

WASHINGTON EPISCOPAL SCHOOL Alumni CLASS NOTES



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1 Alanne Wheeler '04 and husband Richard Joyce on their wedding day in California (Anna Delores Photography) • 2 Stephanie Somerville '05 and husband Andy Logosz on their wedding day in DC • 3 Isabelle Kramer '11 and husband Bryce Bangert on their wedding day in South Dakota • 4 Amy Sharfman '07 and her husband Elliot Belchovski on their wedding day in November • 5 The Geier family on Caroline's wedding day last August: (l to r): Julia Geier '07, Ted Geier, Caroline Geier '02 and her husband Jack Masur, Elisa Geier, Dave and Gabriele (Geier) Wright



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Sabina Abdow ran on Walt Whitman High School's cross country team. **Arya Balian** performed at A Capitol Fourth Celebration in DC on July 4th with the Choral Arts Society of Washington. **Tendai Ball**, **Julian Matthews**, and **Theo Sotoodehnia** ran on the St. Albans cross country team. Theo came in 8th place in the IAC/ISL/MAC Cross Country Varsity B meet in October. **Kyra Chassaing** played on the JV soccer team at Richard Montgomery High School. **Evan Deobald** and **Alex McMillan** ran on Georgetown Prep's cross country team in the fall. Evan finished 11th and Alex finished 13th at the IAC/ISL/MAC Cross Country Varsity B meet in October. **Caroline Dickey** and **Maya Grebowsky** played JV soccer at Holton-Arms School. **Isabella Dodro** was in the a cappella club at St. Andrew's. **Maddie Griffin** played soccer for Holy Cross. **Julian Haas** played soccer for St. Andrew's. **Harrison Kehler** and **Conner Nickel** ran on St. Andrew's cross country team. Harrison came in 24th in the IAC/ISL/MAC Championship Varsity A race in October. **Caroline King** played JV volleyball for Potomac School in the fall. **Joy Alycia Kramer** and **Fiona Turnbull** played field hockey at Holton-Arms School. Joy Alycia has also joined the golf and knitting clubs. **Giovanna Massaro** was in the fall production of *Love's Labour's Lost* at Madeira in November. **Alexander Mehta** is in the robotics club at Sidwell Friends School and played

soccer. **Parker Nolan** ran on Landon's cross country team this fall. **Moniola Odunsi** played on the tennis team at Madeira. **David Stevenson** had a part in the St. Andrew's play in the fall and has been cast in the musical as well. **Bradley Whiteway** played on Georgetown Prep's freshman soccer team.

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Zach Alexander is a member of the newspaper club at St. John's. **Christian Berko** is playing in the marching band at St. John's. **Lisa Byskov** played varsity soccer at Walt Whitman High School. **Thomas Carney** works stage crew at Gonzaga. He went with the group to New York over Christmas break to see two Broadway shows. **Joanna Dematatis** played JV field hockey at Holton-Arms School in the fall and is playing varsity basketball. She earned "Panther of the Week" honors in December for outstanding play, scoring 9 points and making 9 rebounds in just 7 minutes of play during a game! **Emelia Isola** was on the Walter Johnson cross country team. **Nico Jordan** and **Garrett McCally** played on the Georgetown Prep JV soccer team. Sean Lasner was on the cross country team at Potomac School. **Caroline Moore** played JV soccer at Stone Ridge. **Arman Naseh** is taking three AP courses at Bullis, and is enjoying boxing and soccer. **Lily Talieh** is playing soccer (goalie) at Holton-Arms School. **Holden Woodings** is working on the year-book at St. Andrew's Episcopal School.

MARCH

2 SAT Auction Gala
6 p.m. at WES

15-16 FRI - SAT Sixth-Grade Musical:
Getting to Know Footloose

MAY

31 FRI Founders Day Picnic
6 - 8 p.m.

JUNE

4 TUES Graduation
2 p.m.

Alumni Class Notes

'16 **Maddie Blonder**
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Jemma Bazemore played varsity field hockey for Holton-Arms. **Maddie Blonder** writes, "I have been really focused on my new student group to raise money for people without access to clean water. I have been engaged in my school's service program, where I am on the board planning many extra service days for our school. This past summer, I went to Australia on an exchange for one month. It was definitely one of the highlights of high school." **Peter Connolly** played varsity football (left tackle) at Georgetown Prep and varsity rugby (prop). He also serves on the student government as Junior class representative and is a staff writer for the *Little Hoya* newspaper. **Charlie Cope** is enjoying life as a sophomore at Colorado Rocky Mountain School in Carbondale, CO. **William FitzGerald** was the top individual and top team fundraiser for the Prevent Cancer 5K in September 2018.

