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WHAT'S NEW?

by John Heaton, Headmaster

Those of us who inhabit educational institutions, governed as they are by the rhythms of the academic calendar, enjoy a unique experience of definite beginnings, middles, and endings. Few other vocations afford the clearly marked boundaries of seasonal change, and I'm not just talking about the weather.

Each year in late summer we return to our posts with renewed energy and optimism for the challenges of the coming term. Teachers fervently prepare their rooms and examine their rosters, eagerly awaiting the development of new relationships with a new classroom of young people. The fall semester is marked by aspirations for growth, as the students themselves once again get a fresh start and experience their school in a new way. Routine breaks and the holiday season have their own way of injecting energy into the student body.

By the time we round the corner into the second semester, parents, students and teachers alike can experience fatigue, but the achievement of concerts, plays, athletic events, club days, and senior thesis presentations all combine to nourish us through the spring. By the time graduation arrives, we are surely ready to take a longer break.

Folks often ask me, "So, are you ready for summer?" Of course I am, but not because I'm tired of school. I actually work year-round with a small summer staff that helps retool our campus and our curriculum. Teachers work also with professional development projects, conferences, and the occasional visit to campus.

Summer is a perfect time for reflection, offering enough mental space to consider what has been and what might be. Right now, however, I find myself not

quite ready to turn the page on the old year. New Covenant completed its 33rd year (my 26th!), a year that was so full of blessings and accomplishments that I'm not quite ready to move on.

First, I want to reflect with pride on the twenty-nine graduates we celebrated in May. It was arguably one of the most academically capable classes in the history of the school, collectively being accepted to 29 colleges and universities, and earning over \$2.2M in earned merit scholarships. I am proud of them to be sure, but that's not why I love them. I love them because of the persons they are clearly becoming, marked by good character, industriousness, and faith.

Second, I want to reflect with happiness on the remarkable co-curricular achievements we enjoyed outside of the classroom—numerous school records set in athletics, and not one, but two state championships in men's basketball and golf.



NCS Men's Varsity Basketball 2024 state champions.

Third, I want to reflect with gratitude on the generosity of our parents and friends who have responded to our appeal for the Permanent Things Campaign,



NCS Varsity Golf 2024 state champions.

which is now successfully concluding. This year the campaign culminated with the opening of an outdoor gym in The Dell, and with significant strengthening of the school's financial health and stability.

Fourth, I want to reflect with affection on the many graduates of New Covenant, whose stories continue, and which you will find documented in the Alumni section of this edition.

So before we turn our thoughts toward next year, join me in taking a moment to read and linger over the blessings that have been showered on us in year 33.

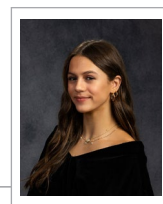
H O N O R A R I A



VIRGINIA MORSE

VALEDICTORIAN

In a crowded field of exceptional students this year's valedictorian, **Virginia Morse**, has demonstrated ability, superior drive, and sweet disposition in every aspect of life. In academics, she earned double gold cords for maintaining *summa cum laude* status, and received high honors on the National Latin Exam. She received the Senior Latin Award for her skill in the translation and transmission of various Latin texts. In athletics, she was a pillar on the varsity volleyball team, twice received the Gryphon Award for character, and was named co-captain her senior year. Additionally, she ran track and field. Despite experiencing several sports injuries, she did not allow her physical setbacks to prevent her from investing in the team and her teammates, as she modeled how to rehab well and remain hopeful. In co-curriculars, she was selected to serve in our student government system for two successive terms and as Head for House Canterbury, she gave thought and ingenuity to lead effectively. Within the House Council, she was the Vice-President. She has an unrelenting desire to make the best grades possible but is more driven to gain deep understanding of the wide world around her. She presses to achieve the highest level of skill possible, though not at the expense of her friends or her faith.

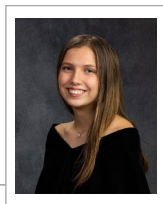


MARY GLENN MORSE

SALUTATORIAN

Mary Glenn Morse is a student whose academic career is marked by excellence. In the humanities and language arts, she applied herself diligently to reading, writing, and analysis. This year, she earned the distinction of highest honor for her thesis project. Throughout the project, she demonstrated her passion for the topic, diving deep and exploring scientific journals to increase her knowledge. Her defense was marked by deep knowledge as well as confidence and grace as she answered challenging questions. She also excels in math and science and is a natural mathematician, curious, and seeking to fully understand higher concepts. She is regarded among her classmates as the peer who can best explain difficult concepts and work through confounding problems. She was selected to participate in the American Mathematics Competition the past two years, an honor extended to the highest-performing math scholars at New Covenant. Her attention to detail has led her to excellence in the sciences as well. She is interested in understanding scientific principles and is not satisfied simply to learn the material—she obviously strove to appreciate the wonder of it. She has been a finalist and winner of the Poetry Recital and is an accomplished actress and performer. Additionally, she is an accomplished gymnast and will compete at the collegiate level in gymnastics at Presbyterian College. She is known for being a faithful friend and is humble and kind. Finally, she is spiritually strong, and demonstrates her love for God to both teachers and fellow students.

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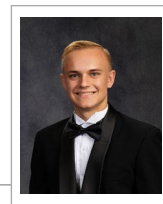


NICOLE CLARK

EXCELLENCE IN CLASSICAL LANGUAGE

As a Classical Christian School, New Covenant offers its students the unique opportunity to study ancient Latin and Greek, giving them insight into our cultural and linguistic past. In Latin, students translate and discuss excerpts of Cicero's speeches, Caesar's *De Bello Gallico*, Virgil's *Aeneid*, the Vulgate Bible (John I), and the Apostles' Creed. In Greek, we translate and discuss texts from the Gospels, the letters of St. Paul, the Apocrypha, and the Nicene and Chalcedonian Creeds. The classical languages program includes texts that have defined orthodox Christology for more than 1700 years, have provided the basis for the political liberty that eventually flourished in the West, and have left their mark in our culture within art, music, and modern literature.

The Classical Language Award is granted to a senior who has accumulated five years of high-school-level classical languages. Through their years of Latin and Greek, this student has demonstrated competency, dedication, and facility in the study of ancient languages, as reflected in her grade average, her overall reading ability, and her curiosity for understanding the ancient world and its literature. This year's Classical Languages Award recipient is **Nicole Clark**.



