



THE SCROLL

SHALOM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

SUMMER 2016

Their Light Will Shine

Patty Flood • Secondary Principal

On June 3rd, sixteen students graduated from Shalom Christian Academy. There were three students with a 4.0 GPA. The students in this class received a total of \$531,200 in scholarships to further their education. After giving testimonies, three seniors sang "We Can Dream" while the other seniors gave roses to their parents.

A new tradition began this year with a gift from the school being a fleece blanket with the school logo, name and year of graduation.



Alexandra Poe, Abigail Naylor, and Joshua Coldsmith were the valedictorians who reflected on their past as well as their future. They talked about the joys of elementary school and the struggles of middle school. Verses were shared for them to carry through on their life journey.



Lydia Harris and Sina Kim are all smiles after officially graduating.



Left to right: Brooke Kuhns, Lexy Poe, and Katie Clark sang "We Can Dream."

The speaker was H. David Brandt, president emeritus from George Fox University. His address was entitled, "A Breath of Fresh Air." His premise was that the purpose of graduation speeches is to connect graduates with the world outside of school. He discussed culture and the rise in statistics with domestic violence, the increase in selfishness, cynicism, and political unrest. Philippians 2:15 reads that we are to be seen as lights in the world. Stars shine all day and night, but you can only see them in the darkness. His challenge was for students to be the light that shines in the darkness of the world. He emphasized three points to the graduates: Don't ever forget Christ, never stop serving, do not accept the cultural leanings.

Seniors recessed to "Mission Impossible" played by the band. It was a great night of celebration! 🎉

See page 6 to discover where the graduates are going next!

Preschool News

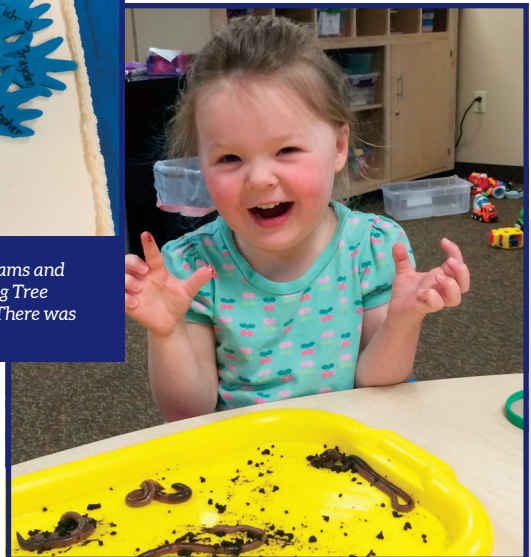
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The last full week of May brought closing programs and celebrations to all preschool locations as Growing Tree students completed the 2015-2016 school year. There was much fellowship and delectable desserts!



These boys at the Antrim location enjoy a turn in the flower shop. Selecting just the right materials to create flower arrangements and "sell" them are a great role playing activity.



Earthworms are fascinating! Children at the Five Forks location learn about God's creation through observation and hands on experience.

Elementary News

A time to look back at accomplishments of Shalom's elementary students.



Mrs. Pickens presented Ethan Shannon with his kindergarten diploma!



Second grader, Curtis Peckman, poses with his Native American project.

Middle School News

Ambassadors for Diversity Program

Dr. Linda Thomas Worthy • Educational Consultant & Student Development Specialist, Worthy Consulting & Training, LLC



Each student is holding a piece of irregularly cut pasteboard with individually chosen words that form a design, when fitted together, of words essential to building an inclusive learning community.

Marvin G. Worthy of Worthy Consulting & Training (WC&T) spent the academic year training middle school students to become Ambassadors for Diversity. Recognizing the importance of inclusive excellence in an educational setting, Dr. Patty Flood, Secondary Principal, supported the program.

The activities centered on developing leadership skills, understanding diversity, becoming active participants in creating an inclusive learning community, responding to acts of intolerance, and creating awareness and appreciation for differences. The students agreed that inclusion is an important aspect for being successful in school and committed to meet several times during each month to discuss ways to which they can ensure that every student feel welcomed and supported at Shalom. Christian Romero exclaimed, "It is important for a community of all ages to include others. I think it is a good program for the person participating and the people around them. The program opened my eyes and showed me things that are happening in my community and gave me a way to change the community for the better both individually and as part of a team."

At the end of the nine month program, the Ambassadors were given an opportunity to present what they learned to the rest of the middle school students at Chapel. All the students were given the choice to sign a community pledge which states their commitment to establish a community which celebrates and recognizes

the significance of all members and role model by encouraging acceptance and inclusion of all members. The students also committed to oppose behaviors, attitudes, and language that interfere with the establishment of a positive learning community.

According to Dr. Flood, the Ambassador Program was a great experience for the students. Therefore, WC&T hopes to continue this partnership and offer it again next year. ♡



Students are holding up the community pledge they voluntarily signed to show their willingness to create and sustain an inviting learning community to which each person can thrive and succeed.