He raised over \$5,000 thanks in part to many generous WES alumni families. **Daniel González-Kosasky** received the Upper School Faculty Prize at St. Andrew's Episcopal School last June. Daniel also sails with the Annapolis Junior Rowing Club. **Charlotte Mensforth** played JV soccer at Stone Ridge. **Sarah Myhre** ran on the Stone Ridge cross country team in the fall placing in the IAX/ISL/MAC Championship varsity meet (B) in the fall. Sarah had a busy summer, spending four weeks on an exchange trip to Australia. She also participated in a Sacred Heart Service Trip to New Orleans called Healthy Waters and Coastal Restoration, and had a week-long externship with the Uniformed Services University on the Walter Reed Bethesda Naval Base with the Science, Service, Medicine, and Mentoring Program. She also worked at Chevy Chase Recreation Pool as a lifeguard. **Pascale Schmidt** ran on Holton-Arms' cross country team and placed in the IAC/ISL/MAC Championship varsity B meet in October. She

was recently admitted to Holton-Arms' STEM program. **Sophie Whiteway** committed to Princeton University to play lacrosse. She was a Washington Post All-Met Spring 2018 Honorable Mention for lacrosse. **Alexandra Skoufias** made the spring Honor Roll at Bullis School.

'15 **Ryan Kyle**
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Allyn Abbott is enjoying singing with Potomac School's a cappella group and hopes to continue to sing in college and perhaps incorporate it into his studies. Many of his performances can be found on YouTube. Allyn also is a Potomac School steward and plays ice hockey. **Zoe Barnette** and **Alicia Pané** were inducted into the Cum Laude Society (which is the top 20% of students) at Stone Ridge in September. Zoe is committed to attending Notre Dame University in the fall for fencing. Alicia ran on the Stone Ridge cross country team, winners of the ISL Championship. She also earned her Girl Scout Gold Award. **Andreas Christofides** did music composition summer programs at Tanglewood and Berklee College of Music. He also sings in the Senior All-State Choir and serves as the student director of the men's chamber choir at Walt Whitman High School. **Bridget Dick** is head of Georgetown Day School's hiking club. **Juliet Faris** completed her final season on the Episcopal High School varsity volleyball team as a right side hitter. She looks forward to another fruitful crew season this spring; last season her boat finished 7th at Nationals and 3rd at States. This past summer she did an exchange program in France and shadowed a doctor at George Washington University Hospital. **Brendan Grau**, a student at St. Anselm's Abby School, earned his Eagle Scout award. **Allaire Kotz**, a senior at Connelly School of the Holy Child, was named a Washington Post All-Met Spring 2018 Honorable Mention lacrosse player. **Ryan Kyle** served as a captain of Sidwell Friend School's cross country team this past fall and was awarded the SFS award for spirited and meaningful commitment to the team. **Paul Marquardt** ran on Whitman's cross country team in the fall. **Patricia Massaro** has been accepted to Williams College in the fall. **Georgia McCally** was captain of the varsity field hockey team at Bullis. She has played varsity goalie for all four years of high school. She faced field hockey players **Hadley Nolan** (Holton-Arms) and **Libby Scanlon** (Stone Ridge) in games but no matter

how fierce the game, it always ended in a hug between WES classmates! **Sophia Mishurny-Santini** served as a captain of Potomac's cross country team. She earned a 2nd place trophy at the MileStat race in Richmond this fall and had a nice finish in the IAC/ISL/MAC Championship meet. **Nicholas Ratliff** played his final season as a center attacking mid on the Maret soccer team, which won the MAC championship. This past summer he interned at Mass General Hospital in Boston and hopes to pursue biology and neuroscience in college. Nick also founded a Young Conservatives club at Maret, which seeks to create a safe space for students to share their thoughts. **Jeremiah Samuel** was elected vice-president of the student body at Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School and serves as a sports anchor for a weekly broadcasting of BCCTV. **Libby Scanlon** played varsity field hockey at Stone Ridge in the fall. St. Albans student **Matthew Sheets** performed at A Capitol Fourth Celebration in DC on July 4th with the Choral Arts Society of Washington, as did **Sareen Balian** from NCS. It aired on PBS. Matthew was also in the St. Albans/NCS fall play, *An Enemy of the People*, and served as a co-captain of the STA cross country team. **Emma Stanfill** made the spring Honor Roll at Bullis School. **Nicholas Steele** is a leader of an all-male a cappella group at BCC High School and hopes to pursue music in college. **Morinsola Tinubu** is a senior captain of her dance ensemble at Episcopal High School. **Lizzie Zampella**, a senior at Holton-Arms, received The George Washington University School of Engineering and Applied Science Award for the highest cumulative average in mathematics and science. She was also inducted into the Cum Laude Society.