NOAH CALDWELL

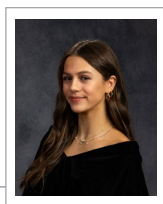
EXCELLENCE IN FINE ARTS AWARD

Skilled artists are invitational in their craftsmanship, encouraging others to see, hear, and interact with the world as they perceive it. To successfully communicate their own perceptions, artists must gain access to the heart, the residence of reflection, emotion, and desire. This is no easy task, for they must first be moved themselves, with deep appreciation for their subject, commitment to close study, and dedication to development of their craft.

The recipient of this year's Fine Arts Award possesses these traits. He is an excellent musician that excels at difficult tasks, teaching others to love his art as much as he does. On the stage he transformed himself into whatever the script called for. Perhaps the greatest aspect of the recipient is that he does all of this with a servant's heart, able to set aside his own desires for the good of the group. He was the director backstage during *Mary Poppins*, was part of the two-man "pulley system" that elevated Mary up the chimney and was also positioned backstage to catch Mary as she sailed off the roof. Apart from his service backstage, his beautiful voice helped set the tone for our performance. He will attend the University of Lynchburg studying Pipe Organ. This year's Fine Arts Award recipient is **Noah Caldwell**.

The 'Excellence Awards' span the various disciplines in Classical Languages, Fine Arts, Mathematics/Science and Humanities. They are presented to members of the senior class who have, over their high school careers, demonstrated both an aptitude for that discipline, and an interest that sets them apart from their peers in the minds of the faculty.

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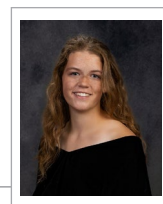


MARY GLENN MORSE

EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCES AWARD

In the Liberal Arts tradition, the New Covenant School of Rhetoric has a comprehensive math and science program, offering eleven high school mathematics and science courses. These are ancient terms—mathematics and science—the first from the Greek word *mathema* and the second from the Latin *scientia*, both meaning knowledge or that which we come to know. Plato stated that “the study of mathematics leads the mind toward pure reason and cultivates the true love of wisdom.” We affirm this as we present the Excellence in Mathematics and Sciences Award each year to recognize a student who has consistently demonstrated both an interest in and a keen ability with these subjects.

This year’s recipient of the award has shown an interest in pursuing scientific opportunities. As early as middle school, she was pursuing summer camps involving leadership and solving real-world STEM problems. Her work in math and science has consistently shown attention to detail and keen analysis. Her curiosity has driven her to solve the problems set before her, a hallmark of a student who is truly pursuing “mathema” and “scientia.” This year’s recipient of the Mathematics and Science Award is our Salutatorian, **Mary Glenn Morse**.



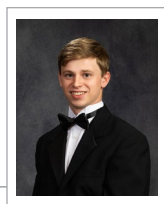
ABIGAIL ROSE

EXCELLENCE IN HUMANITIES AWARD

The English poet Matthew Arnold wrote that a superior education is one that introduces people to “the best that has been thought and said.” At New Covenant, we aspire to this, setting before our students examples of excellence and incentives to noble action. We inspire them with the elevating power of the classical Christian tradition, the love for which sharpens moral vision and forms strong character. The Humanities Award is given to the student who exhibits an extraordinary delight and talent in the study of literature, history and theology.

This year, the Humanities Award recipient is a student who has been an outstanding scholar of the written and spoken word. She is not only a voracious reader; she has an appetite for books of great depth. She regularly demonstrates her impressive intellectual tenacity in daily class discussions. During Harkness seminars, she does not shy away from inquiring more deeply and often willingly sacrifices her break to further pursue a line of inquiry. Not surprisingly, this student earned Honors Distinction for her senior thesis. During Senior Thesis, she was in her natural element: busily typing away with sources scattered around her, each one containing numerous Post-it notes and copious annotations. She is motivated by a great desire to know. In fact, when asked in J-Term to design a monster that represented her greatest fear, she drew a monster of ignorance. She actively seeks wisdom and embodies one of our stated goals in the portrait of a graduate: she is “intellectually vigorous, seeking to know God, self, and the world.” This year’s recipient of the Humanities Award is **Abigail Rose**.

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CALEB MCCORMICK

ARETE AWARD

The New Covenant Schools' Arete Award has been established in honor and memory of one of the founding faculty members.

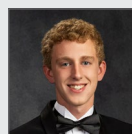
The Greek word *arete* (pronounced a RET ta) means "virtue" or "excellence," in particular excellence in those qualities that make something distinctive. Thus, the arete of a cello is the optimal beauty of the sounds a cello can make; the arete of a horse is the power and speed unique to that animal; the arete of a human being is virtue and wisdom. What is the arete of a New Covenant student? The Arete Award is given to a senior who, in the opinion of the faculty, best exemplifies New Covenant's "Portrait of the Graduate." Such a student is prudent in speech and action; is generous and rich in good works; is a lover of truth, goodness, and beauty; is eloquent with the written and spoken word; is spiritually strong, looking to God in faith, hope, and love; is intellectually vigorous, seeking to know God, self, and the world; and encounters success with humility and failure with confidence.

This year's recipient leads by example. Dependable, diligent, loyal, and hardworking, he wholeheartedly pursues assigned tasks. His charitable spirit has led him to serve those less privileged within his church community, and he finds joy in maintaining relationships with them long after his physical labor is no longer needed. Among his peers, he can be counted on to organize weekend camping adventures or simply engage in helping a peer better understand difficult course content. For his example of virtue and wisdom, this year's Arete Award recipient is **Caleb McCormick**.

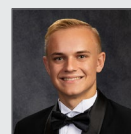
SENIOR ACADEMIC AWARDS

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

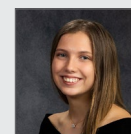
Distinction of a GPA of 4.50 or higher for career.



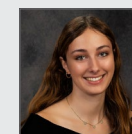
Beau Brady



Noah Caldwell



Nicole Clark



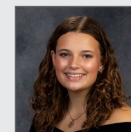
Adora Hampton



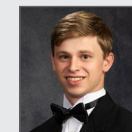
Ally Horne



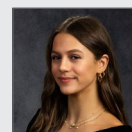
Saria Hostetler



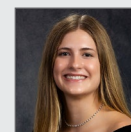
Olivia Kidd



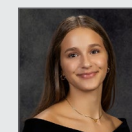
Caleb McCormick



Mary Glenn Morse



Virginia Morse



Brielle Walker

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

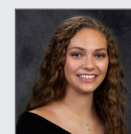
Distinction of a GPA between 4.20 and 4.50 for career.



