

Graduation 2016



**Rabun County
High School**



**Rabun Gap
Nacoochee
School**



**Tallulah Falls
School**



The Clayton Tribune

May 26, 2016

RCHS seniors receive scholarships, awards

Staff Reports

Seniors who were awarded scholarships and honors during Senior Awards Night on May 17 are:

Alpha Delta Kappa Scholarships — Allyson Nix and Eli Bundrick;

American Red Cross — Garrett Mitchem;

M. Bowman/Caring and Sharing Scholarships — Ethan Dickerson and Lacey Winnings;

Ashton Bray Memorial — Eli Bundrick and Jeseca Hunnicutt;

Coach Ken Byrd Memorial Scholarships — Dalton Keener and Grier Woods;

Clayton Crawl Scholarship — Alyson Nix;

Clayton Rotary Club Scholarship — Leslie Gonzalez Soriano;

Karen Dubois Scholarship — Salem Free;

Miley Duvall Memorial Scholarships — Matthew Addis, Bailey Dillard, Eli Gipson, Lindsey Sidey, Lane Stockton and Alden Wright;

Classic Center Cultural Foundation Scholarship for the Arts — Cylvie Patterson;

Dr. John Fowler Scholarship — Itezel Becerra Fuentes;

Foxfire Fund, Inc Scholarships — Eli Bundrick, Stephanie Jones, Brad Pruitt and Allison Wall;

Georgia Foothills Quality Deer Management Scholarship — Brandon Kilby;

Georgia Military College — Jake Toller;

Georgia Mountain Laurel Magazine Scholarship — Salem Free, Irene Sosbee and Victoria Welch;

Habersham EMC Scholarship — Resa Carroll and Ashley Marchman;

Haywood-Hoppes-Bell Scholarship - Rabun Music Festival — Cylvie Patterson;

Headwaters Master Gardening Scholarship — Brandon Kilby;

HOSA Scholarship — Garrett Mitchem;

Ingles Scholarship — Helena Phillips and Bradley Pruitt;

Bo James/Zach Beck Memorial Scholarship — Eli Gipson, Kristen Woodall and Alden Wright;

PEARLS Jr. Women’s Club of Rabun Scholarship — Lucy Johnson and Leslie Gonzalez Soriano;

Kiwanis Club of Rabun County Scholarship — Taylor Clark;

Marjorie Krivsky & Bishop Parkin Award — Leslie Gonzalez Soriano;

Lake Burton Scholarships — Jake Cannon, Bailey Dillard, Moranel Gober, Benjamin Guevara, Hannah Hightower, Daniel Jackson, Ashley Marchman, Kaylee Moore and Krezenz Schmid;

Lake Rabun Association Scholarships — Adamari Diaz, Bethany Streible, Logan Black, Bradley Pruitt, Ashley Marchman, Helena Phillips, Resa Carroll, Kristen Woodall and Eli Gipson;

Lake Seed Association Scholarship — Resa Carroll;

Mountain Ivy Garden Club Scholarship — Matthew Addis and Brandon Kilby;

Mountain Lakes Medical Center Auxiliary Scholarship — Daniela Betzabeth Bonilla Castro;

National Wild Turkey Tallulah Chapter Federation Scholarship — Jake Cannon and Grier Woods;

North Georgia Arts Guild Art Scholarship — Moranel Gober, Jessica Duran and Benjamin Guevara;

North Georgia Community Players Charles Black Memorial Scholarship — Resa Carroll, Ashley Marchman and Alyson Nix

North Georgia Technical College Scholarship — Amber Ray;

Oconee Federal Bank/T. Blasingame Scholarship — Resa Carroll;

One for the Wall Scholarship — Grier Woods;

PCAR Scholarship — Amber Ray;

Philanthropic Educational Organization — Resa Carroll;

Piedmont College Scholarships — Eli Gipson, Lucy Johnson, Freddy Rios, Alexis Owens and Natalie Webb;

Rabun County Athletics Wendy’s High School Heisman Award — Delaney Edwards and Charlie Woerner;

Rabun County Athletic



Daniel Jackson and Hannah Hightower accept their scholarships during the Rabun County High School Senior Awards Night on May 17.

Scholarships — Delaney Edwards, Oglethorpe University basketball; KatyBeth Rentz, Southern Wesleyan University basketball; Alden Wright, Maryville University baseball; Eli Gipson, Piedmont College baseball; Charlie Woerner, University of Georgia football;

Rabun County Board of Realtors Scholarship — Whitney Blalock and Dalton Keener;

Rabun County Fair Association Scholarship — Kreszenz Schmid, Brandon Kilby and Jeffrey Crump;

Rabun County Farm Bureau Scholarship — Brandon Kilby;

Rabun County FFA Alumni Scholarship — Kreszenz Schmid and Jeseca Hunnicutt;

Rabun County High Band Boosters Scholarship — Kristen Lovell, Logan Black, Dylan Ramey and Jesse Kilby;

Rabun County High School Yearbook Scholarship — Lucy Johnson and Salem Free;

Rabun County High School FBLA Scholarship — Resa Carroll, Lindsey Sidey and Ashley Wright;

Rabun County Homemakers Scholarships — Resa Carroll, Ethan Dickerson, Dalton Henslee, Jesse Kilby, Hannah Watson and Alden Wright;

Rabun County Law Enforcement Scholarship — Rebecca Burgos, Trey Harrison

and Alexis Owens;

Rabun County Retired Educators Scholarship — Cylvie Patterson;

Rabun County Woodmen of the World Scholarship — Dalton Keener and Irene Sosbee;

Rabun Gap Masonic Lodge/Ken Morrow Memorial Scholarships — Shay Ramey and Resa Carroll;

Reinhart College Academic Award — Tristan Huggins;

Ray and Mama Rumsey Scholarship — Resa Carroll, Tristan Huggins, Lucy Johnson, Dalton Keener, Brady Pruitt and Irene Sosbee;