'14 **Samantha Liggins**
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Dominick Doyle is enjoying taking fashion design classes to help with his business, DK Skate. **Oliver Johnson** had a terrific first semester at Colgate University. Last summer he worked for MEANS, a nonprofit food rescue platform, in their DC office, as a web designer. He volunteered for them in the summer of 2017. Oliver attended the CNN Heroes All Star Tribute event in December 2018 in which MEANS was recognized for their extraordinary contribution to humanitarian aid and making a difference in the community. **Sofia González-Kosasky** was inducted into the Cum Laude Society at St. Andrews Episcopal



Top-bottom, L-R: Caterina Earle, Isaiah Horne '18, Mehdi Elkassem, and Chaplain Tim Kennedy after Chapel • Margaret Hampe '18 and Arjun Narayan '18 perform with their band, "Silent Lunch," in Bethesda in August • Caroline Dickey '18, Fiona Turnbull '18, and Theo Sotoodehnia '18 at WES • Emily Nelson and Clara Knott from the Class of 2018 at WES in November • Kyra Chassaing '18 at WES in September • Sabina Abdow '18 and Maya Grebowsky '18 visiting at WES • Joy Alycia Kramer '18 and Nick Lellenberg at a Holton-Arms field hockey game this fall





Top to bottom, L-R: William FitzGerald '16, a top fundraiser for the Prevent Cancer 5K run in September • Sisters Moniola '18 and Tamilore '16 Odunsi at WES last June • Randolph Kaminskis '17, Ron Valenzia, and Joanna Dematatis '17 at WES this fall • Sarah Myhre '16 and Sterling Myhre '13 in Sydney Australia last summer • Libby Scanlon '15 and Georgia McCally '15 after a field hockey game • Holton-Arms Head of School Susannah A. Jones with Lizzie Zampella '15 • Georgia McCally '15 and Hadley Nolan '15 after a Bullis vs Holton-Arms field hockey game • Garrett McCally '17 and Nico Jordan '17 after their Georgetown Prep soccer game • Pascale Schmidt '16 and Sarah Myhre '16 at a cross country championship meet • Sterling Myhre '13 on the field at an LSU game in November 2018



School and received the Excellence in Science award at graduation in June. She attends the University of Chicago. **Case van Stolk** received the Excellence in Religion award and was a co-winner of the Saints Award at St. Andrew's last June. **Lawrence Redmond** is enjoying life as a pre-med major at Emory University in Atlanta. He is on the swim team, pursuing a freshman record in the 200 backstroke.

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Sterling Myhre is a credentialed sports reporter for HMG (Heroes Media Group) and is a student at Tulane University, majoring in business. Last summer he was selected to study abroad in Cuba, learning about Cuban culture, society, nationalism, and political history. He also visited his sister, **Sarah '16**, in Australia, who was also studying abroad.

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Laura Abbott spent her junior year at Vanderbilt University abroad in Sydney, Australia from July through November 2018 at University of New South Wales. She loved the experience and enjoyed exploring Melbourne, Cairns, Byron Bay, Blue mountains, and traveled to Thailand on a break. Laura is majoring in psychology with a minor in business. **Allie Peel** is a member of Delta Gamma at University of Alabama. **Laurence Ruberl** was a summer intern at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center. **James Zampella** is a junior majoring in communications at the University of Maryland at College Park and enjoys being a member in his fraternity, FIJI.

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Daniel Armagh played football for Sewanee, the University of the South for all four years. **Sarah Bair** has an internship with the Jimmy Carter Foundation in Atlanta, GA. She anticipates graduating from Emory University in May.