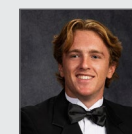
Claire Copenhaver



Diego Leal



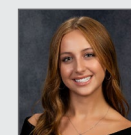
Sarah Robert



Andrew Rogers



Abigail Rose



Charlotte Seay

H O N O R A R I A

HONORS FOR 2023-2024 YEAR SCHOOL OF RHETORIC

THE HEADMASTER'S LIST

Summa cum laude

Caleb McCormick, 12	Mary Glenn Morse, 12	Olivia Kidd, 12	Diego Leal, 12
Adora Hampton, 12	Virginia Morse, 12	Brielle Walker, 12	Ally Horne, 12
Nicole Clark, 12	Noah Caldwell, 12	Saria Hostetler, 12	Abigail Rose, 12
Andrew Rogers, 12	Beau Brady, 12	Claire Copenhaver, 12	Sarah Robert, 12
James Brophy, 11	John Brophy, 11	Corey Hackenbracht, 11	Cora Helm, 11
Ellie Jacobs, 11	Melia Leitner, 11	Jenna Ng, 11	Brey Welch, 11
Declund Stevenson, 11	Graden Bolton, 10	Rusty Hooks, 10	Enoch Tan, 10
Ashe Smith, 10	Olivia Fries, 9	Ian Gill, 9	Embry Carlton, 9
Caden Smith, 9	Emma Haupricht, 9	Ruby Helm, 9	Ellia Ramsey, 9
Charlotte McCarty, 9	Joel Ng, 9	Joseph Robert, 9	Elora Williams, 9
Avery Harrison, 9	Charlotte Libbey, 9		

THE DEAN'S LIST

Magna cum laude

Charlotte Seay, 12	Jack Duncan, 11	Jocelyn Walker, 11	John Scruggs, 11
Lizzy Deneen, 11	Noah McCormick, 11	Lizzie Bryant, 11	Ellie Bonebright, 11
Graham Kowalski, 11	Emma Fritz, 11	Skye Heap, 10	Charlotte Morse, 10
Breezy Knight, 10	Walt Gill, 10	Andre Frenchik, 10	Grace Brady, 10
Alicia Kenny, 10	Ryleigh Taylor, 10	Olivia Hostetler, 10	Ella Dudley, 10
Judah Weber, 9	Michael Seckman, 9	Journey Lancaster, 9	Alex Fuhr, 9
Hannah Edwards, 9			

Cum laude

Daniel VanVoorhis, 12	Kate McCurley, 12	Colin Mather, 12	Mae Jacobs, 12
Luke Libbey, 12	Irelyn Uminn, 12	Abby Burton, 11	Lucas Gorman, 11
Grace Hendricksen, 11	Micah Xayavong, 10	Sarah McCurley, 10	Eva Andrade, 10
Alara Gezen, 10	Rosa East, 10	Ayla Gezen, 10	Stone Haibach, 10
Emma Kate Lovell, 10	Luke Cordes, 10	Kylie Garnett, 9	Elle Rose, 9
John-Paul Gauger, 9	Nick Richmond, 9		

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Summa cum laude

John Sorenson, 8	Peter Brophy, 8	Elle Vollmer, 8	Naomi Rigg, 8
Charis Durand, 8	Kendall Morrell, 8	Elena Andrade, 8	Ava Boettger, 8
Christian Hensen, 8	Lucy Kirshberger, 8	Claire Reynolds, 7	Bryce Hampton, 7
Idella Olmsted, 7	Luke Ancona, 7		

Magna cum laude

Jojo Deyo, 8	Addie Ruhl, 8	Joseph Lee, 8	Leila Kenny, 8
Emma Christian, 8	Alaina Hilton, 8	Charlie Kershaw, 8	Micah Harrison, 7
Judah Durand, 7	Gwen Kesler, 7	Eleanore Seckman, 7	Mitchell Rogers, 7

Cum laude

Reese Mahle, 8	Sol Knapton, 8	Xander Arbaugh-Turner, 8	Kate Cordes, 8
Josiah Thornhill, 8	Wyatt Gill, 7		

HALL FITNESS COMMONS

The Hall Fitness Commons and Outdoor Gym was completed and dedicated in September 2023. This construction phase was the third and final of our Permanent Things Campaign and was made possible by significant gifts. Board member **Nancy Hall** and her husband, past board member **Warner Hall**, generously led this effort with a magnanimous gift that ensured the completion and success of the rather difficult construction in the Dell, gifted in honor of their three daughters, **Katie Harris-'08**, **Rachel Abrahamsen-'11**, and **Abby Rives-'18**. In addition, **Phylis Workman** contributed funds that secured the installation of very high-end exercise equipment designed for outdoor installations. Students have enjoyed using the 26-station workout apparatus as well as an outdoor basketball court and tennis wall. Discus and shot put stations were also completed for our track and field teams. Finally the large Greek steps were covered in colorful shade flags.

Key contributors celebrate at the dedication ceremony on September 8, 2023.



(Below) The facilities and equipment are now a part of our student physical fitness programs.



(Above) Pouring concrete drew an impromptu gallery. (Below) Middle schoolers testing their strength.

Students and families try out the workout equipment at the dedication ceremony.

MARION PATTERSON RETIRES AFTER 27 YEARS OF SERVICE

By John Heaton, Headmaster

The following are excerpts from the Headmaster's remarks at a retirement celebration for Marion Patterson.

We knew this day would come. I have been staving it off for years, but inevitably, here we are. For several years Marion and I have talked about what New Covenant will look like when neither of us is here. While I am not retiring today or tomorrow, nevertheless we are all sensing that the school is slowly undergoing a generational change. That is not something to be avoided; rather, prudence dictates that it is something to be embraced, something for which we are to prepare. And we have.

First, a memory or two. Just before the hot summer of 1998, my predecessor, Robert Littlejohn, who founded New Covenant, announced his departure to return to the collegiate setting. The school immediately experienced a drop in enrollment from 170 to about 135. The “new guy” had not been announced—in fact, had not even been located. As school closed for the spring term, the board found Marion, herself concluding her very first year of association with the school, gave her the checkbook and the keys to the building, and said, “You’re in charge.” Little did they know that they could have just hired her as the Head of School and the place would have been just fine.

I arrived that July with little feel for the composition of the faculty and staff. Actually, there was no staff, just faculty. As everyone can testify, Marion’s understated personality, low profile, and unassuming manner actually obscured her gifts and talents from my notice. She’s not loud and flashy and doesn’t seek

her own. It took time, but I slowly began to awaken to the fact that this person, slightly my senior, was like an older sister, one who possessed a keen prudence—that is, a sixth sense of knowing the right thing to do in a given situation—along with a deep well of wisdom. It took me longer than it should have to realize this.