Scaly Mountain Women’s Club Scholarship — Gabby Conway , Kellie Barnes and Lindsey Sidey;

Sky Valley Garden Club Scholarship — Kasi Russell and Allison Wall;

Sustainable Mountain Living Community Scholarship — Brandon Kilby;

Lawrence Stockton Memorial Scholarship — Tyler Harris;

United Community Bank Scholarship — Lucy Johnson and Dalton Keener;

Valley Girls Scholarship — Matthew Addis, Seth King and Kreszenz Schmid;

Regina Warriner Memorial Scholarship — Kristen Lovell;

Wilson/Evans Visual Arts Scholarship — Daniela Castro and Sitra Long;

S. Taylor Wisdahl Scholarship — Bryan Chamberlain, Salvador Ramirez, Kadi Tyler and Ashley Wright;

Young Harris College Scholarship — Admari Diaz, Ashley Marchman and Allison Wall;

Valedictorian — Ashley Marchman, Young Harris College;

Salutatorian — Resa Carroll, Georgia Tech;

Historian — Kaylee Moore, University of Georgia;


STAR student — Kaylee Moore;

STAR teacher — Dr. Terry Seehorn;

Top 5 percent — Ashley Marchman, Resa Emily Carroll. Kaylee Anne Moore, Logan Willis Black, Delaney Carson Edwards, Alyson Nicole Nix and Bradley Schae Pruitt;

National Honor Society — Jake Cannon, Resa Carroll, Salem Free, Moranel Gober, Stephanie Jones, Ashley Marchman, Kaylee Moore, Alyson Nix, Cylvie Patterson, Kreszenz Schmid, Lindsey Sidey, Bethany Streible, Kadi Tyler, Grier Woods and Alden Wright;

Honor graduates — Logan Black, Whitney Blalock, Daniela Bonilla Castro, Rebecca Burgos, Jake Cannon, Resa Carroll, Bryan Chamberlain, Gabrielle Conway, Adamari Diaz, Bailey Dillard, Delaney Edwards, Salem Free, Eli Gipson, Moranel Gober, Benjamin Guevara, Hannah Hightower, Daniel Jackson, Lucy Johnson, Stephanie Jones, Brandon Kilby, Jesse Kilby, Sitara Long, Kaitlyn Love, Kristen Lovell, Ashley Marchman, Garrett Mitchem, Kaylee Moore, Alyson Nix, Alexis Owens, Cylvie Patterson, Helena Phillips, Bradley Pruitt, Salvador Ramirez, Amber Ray, KatyBeth Rentz, Samantha Reville, Fredy Rios, Josh Roland, Krezenz Schmid, Lindsey Sidey, Leslie Soriano, Irene Sosbee, Hannah Sprinkle, Bethany Streible, Abbie Taylor, Kadi Tyler, Allison Wall, Natalie Webb, Charlie Woerner, Kristen Woodall, Grier Woods, Alden Wright, Ashley Wright and Quenn Yeary.




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Charles Woerner



Alden Wright

“As each one has received a special gift employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.”

~ I Peter 4:10

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CARROLL



DANIELA BETZABETH BONILLA
CASTRO



BRYAN TAYLOR
CHAMBERLAIN



GABRIELLE MARGARET
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DIAZ ORDAZ



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DILLARD



DELANEY CARSON
EDWARDS



SALEM KENNEDY
FREE



ELISHA ANDY
GIPSON



MORANEL ELIZABETH
GOBER



BENJAMIN ISAIAH
GUEVARA



HANNAH KATE
HIGHTOWER



DANIEL PATRICK
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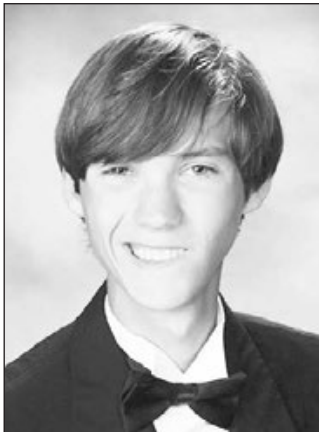
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JONES



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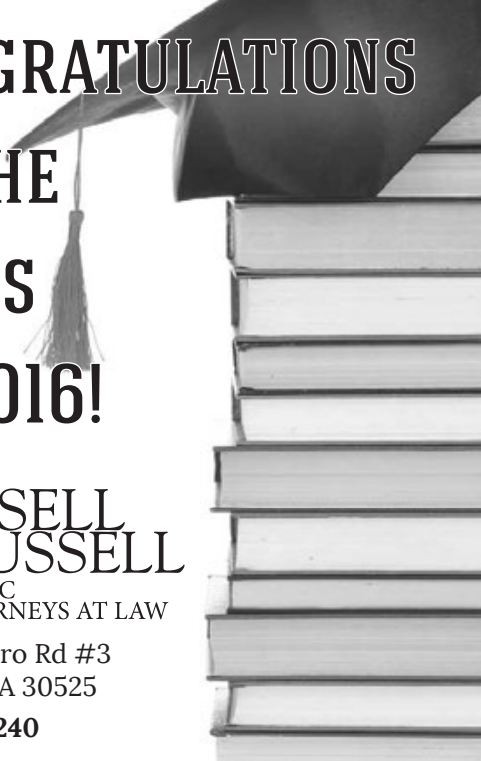
For the Class of 2016, there have always been blue M&Ms, but no tan ones and Stephen Breyer has always been an Associate Justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.



Congratulations Hannah!