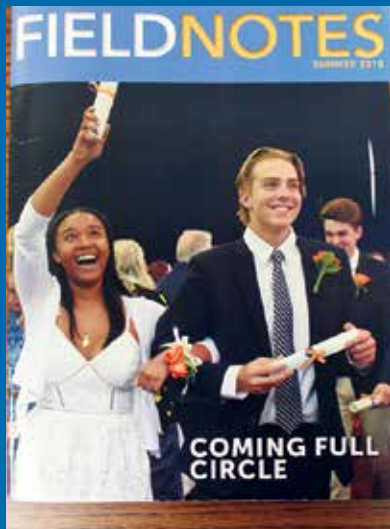
Claire Collins was selected to represent the United States in the US Under 23 Women's eight at the World Rowing Championships in Poznan, Poland last July. They won a bronze medal. Claire was named to the 2018 CRCA All-America First Team in July 2018. After graduation, she plans to train with USRowing, a non-profit organization recognized by the United States Olympic Committee as the governing body for crew in the United States. Based in Princeton, USRowing selects and manages the American teams that compete in world championships, Pan American Games, and the Olympics. **Isabelle Kramer** married Bryce Bangerter in Hill City, SD on August 4. Her grandmother, Reverend Kramer, officiated. Her sister, **Joy Alycia Kramer '18** was maid of honor and **Peter Abdow '11**, whom Isabelle has been friends with since Kindergarten at WES, was a groomsman. Isabelle is studying abroad in England for the spring semester with Brigham Young University. **Cornelia Smith** is a junior at Columbia University majoring in art history.

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Lindsay Bratun started a job with Bully Pulpit Interactive in their DC office in September 2018. **Nora Dahlberg** graduated from Bates College and is back in the DC area. **Alexis Doyle** started teaching Transition in the fall at WES in the T-1 classroom and thoroughly enjoys it. **Leia Karam** graduated with a Master of Arts with Honors in Digital Media and Information Studies from the University of Glasgow, Scotland, in June 2018. She is living and working in London. **Marina Jackson** had an internship with The Smithsonian this past summer. **Byron Jones** is pursuing a masters degree in sports management at Georgetown University. He is a manager of the Georgetown mens basketball team. **Julia Leep-Lazar** is working as a researcher at Johns Hopkins Hospital. She and her sister **Katie '07** live together in Columbia, MD. **Shelby Mahaffie** is a research analyst at the University of Chicago Consortium on School Research, conducting data analysis for "The To&Through" project which provides educators and families with data

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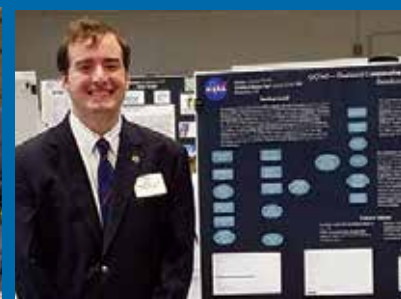
and research on improving students' college access and attainment. She has a published report, *Hidden Risk: Changes to GPA across the Transition to High School*. It is available from Amazon. She received her BA from the University of Chicago in economics and public policy in June, 2018. **Matthew Peel** graduated from University of Alabama in May. He majored in business management and sales. **Campbell Peterson** works for PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PWC) in Tysons Corner, VA. **Madison Sharp** is living in the DC area. **Kate Young** stayed on at Ohio State University to complete a double major in Finance and French and anticipates graduating in May 2019. **Anthony Ware** is working at Definers Public Affairs in Arlington, VA. **Rachel Weinberger** works for KPMG in New York City.



Alumni

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Claire Bork has been working for ZeniMax/Bethesda Software, a video gaming company, since the fall. **Pryce Bevan** is working toward a PhD at Georgetown University. **Courtney Bratun** graduated from Auburn University's Harbert College of Business in August 2018. She works in corporate retail.



Top to bottom, L-R: Class of 2014 members Blaine Mengistu-Gunn and Jack Dueffert on the cover of the *Field School* magazine • Spenser Li's '05 article in the *Army Times* • Courtney Bratun '09 on graduation day in Auburn, AL, with her sister Lindsay '10 • Ben '08, Celia, Carolyn '12, Jim, and Dana '10 Martin • Faith Collins '07, Liz Mosher '07, Amy Sharfman '07, Katie Leep-Lazar '07, and Shannon Egan '07 celebrate at Amy's wedding • Jack Fowler '08 and Sean Dwyer '08 at a friend's wedding in September 2018 • Laurence Ruberl '12 at Earlham University presenting about his NASA internship