As her gifts became more and more visible to me, I began to rely more heavily upon her. There were few loads that she could not bear. Truth be told, she has carried very heavy responsibilities for years—heavier than they should have been: managing and supporting faculty, re-hiring when necessary, developing curriculum, taking massive amounts of time to deal with students, interviewing families in the admission

process, leading the school through accreditation—the list goes on and on. Her favorite hour of the day, however, was teaching literature to her middle school students. She did all this while raising three children and living through the sometimes complicated world that pastors’ wives inhabit.

She has many remarkable abilities, among which are:

- An uncanny ability to keep a clear desk and an uncluttered office;
- A distinctly persuasive tone of voice when uttering the following words: “Is this something you really want to do?”
- Spot-on perception when breaking down new faculty interviews: “I heard him say such-and-such

three times in that conversation.” (Meanwhile, I hadn’t heard it at all, which is why I never hire anyone without Marion being part of the interview process);

- Most common statement when things are really hectic: “I can come in if you need me . . . ” or, alternately, “I can stay if you need me . . . ”
- Most common statement when sensing reluctance or indecision on my part: “I can just do that for you.”

The most remarkable thing I would add, however, is the smiling Providence that kept us working together.

I have reflected over these years and stand amazed that two people would have the good fortune of working so long together as colleagues. She and I both know how rare this is anywhere in the business world, but especially in school contexts. Together we have enjoyed a unique relationship that has contributed mightily to the success of New Covenant, and to the benefit of now hundreds of students and graduates. It is likely that neither of us saw this arrangement coming, but I am grateful that it happened.

Succession plans are not to be avoided, but embraced. I always told Marion that she needed to give me three years’ notice before she left. She did that, dropping hints every so often in the midst of conversations about many other things. Two years ago as I approached my 60th birthday, I reminded the board that the school would not have Marion or me forever. I mentioned that in the next ten years

it is likely that the school would lose over 50 years of combined leadership experience. The board took note, and got busy writing a succession plan.

The plan called for significant funding to accelerate the development of leadership from our own ranks. While the plan largely anticipated a change in the Head of School, the preparations were more than adequate for what actually transpired. Late in the fall of 2023, Academic Dean of the School of Rhetoric, **Scott McCurley**, informed me of his invitation to lead another organization in Lynchburg. In roughly the same time period, Marion became firm in what heretofore had been “thought experiments” about

her departure. In two short months, we were losing nearly 50 years of leadership. We were ready, however, and in less than 30 days we had tapped the new leadership that will take the school forward for many years to come.

Working with Marion these years has been one of the greatest blessings in my professional life. I know that as I grow old and eventually retire, I will look back on these decades for

the distinct blessing they have been. I recognize how fortunate I have been to have Marion as a colleague, but I know that as time goes on, this will only be further magnified in my mind. From day to day, it is easy to take others for granted and overlook their contributions. I have often done so in her case, but our success at New Covenant has been in large part due to her constancy, wisdom and friendship. We wish her many blessings as she pursues other interests in her retirement.



New Covenant to Expand Student Support Program in 2024

In a significant development, New Covenant will offer an expanded program for student support beginning in the 2024 term. This program was created in response to student needs, and was researched and customized to New Covenant's unique academic approach over the last year by **Marion Patterson**, fulfilling a pivotal goal in the school's strategic plan.

The initiative calls for a Director of Student Support Services who will identify, plan for, and provide services to students in need of support across the grades K-12. **Amee Newsome**, who has taught in our Grammar School since 2017 and has completed the Master's Degree in Education, will become the director of the expanded program. This summer she will prepare for implementation in the fall term. Mrs. Newsome has already been at work reviewing student achievement, grades, and teacher observations for all students rising to grades 1-4 to identify student needs.

She will be joined by **Matthew Hunter**, who holds the MA in Teaching (Special Ed), and who has six years of experience in the field. He will serve students in grades 1-4, while **Sharon Sireci** will continue to support kindergarten students each day. For students in grades 1-2, Mr. Hunter will provide small-group and individual support as needed, delivering extra instruction whenever it is helpful, even if no specific diagnosis or history of struggle has been established.

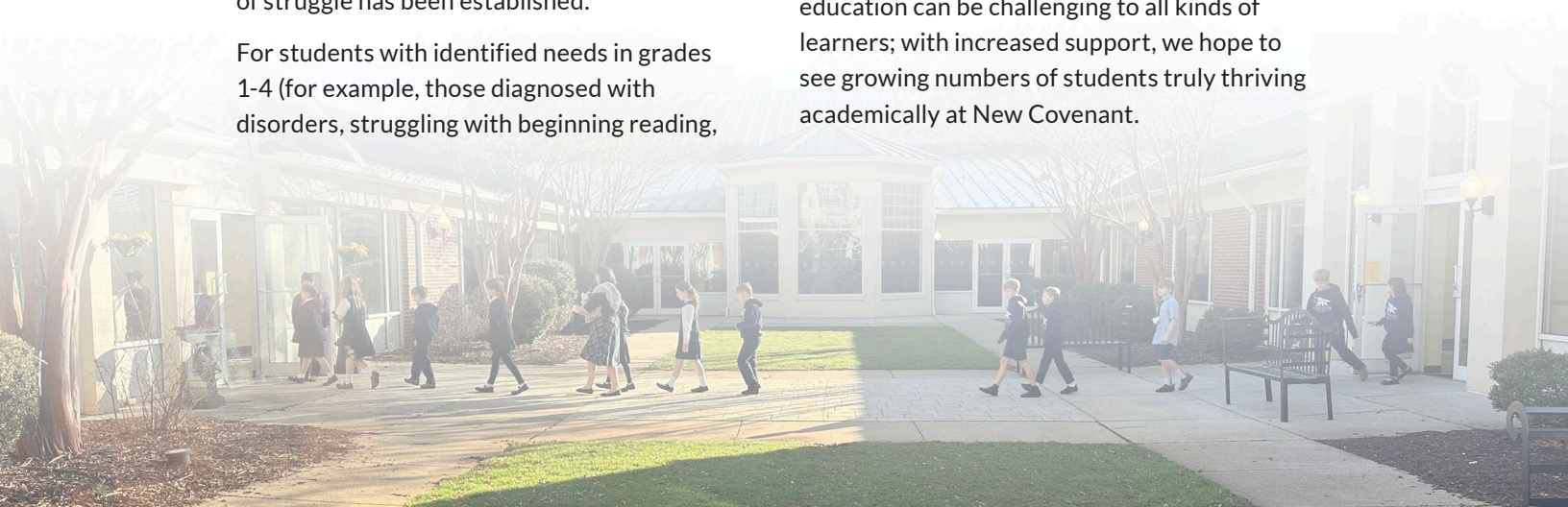
For students with identified needs in grades 1-4 (for example, those diagnosed with disorders, struggling with beginning reading,

in need of intervention in math or reading), Mrs. Newsome will:

- write plans for services;
- with Mr. Hunter, implement service plans during the school day whenever possible, in small group or one-on-one sessions;
- work with parents to understand their child's service plans;
- monitor the success of students with plans quarterly and adjust as needed;
- when additional support is needed, will help parents navigate broader services through the local school system or through other external providers.