We love you and can't wait to see all the good you'll do in this world! Happy Graduation!! Mom, Mike, Jennifer & William

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MOORE



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NIX



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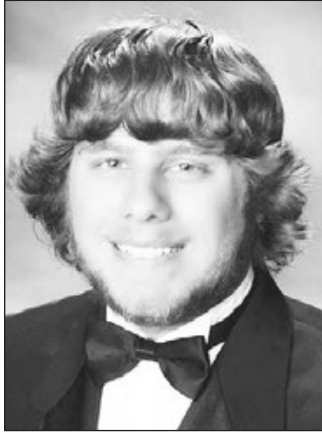
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RENTZ



SAMANTHA LYNN
REVILLE



FREDY JOSE
RIOS



JOSHUA SHANE
ROLAND



KRESZENZ ERIKA
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SIDEY



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BETHANY RACHEL
STREIBLE



ABBEY BROOKE
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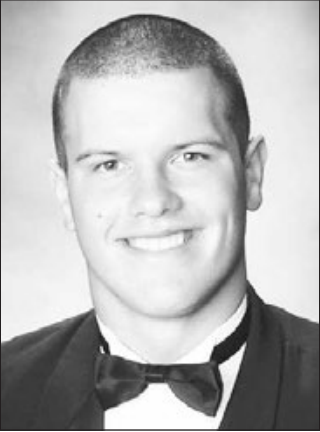
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TYLER



ALLISON LEE
WALL



NATALIE MORGAN
WEBB



CHARLES KENT
WOERNER



KRISTEN ELIZABETH
WOODALL



SARAH GRIER
WOODS



ALDEN JOSHUA
WRIGHT



ASHLEY GRACE
WRIGHT



MINDA QUENN
YEARY

Rabun County High School graduation is Friday

The Rabun County High School Class of 2016 receives diplomas at the commencement ceremony beginning at 8 p.m. Friday at Frank Snyder Memorial Stadium, weather permitting.

In the event of rain, students

will attend the ceremony in the RCHS gymnasium. During the ceremony, 148 students are expected to graduate. The RCHS band will play the school's alma mater and the processional. "Pomp and Circumstance." Itzel Xitlali

Becerra Fuentes will give the invocation, and Bethany Rachel Streible will present the welcome message. Shay Jessie Ramey will introduce the class song, "I Won't Forget About You," by Cylvie Caroline Patterson. It

will be performed by Patterson and Juan Daniel Figueroa Najera. The RCHS band then will perform "To Realms of Endless Day," by Johnny Vinson. That will be followed by speeches by class historian

Kaylee Anne Moore and salutatorian Resa Emily Carroll. Valedictorian Ashley Rebecca Marchman then will address the graduating class. Principal Jonathan Gibson

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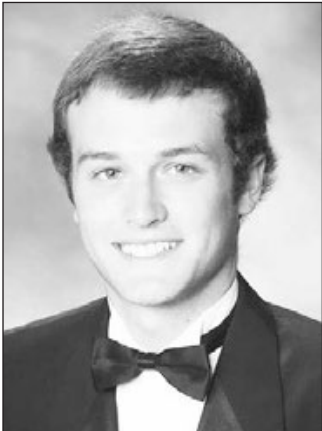
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MATTHEW O'BRIAN
ADDIS




JOHN MAXWELL JESSE
ADOLPH




NOLAN LANE
ALEXANDER




SEAN RICHMOND
ALFORD




LILEE MICHELE
ATKINS




MARIA GUADALUPE
BALDERAS




KELLI MARIE
BARNES




TRISTAN MICHAEL
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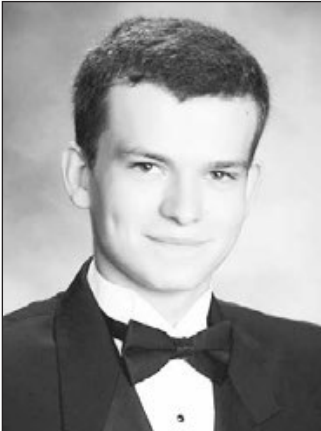
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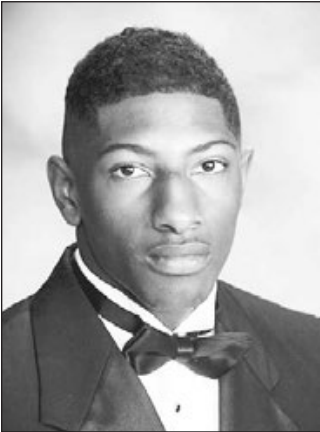
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BRUGMAN




ELI GORDON
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JESSE AKINWOLE AKHENATON
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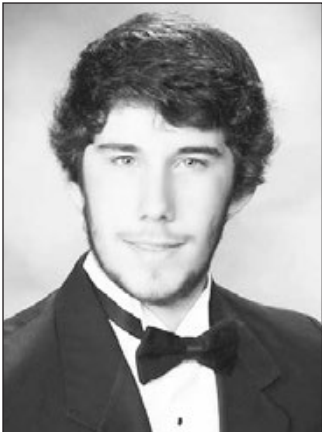
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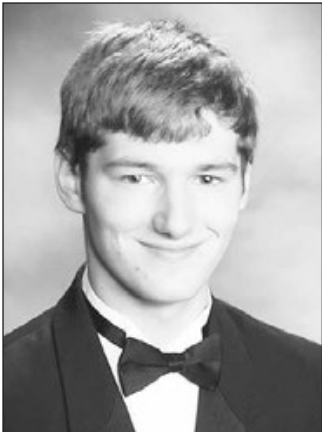
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JEFFERY MAXWELL
CRUMP



FRANK RUSSELL
CUMMINGS



TREVOR JONATHAN
DEARBORN



ERVIN KENNI
DIAZ-RAMOS

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will present a special recognition. Gibson and Assistant Principal Charles Wright will present the graduating class. Superintendent Melissa Williams and Gibson will present diplomas to the graduates, with assistance from Rabun County Board of Education Chairman David Smith. Leslie Gonzales Soriano will give the benediction, and Gibson will close the ceremony.