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Tyler Bartels is working for GPI US in Boston as a program coordinator. He is creating short-term study abroad programs for Japanese High School students and other programs to develop intercultural communication and relationships between Japan and the US. **Jake Bradt** is pursuing his PhD at the Harvard Kennedy School studying Applied Economics, a 5-6 year degree program. Jake's parents hosted a lovely 10-year reunion for parents from the Class of 2008 in December. A few alumni stopped by: **Ben Coleman**, **Evan Deyak**, **Emma Hemus**, and **Spencer Veirs**. **Ben Coleman** is attending medical school at University of Maryland (Baltimore). **Tommy Finton** traveled to Africa (Namibia, Zambia, Botswana) in October with a college friend who is in the Peace Corps. **Jack Frye** is living in Georgetown and is a political advocacy coordinator for the National Restaurant Association. **Will Lynch** is applying to PhD programs. **Hillary Meeker** and **Daniel Norton**

are attending medical school. **Sarah Seagrave** started graduate school at Georgetown University's Biochemistry and Molecular Biology masters program in the fall. We enjoyed a visit at WES from **Spencer Veirs** this fall when he had a day off from JBG Smith in Arlington. **Brendan Walsh** recently moved to Florida.

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Susie Bair moved to Charlotte, NC, in January and is working in hospital-ity for MKTG, a global marketing company. **Faith Collins** moved to Denver, CO and still works for IBM. She is engaged to be married. **Katie Leep-Lazar** works in the NICU unit at Holy Cross Hospital. **Liz Mosher** is in her last year of public health graduate school at Johns Hopkins University, in public health. She is interning

at a local hospital. **Amy Scharfman** and **Elliot Belchatovski** were married on November 4, 2018 at Gramercy Mansion in Stevenson, MD, where they met at college. They honeymooned in Maui, HI. WES classmates **Faith Collins**, **Shannon Egan**, **Katie Leep-Lazar**, and **Liz Mosher** were in attendance.

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Congrats to **Jamie Durling** on his 6th place finish at the Metro Health Grand Rapids marathon in October 2018. He finished in under 2½ hours. **Quinn Kelly** lives in Medellin, Columbia. He teaches English as a second language at the middle and high school level and recently completed an advanced ESL course with Cambridge University and received his certification. He teaches ESL

remotely and hopes to teach at a university in Medellin in the future. **Ben Norton** is attending medical school. **Philip Rosenman** took two fun trips recently to Aruba and to Bogota, Columbia. **Gavin Taylor** is engaged to be married.

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Della Bradt lives in DC and works for Chemonics Intl. Congratulations to **Michael** and **Tiffany Harding** on the birth of their son Charles "Charlie" Robert Harding, born August 29, 2018 in Honolulu, HI. He joins big brother James who joined the WES Transition class in January 2019. **Spenser Li** was a 2018 *Army Times Soldier of the Year* finalist. As a member of the 4th Infantry Division's 52nd Brigade Engineer Battalion, his

medical, rescue work, and leadership skills got him a spot on his last deployment to help build up the airfield at Tarin Kowt, Afghanistan, north of Kandahar. He was the number 1 requested medic by other units, according to his superiors. Aside from doing his medic job, he was pulled into the engineering tasks of his unit by operating heavy equipment and other duties. Li joined the Army in November 2015, shortly after finishing his college degree (Western State College). He plans to become a flight medic. He and his wife Lynda volunteer at a rock climbing gym in Colorado Springs, CO, where they assist young children with physical and cognitive disabilities in climbing. He also volunteers with El Paso County Search and Rescue, giving more than 500 volunteer service hours in the past two years and participating in five rescue missions. He returned to the US in September 2018 and is attending flight school in Alabama. **Stephanie Somerville** and Andy Longosz exchanged vows at Washington National Cathedral on July 28, 2018. Their brothers were friends and they met at a Bruce Springsteen concert in DC in 2012. An article about their relationship and wedding appeared in the August 18, 2018 Style section of *The Washington Post*. They spent their honeymoon in the French Rivera, Spain, and the Seychelles, and reside in New York City. Stephanie's cousin, Declan, is a seventh-grader

at WES. **Emma Whitaker** is the lower school art teacher at Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School in Rockville, MD.

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Emanuela Kucik earned her PhD in June 2018 from Princeton University. She joined the faculty at Muhlenberg College as a tenure-track Assistant Professor of English and African American Studies in August 2018. Congratulations to **Sofia Selowsky** and William Harbeson who were married on December 15, 2018. **Stephanie Walsh** is a CPA at JBGSmith. **Alanna Wheeler** and Richard Joyce were married on August 18, 2018 in Santa Barbara, CA. **Forrest Wright** began teaching Kindergarten at WES in the fall and loves it!