In the Middle School, Mrs. Newsome will support the Principal to build on the services provided in previous years by **Dr. Erin Uminn**. To receive services in grades 5 and above, students will require a diagnosis, which could include medical diagnosis of ADHD, other medical needs, anxiety, or learning disabilities. She will update support plans already on file and create new plans as needed. The new team will work similarly with high school students as they may be referred.

The goal of these services is to provide more support for students when teachers identify areas of struggle or where appropriate intervention may be indicated. Classical education can be challenging to all kinds of learners; with increased support, we hope to see growing numbers of students truly thriving academically at New Covenant.



GRATIA

HONOR ROLL OF DONORS

The following list of donors recognizes those who have given to New Covenant Schools during the current school year (June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024). Our sincere gratitude is extended to the Board of Directors, our parents, grandparents, faculty, staff, and friends for their generosity.

The total amount raised from all campaigns below is \$658,275.

2023-24 ANNUAL FUND GOAL: \$100,000 | RAISED: \$91,390

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GOAL: \$50,000 | RAISED: \$50,450

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CHANGES IN BOARD, FACULTY & STAFF FOR 2023-24

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Davidson Morse

Davidson Morse will be leaving the faculty of New Covenant to continue his duties as the Minister at All Saints Church, the affiliate parish of the school. He was invited by the parish as its full-time pastor in June 2023, but he continued on for one more year in the role of Chaplain. He is not stepping away fully, but will maintain a seat on the board of the school in the role of School Warden. This board seat fulfills the task of serving as the liaison between the school and the Diocese with which it is affiliated.



Christy Brenning

Christy Brenning will step aside as Instructor in Mathematics having served since 2016. She is taking a well-deserved break from the classroom to pursue interests as a data analyst for Liberty University.



Katie Sakai

Katie Sakai, the Director of Alumni Affairs and Instructor in Latin and Rhetoric, will take a leave of absence for at least one year.

WELCOME



Jonnieanna Groves

Pre-K: This year the “COVID babies” turned four, and the demand for preK among student siblings doubled from the normal 15 to 30. This led to the formation of a second section of preschool, for which we hired two more Assistant Teachers. **Jonnieanna Groves (Ben-1st)** holds a BS in Government and Public Administration and has previously served Plantation Christian Preschool in Florida. She attends Calvary Chapel in Lynchburg. **Missy Phelps** holds the BS Degree in Elementary Education from Liberty University and is a New Covenant mother to **Isaac (6th)**. She has taught across elementary school grades in Owego Elementary School and in the International Christian School in Seoul, Korea. Mrs. Groves and Mrs. Phelps will be serving as assistants to **Linda Harris** and **Lauren Clark**.



Missy Phelps



Serena Liu

Serena Liu will become an Instructor in the Grammar School. Mrs. Liu (pronounced **LE** o) holds a Bachelor of Science in Religion and a Masters Degree in Education (Teaching and Learning). She has been affiliated with New

Covenant both as a mother (**Daniel-1st**) and as a Special Education teaching assistant in the Grammar School for one year.



Matthew Hunter

Matthew Hunter has served as the Assistant Basketball coach at New Covenant, helping the men’s varsity team win a state championship in the 2024 season. Mr. Hunter now expands his presence by becoming the school’s Head Basketball Coach. When not in the gym, Mr. Hunter will join the faculty in the new Student Support Program, assisting **Amee Newsome** and our Divisional Leadership with students who need accommodations or other academic plans. Mr. Hunter holds the BS in Pastoral Leadership, the MA in Sports Chaplaincy, and the MA in Teaching (Special Education), and has taught in SPED programs at Sandusky Middle School, Rivermont School, Staunton River High School, and Appomattox County Middle and High School. His range of education and broad talents will be felt through multiple programs at New Covenant. Matthew and his wife, Madison, have three young children, **Leslie-4**, **Blakeleigh-2**, and **Oakley-6mos**.



Kyra Marken

Kyra Marken rejoins the faculty in the School of Dialectic after two years of service as the chair of the English Department at Liberty’s Online Academy (K-12) and five years of teaching abroad in Bucharest, Romania where she was the secondary school coordinator at Bucharest Christian Academy. Prior to that Ms. Marken served as Instructor in Literature in the School of Rhetoric from 2010–2017 and an advisor on the senior thesis capstone project. We are pleased that she has returned. Miss Marken holds the MA in English from Liberty University, and is an extremely capable and caring teacher.



Theresa Daly

Theresa Daly will join the faculty in the School of Dialectic as an instructor in mathematics. She attended Liberty University where she earned the BS in Special Education in 2002 and taught language arts and science in Appomattox County Schools. Theresa has also had a thriving tutoring business in the Lynchburg area working with a variety of students in many areas, but particularly in math, which is her passion. “When I teach, I feel God’s pleasure.” She can often be found happily “geeking out” over new ways to teach challenging math concepts and listening to math podcasts. Theresa and her husband Mark

T R A N S I T I O N S

are members at Calvary Chapel and have five children, **Nathan-21, Levi-19, Maryann-18, Norah-17, and Karli-15.**



Juette Renalds

Juette Renalds (class of '19) will join the faculty in the School of Dialectic teaching science and Latin while also teaching Latin II in the School of Rhetoric. He will also serve in the athletic department supporting the Athletic Director and coaching basketball and lacrosse. Mr.

Renalds is well-known at New Covenant, having attended the school himself from kindergarten through high school. During his student days he consistently achieved academic honors and notable school records in basketball and lacrosse (see banners in the Fieldhouse!). Mr. Renalds holds the BA in Economics from the University of Tennessee, and played football for two seasons at Maryville College.



Kevin Rhea

Kevin Rhea will join the faculty in the School of Rhetoric as an instructor in mathematics. Mr. Rhea holds the BS in Mathematics and the MDiv from Liberty University. For the last two years he has taught math at Rustburg High School, where he has been very effective in the classroom. He describes his faith journey from

a nominal Christian family, through a period of interest in the “new atheist” movement, and finally to a full embrace of Christ culminating in his baptism on Easter 2018. He and his wife Emma attend Church of the Good Shepherd.