The sky's the limit



*Our little girl is graduating.
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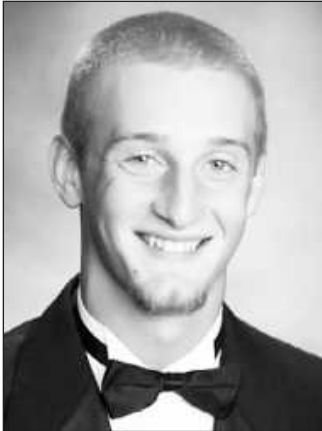
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GONZALEZ



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SALENA MARJORIE KAHIN
HARVEY



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WILLIAM HUNTER
HENSON



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HERNANDEZ CABRERA



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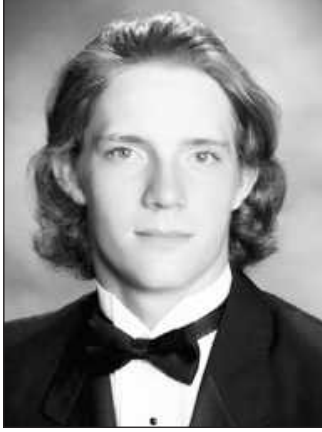
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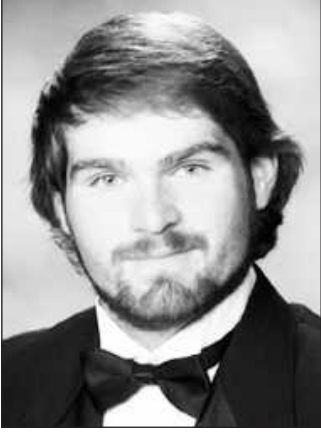
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KEENER



ANDREW SETH
KING



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baby girl! Love you
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MICAH VAUGHN PATE



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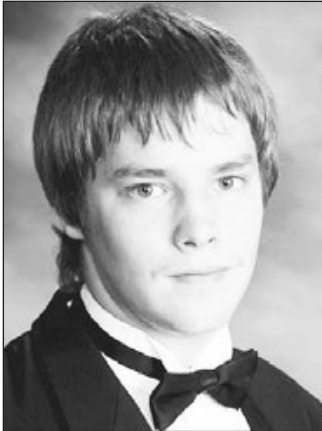
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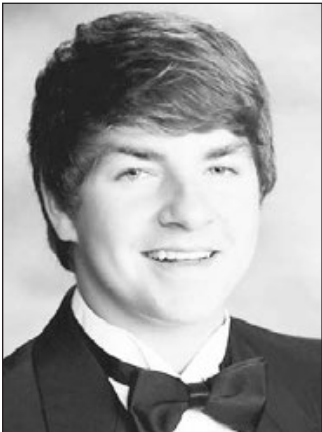
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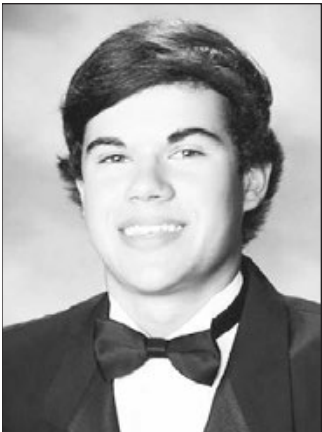
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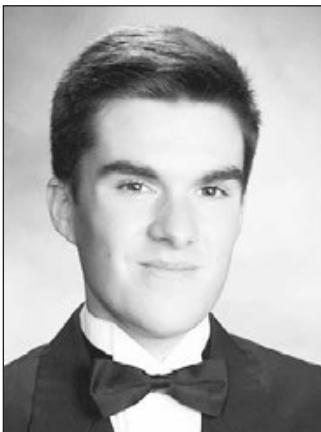
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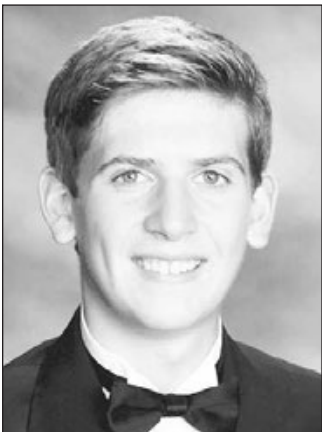
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RCHS GRADUATE 2016



“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.”
1 Timothy 4:12
We love you Beauty!!
Love, Mom and Dad

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We all love you and are so proud of you!
All the luck and keep listening to the Lord in whatever way he guides you.
LOVE, Dad, Mom, Nathanael
Nanny, PaPa, Anthony,
Jeanna and the rest of the bunch!



**SIERRA ELIZABETH
VAZQUEZ-TURNER**



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WEST**



**SAMUEL ARMSTRONG
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LACEY MICHELLE WINNINGS

Best All Around: Salem Free and Alden Wright
Wittiest: Kelli Barnes and Robi West
Friendliest: Matthew Addis and Leslie Soriano
Most School Spirit: Bethany Streible and Sam White
Most Dependable: Lindsey Sidey and Salvador Ramirez

Most Athletic: KatyBeth Rentz and Charlie Woerner
Leadership: Kaylee Moore and Jake Cannon
Most Likely to Succeed: Resa Carroll and Garrett Mitchem
Most Talented: Cylvie Patterson and Juan Figueroa
Most Courteous: Whitney Blalock and Brandon Kilby

A decorative border with a stained glass pattern surrounds the entire page. The pattern consists of various geometric shapes in shades of gray and black, creating a mosaic effect.
The logo features a stylized mountain range with a cross rising from the center. Sunbeams radiate from behind the cross. Below the mountains, the word "CLAYTON" is written in large, bold, black capital letters. Underneath "CLAYTON", the words "FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH" are written in a smaller, bold, black sans-serif font.

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WITH ALL YOUR HEART,
AND DO NOT LEAN ON
YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING.
IN ALL YOUR WAYS
ACKNOWLEDGE HIM,
AND HE WILL MAKE
STRAIGHT YOUR PATHS.
PROVERBS 3:5-6

A landscape illustration at the bottom of the page shows a winding path leading through a forest of evergreen trees towards a mountain range in the distance. The style is simple and graphic, using various shades of gray.