'03

M.G. Earnest is living in Los Angeles, working with Media Funding, a Soros owned company.

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Caroline Geier married Jack Masur on August 11, 2018 in Chevy Chase, MD. They spent their honeymoon in Sun Valley, ID. Caroline is an ICU nurse at The George Washington University Hospital and Jack is a fourth-year med student at GW. They reside in Dupont Circle in DC.

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Laura Wright Salomon completed two Rock 'n' Roll half marathons this year in DC and in Las Vegas. **Matthew Thompson** just completed the physician assistant program at Arcadia University. He and his wife Charlotte, who is a veterinarian, are planning to pursue their careers in the Seattle area.

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Michael Procelli and his wife Kate welcomed daughter Josephine on October 10, 2018. Michael's father Robert has been substitute teaching at WES. **Katherine Robinson** absolutely loves Cambridge, describing it as a "dream." She is pursuing a PhD in English at Cambridge University and is taking the opportunity to travel to surrounding areas: attending a Sylvia Plath conference in Ireland

and spending two weeks in Shetland in August. **Will Seeley** is engaged to be married.

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It was nice to have **William Rawson's** children, Lorilei and Rory, at Summer@WES this past summer.

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Katie and **Dan Freer's** daughter Charlotte is in the Kindergarten class (Class of 2027) at WES.



Top-bottom, L-R: Peter Abdow '11 and Isabelle Kramer '11 at her wedding • William Rawson's '94 children Lorilei and Rory at Summer@WES • Cece Ochoa '06 appeared on a WUSA 9 newscast in August 2018 • Tory Taylor '08 and Sean Dwyer '08 • Anna-Sophia Massaro '14 and her sister Giovanna '18 with Matt Gill in November • Class of 2010 members Byron Jones, Matt Peel, and Hunter Heflin



Top-bottom, L-R: Kat Cusani-Visconti '88 with her son Alessandro '21 in The Stuart Work Library • Rebecca Schneider Luria's '88 children give a Hawaiian greeting (shaka) during a hike in Hawaii, September 2018 (Robyn 5, Reid 10, and Ryan 8) • Dan Freer '93 with his former teacher Annette Poston and his daughter Charlotte '27 • Britt Snider's '88 children, Maeve, 8 and Katherine, 10 • Eliza Rosen's '88 artwork: pet portrait • Libby Roche, 1 year-old daughter of Sally Steponkus Roche '88 and Tom Roche

'92 John Pinto
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'91 Andrew Dinsmore is pursuing his MBA at University of Delaware during the evenings. He is still Projects Manager in the Wilmington, DE office of Senator Chris Coons (DE-D).

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Ashleigh Freer Parr is Deputy Director at College of Charleston, her alma mater, where she has been employed since 2002.

'89 Stephan von Schilcher
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'88 Rebecca (Schneider) Luria
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Rebecca (Schneider) Luria is still living in Hawaii, taking every opportunity to hike and enjoy the outdoors with her children, Robyn, 5, Reid, 9, and Ryan 7, and her husband, Joe. **Eliza Rosen** has been busy raising her children Max, 11 and Caroline, 13. She teaches Graphic Design at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, and is growing her pet illustration business, Eliza Rosen Illustration. She writes, "It's been fun helping people celebrate their pets by elevating them to true family status, dressed as they would should they have thumbs! And I'm super excited to report that I was recently published in this October's issue of *Country Living Magazine* under Best in Show Pet Awards: Cutest Customized Pet Portraits." **Britt Snider** and his family are doing a major renovation on their home in Chevy Chase.

Sally Steponkus Roche's daughter Libby turned one in November. She sees Eliza Rosen often—she's one of Libby's favorite aunts!

Former Faculty News

Jason Platt and his wife Judy welcomed their son Micah in April 2018. **Kelly Rutherford**, her husband Adam, and their son Austin welcomed son and little brother Chase on August 23, 2018.

Thank you to the group of past faculty who helped prepare the WES holiday cards for mailing.

In Memory & Sympathy

The Penn family on the passing of **Holly Penn '02** on August 10, 2018. **Leia '10** and **Isabella '17 Karam** on the passing of their father, Georges Karam, in August 2018.

Will Murphy '03 on the passing of his father, Steven F. X. Murphy, in September 2018.