Lauren Helm

Lauren Helm will join the administration as the Director of Guidance. Mrs. Helm (**Owen, class of '22; Cora-12th; Ruby-10th**) is a New Covenant mom and holds the BA in English from VA Tech, and the Master of Education in Librarianship from Longwood University. She homeschooled her children for many years and

has held the position of Library Media Specialist at Paul Munro Elementary School since 2020.

INTERNAL TRANSITIONS



Marion Patterson

This year New Covenant celebrated the retirement of **Marion Patterson**, the Grammar School Principal, who has served the school since 1997 (see article, page 7). Her 27 years have been a remarkable achievement and an example to all who have worked with her. She will remain with New Covenant in a very part-

time capacity assisting with admissions and student testing.



Scott McCurley

We also congratulate former Academic Dean, **Scott McCurley** on his installation as the Executive Director of the Lynchburg Boys and Girls Club. These two transitions created space for rebalancing our staff. Both positions have been filled internally with faculty members who were developed for leadership positions.



Bridges Spiva

Bridges Spiva has served New Covenant for fifteen years and will succeed Marion Patterson as the Grammar School Principal. She holds the BA in Human Communications, the MA in Public Administration, and the MA in Classical School Leadership. She and her husband Jay have two sons, **Wagner (class of '20)** and

Waylon (class of '23).



Erin Uminn

Erin Uminn has served New Covenant for ten years in the School of Dialectic and will succeed Scott McCurley as the Principal of the School of Rhetoric. She holds the BS in Multidisciplinary Studies, English and Psychology, the MA in Human Services, and the PhD in Education, Curriculum Design. She and her husband Will

have had three children at New Covenant: **Elise (class of '22), Irelyn (class of '24), and William (6th).**



Lukas Stock

Lukas Stock is an Instructor in theology and Greek in the School of Rhetoric. He will continue in this duty, but will also take on additional responsibilities as the School Chaplain.



Eliza Olson

Eliza Olson is currently the Director of Parent Relations, a position that she has maintained in a part-time capacity. This fall she will expand her service to full-time, overseeing the lobby desk and its staff and taking responsibility for parent services and event management.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Mike Lovell

Mike Lovell will rotate off the board of directors, having served two three-year terms. Mr. Lovell has served in the profiled seat of “attorney.” He has served in this capacity since before COVID, and on countless occasions brought his gifts to bear. During his tenure he was a leading advocate for the aggressive

initiative we called the Permanent Things Campaign, which resulted in the expansion of the chapel, the construction of the Epic Hallway, and the development of the Dell, an

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outdoor exercise facility on the back campus. His wife Abi continues to serve as one of our staff nurses in the clinic.



Court Shipman

Court Shipman joins the board of directors in its class of 2027. Mr. Shipman is a staff attorney for Liberty University and has served as board member for the Downtown Lynchburg Association. He holds the BS in Finance from Virginia Tech and the JD from Liberty University School of Law. He is married to Megan, and two of their four boys attend New Covenant (**George-2nd** and **Jack-1st**). He and Megan are expecting their fifth child soon.



Dustin Miller

Dustin Miller joins the board of directors in its class of 2027. Mr. Miller holds the Doctorate in Education (Administration and Leadership), and worked for ten years as the Superintendent for Liberty University Online Academy. He currently works in the field of technology in CSuite Management for a number of private companies. He and his wife Crystal have three children (**Rosalie-1st**, **Ruby-K**, and **Levi-6mos**).

MILESTONES



Stacey Basten

New Covenant celebrates faculty and staff members whose years of service are recognized and appreciated. **Stacey Basten** has completed five years of service at the lobby desk, answering phones, fielding questions, and directing campus guests to their destinations. As the front desk operator, she is the public face of the school, and interacts with nearly every parent or visitor who comes to campus. She is the mother of **Britton (9th)**.



April Andrade

April Andrade, assistant to the school's Chief Financial Officer, has completed five years of service. April has brought talent to the business office as an accountant and CPA. She and her husband Bruno have four New Covenant students (**Eva-11th**, **Elena-9th**, **Emilia-7th**, **Elisabeth-5th**).



Michael Dunaway

Michael Dunaway has completed five years of service as Instructor in Art across the grades from kindergarten through the School of Rhetoric. In his position he has not only provided outstanding instruction in various mediums, but has also been the sponsor of the

annual art show in which his students display their amazing work. He and his wife Stephanie are the parents of (**Ella-6th**). Michael is a talented artist who pursues his craft in and out of the school, and has done much to remind us that we all need beauty in our lives.



Mark Dunne

Mark Dunne has completed ten years of service as Instructor in the School of Dialectic where he has taught mathematics and science. A native of Ireland, Mr. Dunne completed his university work in engineering at Virginia Tech and chose teaching out of his love for the school and for young people. He is married to **Bee Bartell Dunne (class of '10)**.



Kyle Alexander

Kyle Alexander has completed ten years of service both as Athletic Director and as an Instructor in physical education. Mr. Alexander has held positions in many schools across Central Virginia including Fork Union Military Academy, Virginia Episcopal School, and the University of Lynchburg. He joined our athletic staff and contributed significantly to the construction of the Workman-Hall Fitness Center and the Outdoor Gym in the Dell, and in the development of new programs including cross country, tennis, swimming, and golf.

CONTINUING EDUCATION



Ethan Roberts

Ethan Roberts, Instructor in the School of Rhetoric and the Panache Players Drama Director, will attend summer professional development in England. Mr. Roberts was awarded the coveted spot for an all-expenses-paid study abroad. For three and a half weeks the program instructs adult learners on how to teach Shakespeare by immersing the teachers in a program of writing, reading, and performing. The best part is that it takes place at Shakespeare's Globe. He will be attending from mid-June and will return mid-July. The summer teachers' seminar is sponsored by The English Speaking Union, founded in 1918, with branches in the United States. New Covenant Schools has participated in the Union's competitions for the past two years. Looking ahead, Mr. Roberts says, "I hope to bring back great practical experience that I can apply to my yearly teaching of Shakespeare."



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2002

Noelle Moore Funk and her husband Daryl, who works as the sitting judge for the Warren County Circuit Court, have made their home in scenic Front Royal, Virginia. They have a 13-year-old daughter, Marie, who was recently granted the opportunity to serve as a Page in the House of Delegates in Richmond. While Noelle has worked in a variety of areas including the legal and foster care systems over the years, she has most recently been teaching Middle School Logic, coaching soccer, and teaching the toddler class at the local AWANA programs. She and her daughter also volunteer at the local SPCA. Next, she aims to become a Creative Arts Therapist and start a nonprofit to help children find their voice even when they have no words.