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75 graduate from Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School



The Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School Class of 2016 lines up before graduation May 15.

Submitted Photo

Staff Reports

Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School graduated 75 seniors at an outdoor commencement ceremony Sunday May 15.

With 100 percent college acceptance, members of the class received over 350 acceptances to over 180 colleges and universities, over one-third of which are ranked in U.S. News National Top 50 National Universities and Liberal Arts Colleges.

More than 15 percent of the class will participate in collegiate athletics.

Tabitha Dowdle from Franklin, North Carolina, sang “The Star Spangled Banner,” and Adetutu Adedun from Lagos, Nigeria, delivered an inspirational student address.

A baccalaureate service preceded graduation and the Rev. Dr. Dennis M. Campbell of Durham, North Carolina, and Washington, D.C., delivered the baccalaureate address.

Brandon Allen Conquest, senior class president from Durham, North Carolina, delivered the Prayers of the Class of 2016.

Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School Senior Awards and Scholarships

Valedictory Award — Eunice Sohn
STAR Student Recognition — Mac Tinius and his teacher Anne Shook
National Merit Finalist Recognition — Mac Tinius
United Community Bank Scholarship — Joaquin Perez
Rabun County Music Festival Award — Madeline Benitez,, Bailey Baker, and Constantina Barile
Rabun County Board of Realtors — Carlina Caro
North Georgia Arts Guild Scholarship — Olivia Leviton
Lake Rabun Scholarship — Carlina Caro
Hammack Scholarship — Carter King
Tim Smoot Award — Adetutu Adedun

Margaret H Boyd Award — Virginia Hudgins
Lib and Karl Anderson Award — Avery Lumsden
The Chrystal Eagle Award — Eunice Sohn and Brandon Conquest
The Morris Brown Sportsmanship Award — Lynisa Gardiner and Hunter Stanley
Senior Cum Laude Inductees — Adetutu Adedun, Sarah Barr, Carlina Caro, Sandra Chung, Gardner Davis, John Donald, David Hu, Carter King, David Lee, Olivia Leviton, Avery Lumsden, Jennifer Montoya, Esther Park, Eunice Sohn and Mac Tinius
National Honor Society Inductees — Adetutu Adedun, Bailey Baker, Sarah Barr, Sandra Chung, Gardner Davis,

John Donald, Juan Jose Espinosa-Cuetos, Nikolas Harrell, Carter King, David Lee, Olivia Leviton, Avery Lumsden, Jennifer Montoya, Esther Park, Eunice Sohn, Mac Tinius and Christian Trevathan

Departmental Awards

Outstanding Achievement in Senior English — Jenny Montoya
Outstanding Achievement in Visual Arts — Sarah Barr
Outstanding Achievement in Vocal Music — Tabitha Dowdle
Outstanding Achievement in Technical Theater — Emily Olson
The John Philip Sousa Band Award — Trevor Nichols

The Director’s Award — Esther Park
Outstanding Achievement in American Government — Sandra Chung
Outstanding Achievement in Economics — Eunice Sohn
Outstanding Achievement in Environmental Science — Eunice Sohn
Outstanding Achievement in Biology — Jennifer Montoya
Outstanding Achievement in Introductory French — Jack Liddle
Outstanding Achievement in French — Sarah Dancy Blackburn
Outstanding Achievement in Mandarin — Subin Eem
Outstanding Achievement in Spanish — David Lee

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2016



Rabun Gap proudly presents the Class of 2016. While Rabun Gap has experienced continued growth in all areas over the past 20 years, this group of young adults represents, perhaps, our greatest achievement. The Class of 2016 have been successful in their aspirations to attend high quality, selective colleges and universities, which is a reflection of the school’s outstanding academic program.

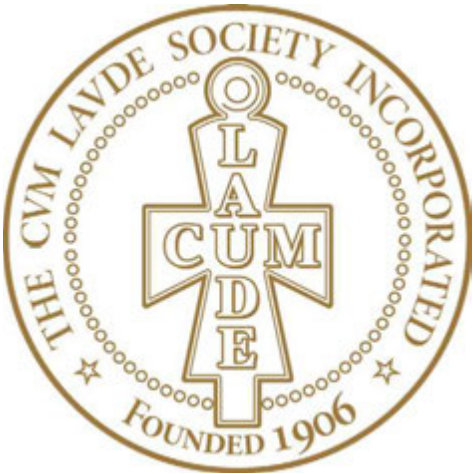
Rabun Gap’s selection for membership in the Cum Laude Society further validates the school’s commitment to academic excellence. Based on the college honor society, Phi Beta Kappa, induction into the Cum Laude Society is recognized by colleges and universities as a clear indication of future academic success. Opening a Chapter at Rabun Gap places us among a small number of elite academic institutions in Georgia and across the nation.