Madison Sharp '10 on the passing of her mother, Bayo Sharp Johnson, on October 29, 2018

Parents of WES Alumni:

Please email or call us with any news you wish to share (photos too!) of your WES alums! Contact us at www.w-e-s.org/alumni or call the Development Office at 301-652-7878, ext. 212, 214, or 215.
Thank you so much!

class correspondents
needed for years:
'91,'98,'99,'03



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Alumni PROFILES

Forrest Wright '04

Shannon Egan '07

Alexis Doyle '10

This school year we are celebrating
THREE WES GRADUATES
who hold teaching positions at WES.
Read on to learn more about
this trio and what inspired them
to become educators.

Forrest Wright '04 • Kindergarten Teacher

started WES in Kindergarten, graduated 2004 | graduated The Field School 2008 | graduated Hood College 2016

FACT:

I love to travel. My family, my girlfriend, and I went to Spain over Christmas break, visiting Barcelona, Madrid, and Bilbao. I've visited 20 countries and 41 states. I am a certified Scuba diver and hope to dive the Great Barrier Reef (before it's gone). I am a DC United season ticket holder with Jeff Cook '07 and can't wait for the season to begin!

INSPIRATION:

My biggest inspiration for becoming a teacher was my mother [former math teacher and Middle School Director Nancy Wright]. She has always been an inspiration for me. My fourth-grade teacher at WES, Deighton Alleyne, was another person who inspired me. I looked up to him as a person and as a teacher. It gives me great pride that I now teach at the same school where my mother and Deighton both taught.



Forrest Wright '04

Shannon Egan '07 • Grade 5 Teacher

started WES in second grade, graduated 2007 | graduated Georgetown Visitation 2011 | graduated University of Virginia 2015



Shannon Egan '07

FACT:

WES gave me such a passion for travel that I decided to combine it with my love for teaching and, after college, moved to Japan to work at Nagoya International School in Nagoya, Japan. WES also gave me a fascination with and a love for Art History! My favorite museum is the Phillips Collection in DC, where my favorite painting "Luncheon of the Boating Party" is hanging.

INSPIRATION:

The teachers I had are what really inspired me to become a teacher. My sixth-grade teacher, Ms. Berman, always made learning, especially Ancient Civilizations—so interactive, interesting, and FUN. Walking into her class was like stepping back in time. She gave me a lifelong passion for history that I still have today! I remember thinking "Wow, that is what I want to do for kids someday!"

Alexis Doyle '10 • Transition Teacher

started WES in Transition, graduated 2010 | graduated St. Andrew's Episcopal School 2014 | graduated American University 2018

FACT:

I have always had a strong passion and interest for reading and writing. When I was in eighth grade here at WES, I decided to combine those two passions, along with my passion for teaching, to write and publish my first children's book *Jesse and His New Baby Sister*, about teaching young children how to adjust to a new sibling in their family. I wrote and published two more children's books in high school and am working on my fourth. I hope to share my love of reading with my students and inspire them to be avid readers too.

INSPIRATION:

I always admired my WES teachers for their positive energy and dedication to their students. As someone who struggled greatly with math as a student, I saw how much my teachers cared about me and always went the extra mile to help me succeed, from countless tutoring sessions to giving me materials to practice at home. I was so grateful for what my teachers here at WES did for me, that I knew that someday I wanted to play that positive role in a child's life, as well.



Alexis Doyle '10

Alumni at Summer@WES



Lisa Byskov '17, Caroline Moore '17, Tom Ferguson, and Forrest Wright '04 near the waterslide • Class of 2017 grads Nate Zola and Evan Deobald



David Stevenson '18 and camper



Lachlan Bond '17 and Karim Elkassem '17 • Molly Adams, Emelia Isola '17, and Alexis Doyle '10



Conner Nickel '18 with brothers Jack and Tyler '22 • Juwan Reid '08, David Butturini '14, and Forrest Wright '04



Emma Whitaker '05 taught art at Summer@WES.



Class of 2017 alums Greg Jones, Zach Alexander, Evan Deobald, and Alex McMillan • Aidan Smith '16 with camper



Tendai Ball '18 with camper

Connecting with alumni friends!