Truly Tyler Pompei and her husband Sam have been married since 2015. They have two children: Providence and Amias. She is currently working as a consultant at Accenture, focused on sales and commerce business transformation and system implementations.

2010



Matthew Shaughnessy and his wife Kelsey are blessed with three young boys:

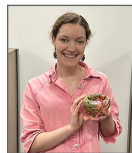
Ridley, Leyton and Lennon. They have made Roanoke their home for the last nine years, where they are trying to keep up with their children and enjoy playing pickleball. Recently Matthew started an advertising firm, Colo Media, where he provides digital marketing services to various businesses and organizations.



Jacqueline Hilary Kline Timmer lives in Lynchburg and is active in local politics,

currently running for Lynchburg City Council in the November election cycle. She has also started a political non-profit, the American Voters Alliance, which works to increase political engagement among voters.

2011



Ruth Bettis Miller works as a project manager at Freese & Nichols in Fort

Worth, Texas. She and her family live in a barndominium that her husband built. In her spare time, she has been learning to blow glass and working toward reading the Bible all the way through this year.



Drew Neiderer and his wife Julie, who is beginning her 7th year teaching P.E. at

New Covenant Schools, welcomed John Michael Neiderer to the family in January as their most junior Gryphon. Joining big sister Francie. Drew continues serving as a Lead Wealth Advisor at Selective Wealth Management. He also remains involved at New Covenant, serving as a Senior Thesis Advisor, teaching a personal finance intensive to rising seniors, and cheering on Gryphon athletics.

2012

Taylor Overos began working at a Department of Defense Federal Civilian consulting firm as a Joint Venture Manager. Her husband, Henry Overos, successfully defended his dissertation in October on religion and politics and has earned his PhD. He began work at an Applied Research Laboratory at the University of Maryland in January. They are expecting their first baby, a boy, in August 2024.

2013



Elizabeth Erhartic, who has two Bachelor's Degrees in Business and

English and her Master's Degree in Commercial Aviation, has been working at the Charlotte Airport Business Office since 2016, where she

currently operates as the Civil Rights Specialist. She leads the Charlotte Wonderful Group, which is a collective of travelers on a mission to make travel better for all women. As she works toward starting a new business in the travel industry, she continues to explore a variety of US states (Colorado and Florida) and countries including Mexico and Italy.

Laura Williamson graduated with her Master of Science in Global Health from Northwestern University.

2014



Galen Creekmore and Jessie Creekmore (2016) are enjoying raising

their family in this season of life. Their daughter Lainey is almost two, and they are soon welcoming their second child. Jessie is a registered nurse at Virginia Baptist Hospital in the neonatal intensive care nursery. Galen is working for Central Virginia Electric Cooperative and their subsidiary, Firefly Fiber Broadband as their Government Affairs and Key Accounts representative. He enjoys his job, as it has allowed him to travel to Richmond and DC, while also staying close to home and interfacing with local governments and business owners. He also still enjoys being outdoors during his time off and connects with his fellow alumni often.



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The Class of 2014 graduates met to celebrate one of their own. Stephen Halfinger is engaged to Andrea Perla and will be married in October. Pictured from left to right: **Jacob Neiderer, Galen Creekmore, Stephen Halfinger, Jack Hindman, Matthew Widmeyer, Freddie Harris, Jonathan Harris and Wesley Price.**



Wesley Price was promoted to Senior Product Designer at the data analytics company PublicRelay.

Jonathan Widmeyer and his wife, Casey, will be moving to Charleston, SC where they bought a home. Jonathan graduated from Medical College of Virginia and will begin his orthopedic residency at the Medical University of South Carolina in July. Their first baby, a girl, is due in July.

2015

Emily Kalafian received her M.F.A. in 2022. She works as an Interior Designer at Baskervill in Richmond.



Ethan Thornburg started a new architectural design job as a technical designer at Gensler, one of the

premier architecture firms in the world. He works in the critical facilities practice area working on government projects, mission critical projects, data centers, higher education and commercial projects. He was engaged to Lori North in December, and they are planning their wedding for next year.

Anna Gray Owens Vaught is working as a Women's Outreach Coordinator at Proven Ministries.

Trey Weaver is living in Atlanta with his new wife Tori, and completed his third year in seminary at Reformed Theological Seminary Atlanta. He is currently working as a Pastoral Intern and Youth Director at Smyrna Presbyterian Church.

Olivia Plant Zema married Anthony Zema in May 2023.

2016



Rebekah Borah is now working as a professional ballroom dancer in the Washington metropolitan area.



Teagan Cooper is working as a Video Producer for children's media at Lifeway

Christian Resources this year. She also wrote a short film that won awards at several film festivals.



Sierra Witt Ohrn graduated as a medical doctor from the Liberty University School

of Medicine and will begin her residency in Emergency Medicine at the Cleveland Clinic. She married her husband Caleb Ohrn in 2023, whom she met while living in Texas completing her hospital rotations.

Rebecca Pickard is working remotely as a marketer for B&H Academic. She is also serving as a researcher of Lynchburg's early Quaker history for the Southern River Meeting House. She is engaged to Tim Johnson and will be married in November 2024.

Trey Ivins and Sarah Ivins (2017) are expecting a baby girl.

2017

Grayson Renalds Bowers and husband Andy Bowers welcomed daughter Lennon in May 2024.

Jacob Davis is working as the head coach of the Liberty University Shotgun team and a Range Safety Officer at the gun club at Liberty. He is starting his Master's Degree in Sports Management this summer.

Allie Kittrell lives in Brooklyn, New York, where she works for a nonprofit agency which pairs individuals at risk of homelessness with viable

affordable housing options. She graduated with honors from Virginia Tech in January 2021 with a degree in Human Development and will be attending graduate school at NYU for the fall where she will continue her studies in human development and nonprofit policy. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her boyfriend, Carl, and cat, Rory.

2018



Tim and Emily Brophy have been teaching at Bucharest Christian

Academy in Romania. They will be moving back to Virginia in the fall, where Tim will pursue an M.A. in History at George Mason University and Emily will be teaching in an elementary school in Northern Virginia.



Christian Kumar is currently working on a Doctorate in Physical Therapy from Belmont University.

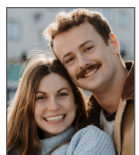


Emma Prillaman is finishing her first year of dental school at Lincoln Memorial

University in Knoxville, TN. She still loves traveling when she can and enjoyed a spring break trip with **Aubrey Sneed** (2017) and friends to Disneyland Paris.