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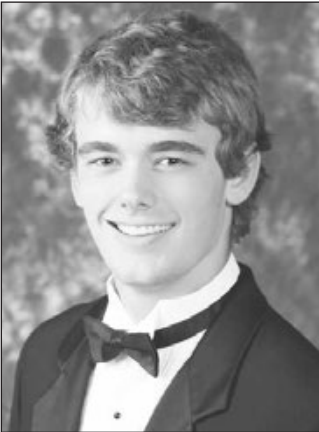
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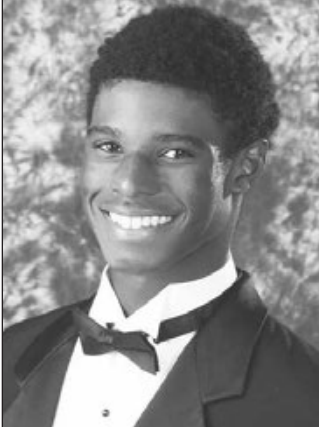
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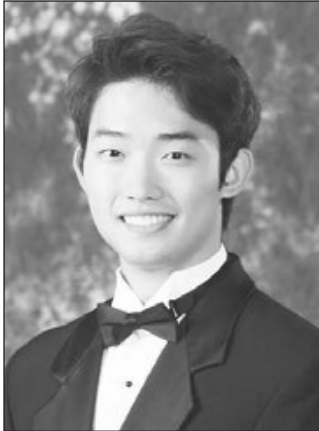
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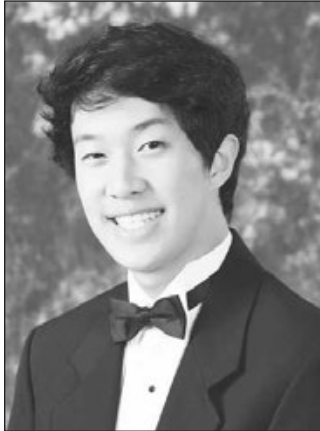
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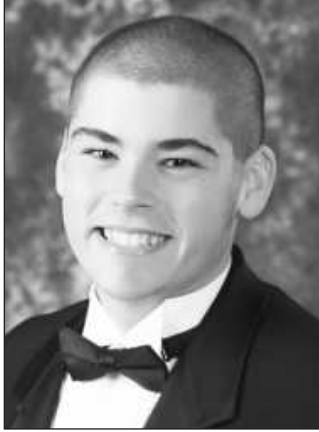
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TFS graduates 61 during May 22 commencement

By Kimberly Brown
CNI News Service

May 22 saw 61 new high school graduates in Northeast Georgia, when commencement exercises were held at Tallulah Falls School for the class of 2016. Featured at the event as commencement speaker was Brian Kemp, Georgia’s secretary of state.

Once almost exclusively a boarding school, in the past few years TFS has extended its reach to include more and more local students. This year, about one-third of the 61 students who graduated from Tallulah Falls School are from Habersham County, with several more from surrounding Rabun, White and Stephens counties.

The 2016 graduating class earned more than \$3 million in college scholarships, and the school boasts a 100-percent college acceptance rate, said Larry Peevy, TFS president and head of school.

“Because we have more kids from Habersham, Rabun, White, the local counties, we’re also having a greater number staying home for [college],” Peevy said. “So there will be a number that go to Piedmont College, North Georgia Tech, Toccoa Falls College [and other] local schools.”

Other 2016 TFS graduates have been accepted to the University of Georgia, Georgia Tech, Emory University, several different UCLA campuses, New York University, Rutgers and even the Merchant Marine Academy, Peevy said.

“I’m so proud of them, because every student is continuing their education,” he

said. “It’s probably one of the most diverse groups we’ve had, because we’re getting more and more students from the local community, and we have 10 countries and five states represented in the graduation.

“To say I’m proud is an understatement,” Peevy said. “They’re just a great group of people. I’m a proud papa.”

Kemp told the students that, “by setting clear goals, rising to the challenges you face, and excelling as a student,” the graduates “embody the greatest hope for your families” as the next generation of leaders.

While the students’ academic achievements are the result of their own hard work, Kemp said, “You are beneficiaries of your parents’ and your families’ love and hard work. Never forget the wonderful memories they created for you, and always show gratitude for their sacrifices to secure your success in life.”

Kemp expressed amazement of the amount of college scholarships the graduating class has received.

“I was thrilled to learn that each and every one of you has been accepted into college, and that your graduating class has been awarded over \$3 million in college scholarships,” he said.

“When I was on the road, I had to call the office to get them to doublecheck this \$3 million figure, because I thought that was not possible. I was really blown away.”

Kemp ended his talk to the students with a quote from the late President Ronald Reagan: “Live simply, love generously, care deeply, speak kindly, and



Tallulah Falls School graduates Joshua Brown, left, Nathaniel Caudell, Haeun Chung (partially pictured), Kaitlyn Crosby, James Davis, Whitney Fox and John Luke Gallagher express joy after receiving their diplomas during graduation exercises held Sunday.

leave the rest up to God.”

TFS’s 2016 salutatorian is John Luke Gallagher of Clarkesville. Gallagher said he has been at TFS for seven years, and he named other graduating seniors who also have attended sixth-12th grade: James Davis, Cody Thomas, Kaitlyn Crosby, Amelia Provine, Vanessa Lewis, Maci Watts, Ryan Hughes and Elizabeth Tench. Gallagher called their seven years “a unique experience” which began when the school had only one classroom building and Saturday morning classes.

Gallagher issued a challenge to his classmates: “Take the

power you’ve been given, that you’ve earned for yourself, and make your passion grow, because we can change the world if we put forth the effort.”

TFS’s 2016 valedictorian is Lianjie Wei of China. He quoted Paulo Coelho, who said, “There is only one thing that makes a dream impossible to achieve: the fear of failure.”

Wei also cited Bill Gates as a famous college dropout, but who was a person who worked hard from childhood to achieve his dream of writing computer programs.

“Bill Gates became successful not because he did not

finish Harvard, but because he was fully devoted to pursuing that dream he had, and he worked extra hard to make sure he [saw] it happen,” Wei said.

Wei said setbacks and problems should be “treated like a marathon. Sprinting doesn’t work. Pace yourself. Use your progress as motivation, and keep pushing yourself until one day you reach that finish line.

“But don’t forget to do some sightseeing and take some breaks when you’re on the way, because if you don’t do that, that will make you crazy.”