WELCOME BACK PARTY & Alumni Reunion

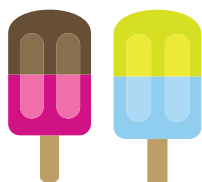
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Class of 2018 members, (l to r) Celia Cooper, Maddie Griffin, Isabella Dodro, Moniola Odunsi, Sabina Abdow, Maya Grebowsky, Clara Knott, Bradley Whiteway, Conner Nickel, and Alexander Mehta with Mehdi Elkassem



Joy Alycia Kramer '18 and Maya Grebowsky '18 • Miles Woodings '17, Holden Woodings '17, Christian Berko '17, Sean Lasner '17, and Zach Alexander '17
• Paul Marquardt '15 and his sister Geneva '17



Alexis Doyle '10 • Geneva Marquardt '17 and Lily Talieh '17 • Dan Freer '93 with wife Katie and daughters Charlotte '27, and Elisabeth



Bill Isola and Charles Sullivan '14 • Giovanna Massaro '18 and Katie Hopper • David Stevenson '18 and Chaplain Tim Kennedy • Lindsay Bratun '10 and Danny Vogelmann

ALUMNI REUNION

More than **45 ALUMNI** joined us for a fun reunion on January 11.
It's always great to catch up with everyone!



Front row sitting/kneeling (l to r): Nate Dennison, Mehdi Elkassem, Theo Sotoodehnia '18, Arjun Narayan '18, Josh Davidson '14, Christian Berko '17, Julian Haas '18, Celia Cooper '18, Randolph Kaminskas '17, Maddie Griffin '18, Clara Knott '18, Fiona Turnbull '18

Second Row (l to r): Isabella Dodro '18, Maya Grebowsky '18, Alex Davidson '16, Ibn Muhammad '16, Jackie Thornton, Isaiah Horne '18, Holden Woodings '17, Maddie Voth '17, Emelia Isola '17, Caitlin Lennon, Kim Bair, Ryan Kyle '15, Caroline Dickey '18, Margaret Hampe '18, Moniola Odunsi '18, Sabina Abdow '18, Emily Nelson '18

Third Row (l to r): Bill Isola, Patrick Moore '17, Tendai Ball '18, Ian Shaiyen '16, Christian Larson '17, Cole Montrose '17, Thomas Carney '17, David Stevenson '18, Geoffrey Shaiyen '16, Zach Alexander '18, Miles Woodings '17, Juwan Reid '08, David Procelli '02, Danny Vogelmann

Not pictured: Tayo Ball '17, Nick Ratliff '15, and Faris Woodings '15



David Procelli '02 and Bill Isola • Class of 2018 members: Clara Knott, Isaiah Horne, Fiona Turnbull, Emily Nelson, and Margaret Hampe • Kim Bair and Ryan Kyle '15 • Jackie Thornton and former 3B students: Holden Woodings '17, Sabina Abdow '18, Clara Knott '18, Patrick Moore '17, Zach Alexander '17, and (back row) Thomas Carney '17, and Ian Shaiyen '18

Class of 2014 Colleges

Congratulations to the Class of 2014! We have heard from the following alumni about their college choices and other plans. If we lack information about where you've landed, please send us an email: alumni@w-e-s.org. We love to hear from you!

Madison J. Bettencourt
Greensboro College
(soccer)

Ina Budina*
Marymount University

David Butturini*
University of Michigan

Georgia Currie*
Syracuse University

Josh Davidson*
Towson University

Jack Dueffert*
Loyola Marymount

Nick Gelos*
University of
St. Andrews
(Scotland)

Sofia González-Kosasky
University of Chicago

Anders Groeschel*
University of Maryland,
College Park

Cameron Harris*
Washington University

Jack Helmanis*
University of New
Hampshire

Aadil Husain
University of Maryland,
College Park

Oliver Johnson*
Colgate University

Becky Levinson
Brandeis University

Samantha Liggins*
Rutgers University

Parker Lotstein
University of Chicago

Grace Mahaffie*
New York University

Marcus Mahtemework*
Northeastern
University

Tom Mangan*
University of Pittsburgh

Anna-Sophia Massaro*
Bates College

Blaine Mengistu-Gunn*
American University

Brendan O'Donnell*
Loyola University of
Chicago

Lily Puchalla*
University of Mississippi

Lucy Reardon
Guilford College

Lawrence Redmond*
Emory University
(swimming)

Josie Roberts*
Harvard College

Charles Rubert*
McDaniel College

Athena Skoufias*
University of California
San Diego

Elen Stepanyan*
Washington & Lee
University
National Merit Scholar

Charles Sullivan*
Gap year; playing
lacrosse for Middlesex
Bears (MA)

Tayyaba Tareq*
University of Maryland

Claire van Stolk
Emory University

Case van Stolk
College of Wooster

Piers Watson
University of Utah

Ben Weinberger
University of Southern
California

Sean Weinberger
University of Southern
California

Elizabeth Wells*
Gap Year, Sewanee, the
University of the South
(fall 2019)

* WES graduate