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Amy White finished her last semester with the Fellowship of Catholic

University Students (FOCUS) at the United States Naval Academy, inviting women into Bible studies and discipleship. She is engaged to Casey Welch, and they are preparing to marry in July.

Dakota Witt served in the infantry of the United States Army for nearly four years and was stationed in Texas, where he met his wife Teijah. They were married on August 4, 2023. Currently they are in the process of moving back to Lynchburg, where they both have found job opportunities near family.



Shaefer Seay and Emma Zealand Seay (2019) welcomed their first baby, Raylee

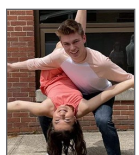
Mae Seay, to the family in January.

2019



Scott Borah and his wife Kayla welcomed baby Esther to the family in

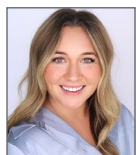
December. Scott graduated from The Apprentice School in Newport News as an X18 welder for submarines and aircraft carriers.



Jett Curran graduated from Grove City College in December 2023

with a B.S. in Chemistry. He loved his time at Grove City, where he made many lifelong friends, grew in his faith, and gained a passion for swing dancing. He just accepted his dream job offer with BWX Technologies as a Chemistry Lab Technician.

Andrew Deneen graduated from Liberty University with a degree in Information Technology Database Securities in 2023. He is currently working for Liberty University as a Technology Assistant in the Procurement Department.



Maryah Haley is an IT and Government Services Account Manager for

Insight Global. She has recently been recognized as the "Top Revenue Generator" company-wide for those hired within the past six months.

Chloe Ingersoll graduated from Harding University in December of 2023. She has been accepted into the master's in engineering program in Biomedical Engineering at the University of Virginia.

Parks Robinson married Jackie Dorsey in August 2023.

Anna Claire Kittrell Vaughan lives in Fort Worth, TX. She graduated with honors from Virginia Tech in December 2022 with a degree in Biochemistry and was married in April of 2023 to Adam Vaughan. She is working as a

Pharmacy Tech and medical scribe and will earn her Master's Degree in Medical Science through Baylor University this August. She will soon sit for the MCAT and intends to apply for medical school. In her free time, she enjoys the Stockyards, Rangers baseball, trips to Magnolia Market, and time with Adam.



Brandon Wilson is working with the Appomattox County Sheriff's Office as a

Deputy Sheriff, where he recently received the Mothers Against Drunk Drivers Virginia Law Enforcement Award.

2020

Bailey Foster graduated from Grove City College with a degree in Exercise Science with a concentration in Strength and Conditioning. Her research group won the five-minute Thesis Competition with their research titled "The Effects of Acute, Novel Neuromotor Training on Cognitive Function: A Comparison of Training Modalities in College-Aged Males."

Calvin Hurt and **Eva Sayles** were married in December of 2022. They are now expecting their first baby in November of 2024. Calvin has been playing lacrosse at Liberty for the past three years and his team won the 2024 ALC Division I Championship in

May. Calvin graduated from Liberty this spring with a degree in Financial Planning.



Olivia Kalafian Pincombe

graduated from the University of Virginia in May

with a Bachelor's Degree in Education (Kinesiology). She will be attending the Master's in Physician Assistant Medicine program at the University of Lynchburg beginning in the summer. She married Paul Pincombe, who she met through Christian Fellowship at UVA, in June 2024.



Lausyn McBride Johnson

graduated from Liberty University in

December with her degree in Interdisciplinary Studies: Natural Sciences & Physical Sciences. She will return to Liberty next fall, where she plans to complete her Master's Degree in Biomedical Sciences. She married Matthew Johnson in August 2023.

Charity Simon is married Timothy Gould in June 2024.

Ivy Schumacher moved back to Lynchburg from Los Angeles, where she was working in film production. She completed her EMT basic course and is one exam away from certification. She is applying to Lynchburg Fire and Safety and aims to be working



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through their Fire Academy and Medic School by the end of the year.



Several alumni played on a Liberty Club Soccer team this season and they won the Roanoke Invitational in April. Alumni on the team included **Carter Newsome, Kaden Newsome (2023), Michael Minnick, Matt Ivins** (not pictured), and **Jude Vollmer (2023)**.

2021



Ellen Anne Deneen graduated from Virginia Tech with a degree in Property Management. She will be attending graduate school at Virginia Tech starting in July, earning a Master's Degree in Elementary Education.

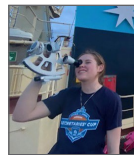


Thad Heaton graduated from Virginia Technical Institute in May 2024 with a

certification in welding. He is currently employed as a commercial welder at Delta Star and is considering commercial diving school for

certification in underwater welding.

Bibby Kittrell completed her third year at the University of Virginia as an honors student majoring in Behavioral Neuroscience. In addition to her schoolwork, she conducted funded independent research in the department, working part-time as a CVS Pharmacy Technician, and was active in Reformed University Fellowship on campus. Bibby enjoys living in the "Lemon Lodge" with her cat, Martini, and fellow New Covenant alumna and best friend, **Phoebe Prillaman**.



Virginia Robert completed her third year at the Merchant Marine Academy. This

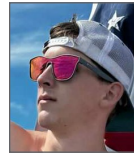
was her "sea year," and she traveled to the Middle East, Northern Europe, and the North Pacific. She is thoroughly enjoying the travel and challenges. Before graduation next year, she will have completed 330 days on ships.

Izabel Zealand graduated from Liberty University and is marrying **William Gillespie (2020)** in June.

2022

Dalton Foster just finished his second year at Liberty University and plans to graduate next year with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration (Project Management).

2023



Van Curran concluded his first year at Biola University in Southern

California. He plays percussion for the campus worship team and is working hard in the Music Conservatory as well as in the Torrey Honors Program.



Will Kittrell completed his first year of a five-year program in Architecture at

the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Florida. He is an honors student and is active in the SoA Student Council and the American Institute of Architecture Students. Will was recently elected as Vice President of the student-run U of M chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council. He has an internship with CJMW Architecture this summer.

*We want to keep our records current in order to communicate with you. Please send any updates in your contact information to **Dayna Renalds, Director of Development, at drenalds@newcovenantschools.org.***

UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

Alumni Soccer Game
Friday, November 29, 2024

Homecoming
January 10, 2025

Alumni Lacrosse Game
May 2025



The Alumni Lacrosse Game in May saw an impressive turnout of alumni in a contest with the NCS Varsity Men's team.

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