Tallulah Falls School student awards

- Senior Awards**
- Valedictorian** — Lianjie Wei
Salutatorian — John Luke Gallagher
- Scholarships**
- United States Merchant Marine Academy** — John Luke Gallagher;
University of North Georgia AROTC Scholarship — Sam Ausburn;
Circle for Children Scholarship — Garrett Lane and Ashley Kemp;
- Presbyterian College** — Amy Betz;
United Community Bank Scholarship — Emily Taylor
Wofford College — Thomas Draper Smith, Chibueze Alfred-Igbokwe, Yuting Zhang, Mark Igor Faingold, Michael Shon Weidner and Xuan Yang;
Woodmen Life Scholarship — Garrett Lane;
Rabun County Board of Realtors Scholarship — Garrett Lane;
H.M. Stewart Award (Valedictorian) — Lianjie Wei;

- Habersham County Rotary Club Scholarship** — Ashley Kemp, Taylor Asman, Whitney Fox, Amelia Provine and Vanessa Lewis;
Habersham EMC Foundation Scholarship — Taylor Nicole Trimiar;
Clarkesville Kiwanis Club Key Club Scholarship — Jenifer Kulow and Guiga Kasabkojian;
Habersham County Chamber of Commerce Recognition of Valedictorian — Lianjie Wei
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- Recognition** — Brittany Stein, Miles Lewis, Maci Watts and Cody Reynolds;
Clayton Women’s Club Award — Kaitlyn Crosby;
D.A.R. Good Citizen Award — Ashley Kemp;
Outstanding Upper School Day Student Award — Ashley Kemp;
Extra Mile Award — Mio Sugawara;
STAR Student & STAR Teacher — STAR Student, Garrett Lane; STAR Teacher, Dr. Robert Barron;
Outstanding Character Award — John Luke Gallagher.

- Student Awards**
- Woodmen of the World Award for Outstanding Proficiency in American History** — Michael Weidner
Habersham County Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award — Shyam Shukla
GFWC-GA State Writing Awards — Stephen Nash, Katherine Gilmer and Tori Sesam
Georgia Certificate of Merit — Anne Edwards, Emma Peacock, Michael Van Hooser, Michael Weidner and Thomas Draper Smith
Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership Award — Grace Brewer and Max Teems
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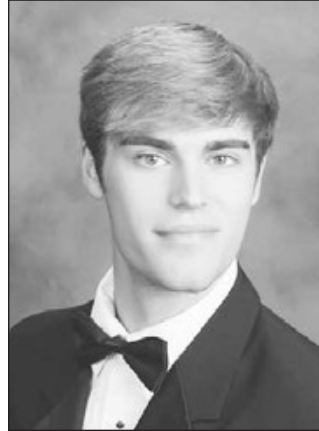

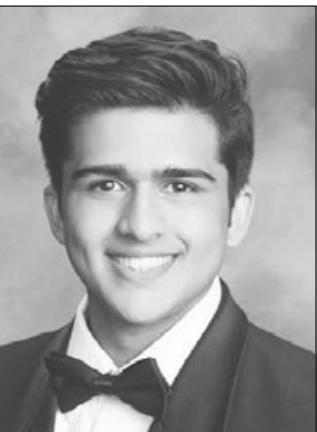
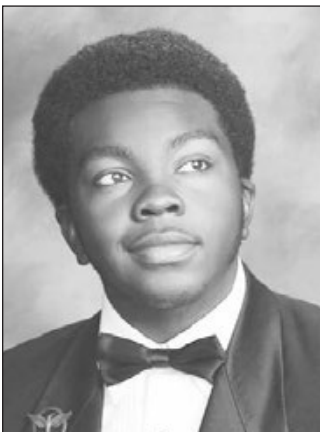
















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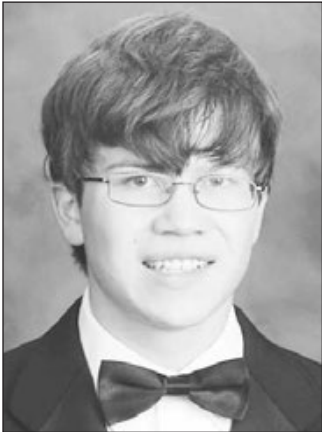
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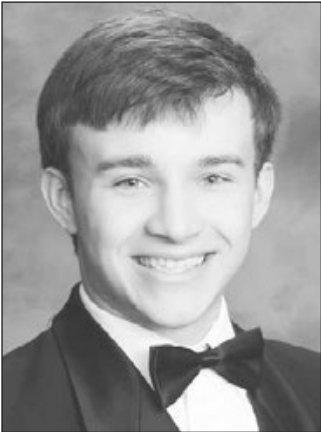
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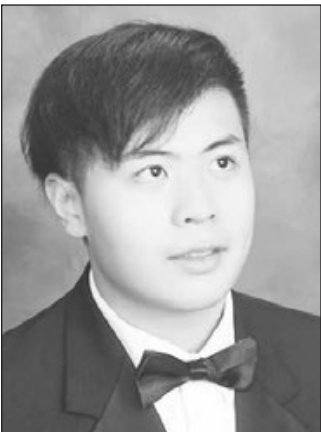
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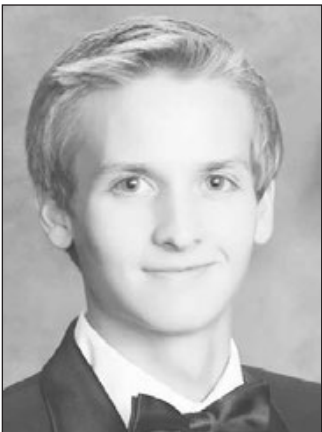
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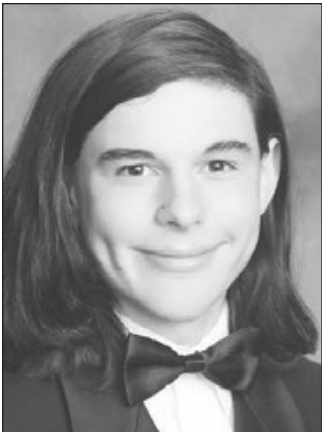
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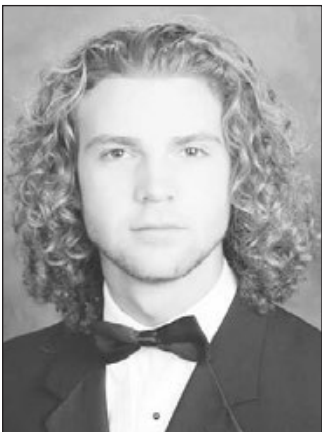
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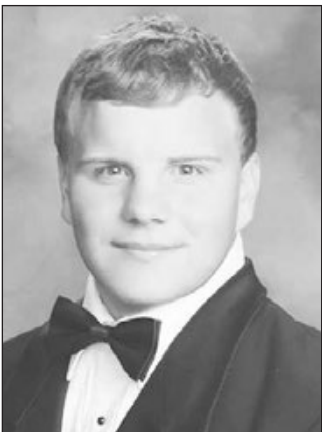
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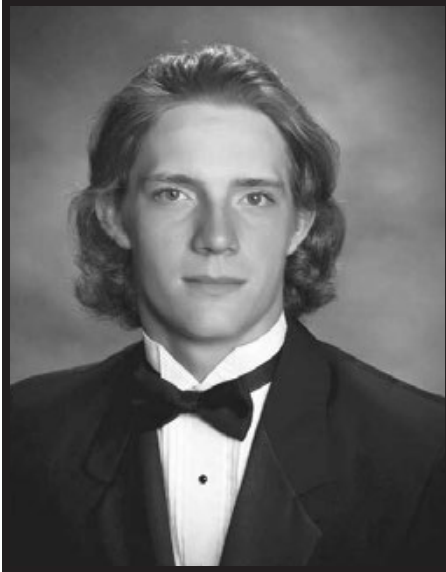
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Katie plans to get a degree in the nursing field.