Third Graders Learned about the World

In May, both third classes enjoyed World Culture Day. This year they learned about India, The Gambia, Mexico, Djibuti, Israel, and Guatemala from eight guest speakers who have lived in these countries. Through presentations and activities they experienced many new things. As part of this special day, they shared in an international fellowship meal which introduced them to a variety of foods from all over the world. 🌍



Brady Emge was having a lot of fun showing how to transport things on his head while Braden Shannon watched.



Mrs. Holderman and her class had a great day sharing in cultures of the world.



Rachel Holderman explained about Arab Muslims after spending time in the Middle East. Kaden Rife is participating in her demonstration of men's headwear.



Leticia McClure shared about the culture of Mexico where her mother grew up and Leticia visits regularly.



Larry and Helen Lehman taught the students about Guatemalan culture. They were missionaries in that country for many years and continue to visit there to teach and serve the Kechi Mennonite Church.



Students learned about dance in other cultures.

Elementary Awards Chapel Program

Elementary students shared their talents with their teachers and classmates while proud parents watched their children shine. Also, awards were presented for Hymn of the Month, Bible Memory, and Perfect Attendance. Mrs. Keller pulled lots of fish out of the fishbowl and gave many special prizes from Chick Fil A, Nellie Fox, and the Meadows. This was a great end of the year celebration! 🐟



Conner Costner and Matthew Pine demonstrated their Tae Kwon Do skills.



Alex Rebok played "Sandpiper Symphony" on his trumpet.



Two sisters, Leah McDannell and Lily McDannell, earned awards for saying lots of extra Bible memory verses.



Lillian LePage played the piano while she and her brother, Jonny, sang "Amazing Grace."



Brandi Grove played the ukulele as she and her friends performed "Someone to Lava."

Life After Shalom for the Seniors



The moment has arrived--waiting to receive their diplomas!

Name	College/Occupation	Major
Katelyn Clark	Hagerstown Community College	Nursing
Joshua Coldsmith	Messiah College	Computer Science
Kerland Ebersole	Work Force	
Barrett Eshbaugh	Frederick Community College	Welding
Nicole Halteman	Work Force	
Lydia Harris	Messiah College	Accounting
Jacob Holderman	Messiah College	Engineering
Sina Kim	Wilson College	Business Management
Brooke Kuhns	Waynesburg University	Nursing
Cyrus Lehman	Word of Life Bible Institute	Bible
Kayla MacAskill	Calvin College	Undecided
Abigail Naylor	Houghton College	Equine Management
Alexandra Poe	Messiah College	Elementary Education Special Education
Katherine Shaeffer	Shippensburg University	Undecided
Tyler Thrush	Work Force	
Connor Tiedemann	Hagerstown Community College	Administration of Justice Cybersecurity



Graduates gather together one last time!

Administrator's Corner

40 Years of Growth at SCA

Angie Petersheim • Administrator



Angie Petersheim

September 7 will mark forty years since the first day of school at Shalom Christian Academy. Imagine the excitement when those 87 students entered the building that day. The dream was being realized.

New building, new teachers, and new students – it was the beginning of an opportunity for years to come!

In June 2016, we ended our 40th year with an enrollment of 590. We offer preschool programs in five local churches. International students are part of our high school population. All of our seniors go on a cross-cultural mission trip. Students can graduate with college credits. Drama, chorale, and band are valued parts of our curriculum. There are competitive sports teams. Technology is utilized in classrooms. The campus and buildings have expanded.

This is a very different school from those first classes in 1976. The founders could not have imagined the changes that would take place in those next forty years. However, the intent and purposes have remained the same. While Shalom

Christian Academy is first a school, it is a place where learning happens with a view of God and how each fits into His plan.

Those with a dream for this school purposed that students would be prepared to serve God in their communities. As those who are currently entrusted with this vision, we carry that forward. We desire that the impact of an education at Shalom Christian Academy will reach beyond the Cumberland Valley. We want our students to be able to interpret their world through a Biblical lens. We want them to be empowered to share God's love to others because they recognize their own value in Him. We want our students to be shaped for lives of consequence as they use their knowledge and academic abilities to influence the world around them.✚

A Time To Celebrate



The Middle School Girls Soccer Team were the winners of the MDCC tournament! They won the championship game against Heritage Academy 3-0.



Jane Carlson was recognized by members of the band during their spring concert for her dedication to the music program at Shalom over the past ten years! Mrs. Carlson led the band for her last time at commencement. We wish her well!

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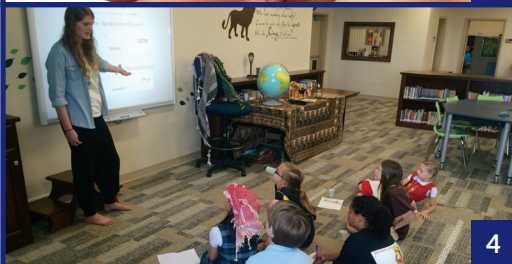
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Fun Summer Activities on the Shalom Campus



Dough Camp



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Nondiscrimination Policy

Shalom Christian Academy admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.