursuing a life-long dream of becoming a professional chef and is currently attending the Culinary Institute of Virginia working on a professional

degree in the Culinary Arts. Future goals include opening his own restaurant and sharing his passion for great food with others.

In late 2019, **Scott Jones '16**, a senior football player at Duke University, celebrated Senior Day on the field with his family. (From left to right) Gail Jones, Former Trustee **Allen Jones Jr., Scott Jones '16, Allen Jones III '13, Lauren Jones '19** and **Lindsey Jones '19.**

After graduating Magna Cum Laude as an Integrated Science and Technology Major with a double concentration in Energy and Environment from James Madison University in 2020, **Kayla Rutherford '16** can now add published author to her resume. Her first book in a trilogy, *Blood of Power*, is a young adult science fiction novel about a young girl and a tragic fate. The second book is on its way as well as an audio version of the first book. For more information regarding Kayla's book and signing dates, you can find her on



Wyatt Gretka '16 graduated from CNU on May 9, 2020.

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2017

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2019

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2020



(From left to right) Gail Jones, Former Trustee Allen Jones Jr., Scott Jones '16, Allen Jones III '13, Lauren Jones '19 and Lindsey Jones '19.

Share your class note!

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Reach out to Rachel Hirsch '13, HRA's Director of Alumni Relations/Events, by emailing rhirc@hra.org to update your contact info or share a class note!

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Kayla Rutherford '16

IN MEMORIAM

*Our condolences to the families of:
(July 2019 - October 1, 2020)*

Charles “Fred” Anspach, father of Stephanie Anspach Hunt ‘87 and Laura Anspach Dwyer-Mutch ‘89 (deceased),
September 4, 2019.

Gladys Barbee, grandmother of current Director of Alumni Relations/Events, Rachel Hirsch ‘13, April 9, 2020.

Morris Bryan “Moss” Beecroft Jr., father of Morris “Bryan” Beecroft III ‘76 and R. Craig Beecroft ‘79,
April 25, 2020.

Henry Kistler “Hank” Berry III ‘95, December 27, 2019.

Lois Hayes Berryman, mother of Janis Berryman Bradfield ‘78, and grandmother of Graham Bradfield ‘11,
June 22, 2020.

Alan Arnold Diamonstein, father of Kevin Diamonstein ‘77, father-in-law of Michael Allen ‘82, grandfather of
Peyton “Alex” Alexander Allen ‘09 and Benjamin Allen ‘13, October 17, 2019.

Gen. David A. Fastabend, stepfather of Chloe Brackens ‘19, March 20, 2020.

Shirlee Miller Fisher, mother of Robert Fisher Jr. ‘84 and Michael “Mike” Fisher ‘86, August 23, 2020.

Patricia “Paddy” Senior Fletcher, mother of Sarah Fletcher Moore ‘75, Mark Fletcher ‘79, Matthew Fletcher ‘81
and James Fletcher ‘88, December 2, 2019.

Sarah Jester “Sallie” Ford, mother of Nell Ford Clayton ‘88, November 20, 2019.

Claren B. Fore, father of Carol Fore Holbrook ‘73, May 13, 2020.

Sarah E. Fore, mother of Carol Fore Holbrook ‘73, May 28, 2020.

Dr. William T. Green, father of William “Chad” Green ‘88, October 17, 2019.

Alice Davis Heldenfels, mother of Richard Heldenfels ‘69 and Harriet Heldenfels Yake ‘72, February 1, 2020.

Dr. John “Jack” Archibald Horgan, former HRA trustee member, father of Laura Horgan ‘86 M.D., John
Archibald Horgan ‘96, and Amy Horgan Fiveash ‘89 and father-in-law of Steven Hunter ‘86, September 8, 2020.

Lois Saunier Hornsby, mother of Robert “Bobby” Hornsby ‘70, Bruce Hornsby ‘73, and Jonathan “Jon” Hornsby
‘74, grandmother of Susannah Hornsby ‘01 and Keith Hornsby ‘11, August 26, 2020.

Robert “Bob” Hudson, Former Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach from 2008-2017, August 3, 2020.

Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth Edward “Ken” “Mr. J” Jenkins, former HRA Science teacher/History teacher/
Coach from 1985-2013 and Wall of Honor member, father of Kenneth “Kenny” Jenkins II ‘82 and Kerry Jenkins
‘84, partner to former faculty member Judy Finley, September 15, 2019.

Larry William Knight, former HRA Art teacher/Track & Cross Country Coach from 1979-1988,
September 11, 2020.

Ada Adams Townsend Lightner ‘73, sister of C. Edward “Eddie” Townsend III ‘71 (deceased) and Nell Weston
Peabody ‘88, April 7, 2020.

Jeffrey Louis Mendelsohn, former HRA trustee member, father of Mariann Mendelsohn Brush ‘96 and
Michael Mendelsohn ‘99, December 10, 2019.

Edith Gisela Naurath, mother of R. “Scott” Naurath ‘79, July 16, 2020.

Dr. Rudolph Joseph Naurath, father of R. “Scott” Naurath ‘79, September 26, 2020.

Margaret “Peggy” Palmer, mother of Elizabeth Palmer Keplesky ‘76 and Susan Palmer Harlow ‘79, June 4, 2020.

Thomas Read, former Headmaster of HRA from 1961-1967, father of Ellen “Bookie” Read-Orr ‘70 and
David Read ‘71, December 21, 2019.

Casimira “Cassie” Rogowski, grandmother of Aidan Rogowski ‘11 and Alyssa Rogowski ‘13, August 2, 2019.

Mickey Gene Rowe, father of current International Residence Chef, Jesse Rowe, June 28, 2020.

Thomas Richard Sallade ‘79, brother of Linda Sallade Madler ‘82 and Ross Sallade ‘88, May 27, 2020.

Judith Ann Saville, mother of former HRA trustee member, B. Hagen Saville III ‘79, October 20, 2019.

Mary Linda Sawyer, former Computer and Language Arts teacher from 1994-2011, September 16, 2019.

Audrey Ann Schatz, mother of current Dean of Student Life, Cynthia Cochran, grandmother of Albert “Woody”
Patrick IV ‘96, Virginia Cochran Baldwin ‘05 and Jacob “Jake” Cochran ‘07, May 5, 2019.

Bruce Richard Speight ‘92, brother of Chad Speight ‘84, September 20, 2019.

Mary Montague Stephens, mother of Mary “Molly” Stephens Anderson ‘77 and E. Ford Stephens ‘79,
March 26, 2020.

Col. James H. Tormey, former HRA Business Manager, Assistant Headmaster and teacher from 1982-1995, father
of former faculty James B. Tormey ‘75 and Michael M. Tormey ‘77 (deceased), December 2019.

William Marten Westerman Jr., father of Megan Westerman ‘19, January 1, 2020.

Christopher Essic Wilson, husband of Virginia “Gina” Fitzhugh Wilson ‘67, father of Jonathan Wilson ‘97 and
Katherine “Katie” Wilson ‘00, and brother-in-law of Anne Fitzhugh ‘65, August 16, 2020.

Thomas Jeffrey “Coach” York, former HRA Math Teacher and Football Coach from 2006-2012, April 10, 2020.

Vera Tomsy Zubko, mother of current Middle School/Upper School Choral Director, Robin Steinberger,
grandmother of Joseph “Jay” Steinberger ‘04 and William “Billy” Steinberger ‘12, March 19, 2020.



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