Juliana Sharpton is also an honor graduate and will be receiving scholarships from Beck Funeral Home, North Georgia Technical College and United Community Bank. She is continuing her education at North Georgia Technical School pursuing a career as a veterinary technician.

Jamarcus Teasley and Cody Harkins are also graduating with honors.

Brandon Padgett has gone into the work force and has full time employment at a local business in Clayton.

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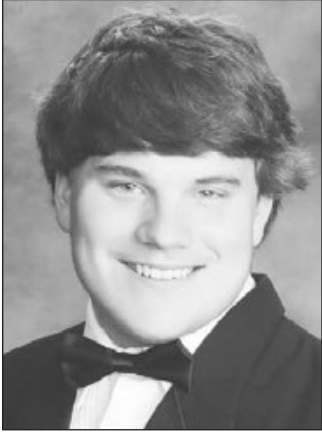
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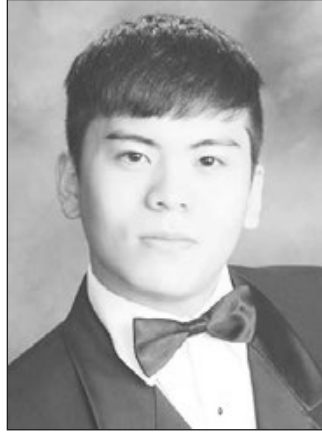
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Theater — Marcus Thompson
English — Amy Betz
Personal Fitness and Health — Nathan Woodland
Indian Iron Award — Ethen Besier
Mathematics — Lianjie Wei
Music Choral — Sarah Catherine Fordham
Music Instrumental — Yuting Zhang
Science — John Luke Gallagher

Social Studies — Miles Lewis
Spanish — Sarah Catherine Fordham
Tae Kwon Do — John Oklapek
Outstanding Upper School Day Student Award — Ashley Kemp
Outstanding Upper School Boarding Student Award — Mark Faingold
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Arcadia University
Art Institute Orange County
Auburn University
Avila University
Barry University
Berry College
Boston University
Brenau University
Center University
College of Charleston
College of Coastal Georgia
College of Southern Maryland
Colorado Mesa University
Columbia College Chicago
Cornerstone University
Davidson College
Depaul University
Florida Southern College
Fort Lewis College
George Washington University
- Georgia College and State Univ.
Georgia Southern University
Georgia Southwestern St. Univ.
Georgia State University Georgia
Technical College
Guilford College
High Point University
Hoffstra University
Indiana University-Bloomington
Johnson and Wales University
Kendall College
Kennesaw State University
Knox College
Lasell College
Lehigh University
LIU Brooklyn
Los Angeles Film School
Maryland Institute College of Art
Massachusetts College of
Art and Design
Mercer University
Miami University (Ohio)
Michigan State University
Milwaukee School of Engineering
Montclair University
- New York University
North Carolina State University
North Georgia Technical College
Nyack College
Oglethorpe University
Ohio State University
Pennsylvania State University
Piedmont College
Presbyterian University
Purdue University
Queens University
Queens University of Charlotte
Reinhardt University
Rutgers Univ.-New Brunswick
San Diego State University
Savannah Col. of Art and Design
Savannah State University
St. Johns University
St. Louis University
St. Thomas Aquinas College
State University of New York-
Stony Brook
State University of New York -
Buffalo
Stony Brook University
- Suffolk University
Temple University
Texas Tech University
Toccoa Falls College
Towson University
U. S. Merchant Marine Academy
University at Buffalo
University of California-Irvine
University of California-Riverside
University of California-San Diego
Univ. of California-Santa Cruz
University of Central Florida
University of Delaware
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Illinois
University of Illinois -
Urbana-Champaign
University of Kansas
University of Maryland
Univ. of Massachusetts-Amherst
Univ. of Massachusetts-Boston
University of Mississippi
University of Minnesota
- University of North Carolina-
Chapel Hill
University of North Carolina-
Greensboro
University of North Georgia
University of San Diego
University of South Florida
University of Toledo
University of Wisconsin
University of Virginia
Utah State University
Valdosta State University
Vaughn College of Aeronautics
and Technology
Virginia Commonwealth
University School of the Arts
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest University
Washington College
Wesleyan College
Western Carolina University
Western State Colorado Univ.
Winthrop University

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