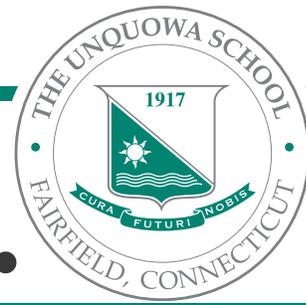


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A Message From the Head of School

The myth of “raging hormones” and their impact on adolescence is the first that Dan Siegel debunks in his latest book, *Brainstorm: The Power and Purpose of the Teenage Brain*. Dr. Siegel, clinical professor of psychiatry at the UCLA School of Medicine and Executive Director of the Mindsight Institute says that, yes, hormones do increase in adolescence, but it is brain development that is primarily responsible for behavior changes in teens. A second myth he explores is the notion that adolescence is a period of immaturity that kids have to push through and adults have to endure. The truth, Siegel says, is that we as humans thrive because of this important period in our lives. The central idea in his book is that “the work of adolescence — testing boundaries and the passion to explore what is unknown and exciting — sets the stage for the development of character traits that will enable adolescents to go on to lead great lives of adventure and purpose.”

This coming school year will mark my thirtieth year of life with Middle Schoolers, first as a Middle School English teacher, then as a Middle School Director and for the past decade as a School Head. For five of those years, I lived with early adolescence twenty-four/seven, as my own daughter and son traveled through this period of their lives. I love Middle Schoolers for their curiosity, their sensitivity and their optimism about the larger world. So whenever I read a bio of/or interview with a passionate and talented adult, I am never surprised to hear that their passion

for their life’s work began during adolescence, and now I have Dr. Siegel’s work to explain this phenomenon.

Written for both teens and their parents and based on an impressive body of brain research, this book beautifully articulates the difference between the myth and the science of adolescence. It explains in layman’s terms the identified changes that occur in the human brain from age twelve to twenty-four and how these changes are necessary to advance both the maturation and independence of the individual and the gradual advancement of our species in general. Better yet, it goes on to explain how awareness of the positive reasons for these changes can allow teens and parents alike to be receptive to them in a positive way rather than reactive to them in painful and destructive ways.

Dan Siegel’s *Brainstorm* has been a recommended summer read for all parents and for middle school students and high school alums. We invite parents and their middle and high school children to join us on the evening of Thursday, September 11, to see a videotaped conversation on this book’s topic by Dr. Siegel and to discuss our thoughts as a group of parents, faculty and students following the viewing. There is still time for kids and parents to read

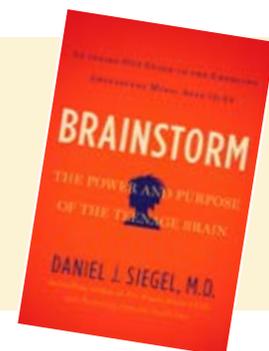
this groundbreaking book before coming together in September to discuss what we need to know about adolescence as individuals and as a human family.



Sixth grader Karli takes a risk at the Discovery Museum Adventure Park.

Sharon Lauer, Head of School

Save the Date
Summer Read Lecture & Book Discussion
 for parents and their teens
 Thursday, September 11 — 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
 Guests welcome!



Trimester III Honor Roll

Unquowa Honors

(no grade below A and no effort grade below 3)

Grade 5

Ryan Cawley
Remington Cheffer
Daniel DeGirolomo
Aaron Gruen
Alexandra Halas
William Hansen
Stephen Daniel Mezei
Sophia Mughal
Lola Panagos
Patrick Phelan
Drew Slager
Carrie Smith

Grade 6

Lucille Panagos
Jessica Price
Karli Vare
Ava Vinton

Grade 7

Rachel Albenze
Benjamin Chapin
Akash Jyothish
Quinn Mullineaux
Siddharth Sunder

Grade 8

Elysse Cadoux
Conner Calzone
Elizabeth Halas
Olivia Seymour
Alexandra Starovoitov

Honors

(B+ average and no grade below B, no effort below 3)

Grade 5

Lisi Chapin
William Geary
Adam Jehle
Naia Kocsi
Abigail Nevins
Grace Rosow
Maya Rubino
Ella Stalowir

Grade 6

Paul Blanco
Chloe Coseglia
Anne Marie Dooher
Tess Haskel
Carolyn Kokias
Jack Long
Dylan McCormick
Annie McNeela
Ryan Moss
Sean Nicholas
Robert Graham Smith
Maxwell Victor
Miriana Wasserman
Charlotte Yin

Grade 7

James Blasius
Nora Brennan
Hannah Calzone
Mary Crooks
Alexandra Deutsch
Walter Erenhouse
Hailey Hughes
Olivia Hughes
Zander Jehle
Riley Pengue
Gianna Pinto

Grade 8

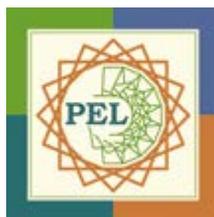
Claire Abate
Sara Adriani
Kyra Inston
Maria Katsetos
Maeve Kelly
Ayana Klein
Alexander Morse
Delaney Murray
Madelaine Register
Jackson Stalowir
Alexander Stein
Jared Sullivan
Daniel Wisdom

Gator Aid from Unquowa Raises over \$4,000



Sixteen Unquowa students participated in this year's Relay for Life and raised over \$4,000 for the American Cancer Society. Our top fundraisers, Mary Crooks and Olivia Hughes, helped us reach the Silver Team Fundraising Club. A special thank you to our parent captain, Maureen Watson!

Progressive Education Lab Program Reaches Milestones



A series of milestones marked the completion of the first two years of the PEL program at Unquowa and our three partner schools. The inaugural cohort of teaching fellows graduated in June in a ceremony at The Putney School. All four fellows will be teaching in independent schools in the fall — Aspen Golann as an art teacher at

The Cate School, Hallie Herz will teach Middle School humanities at The Key School, Dana Wolfson will be a Lower School Associate Teacher at The Calhoun School and Samson Egilman will stay on as an Assistant Teacher in Unquowa's kindergarten. We are thrilled that, having explored progressive teaching thoroughly, all four fellows have chosen to pursue teaching and have been placed in schools.

Unquowa alum and second year PEL fellow Alice Lloyd will return to Unquowa in the fall as a full time teaching fellow in our Upper School English and History program and will work with her first year mentor, Michelle Lamb and history teacher, Debbie Leidlein. After graduating from Dartmouth in 2012, Alice completed her first year of the PEL program last year, rotating through the four partner schools with her cohort. In October, Unquowa will once again welcome a new cohort of four teaching fellows for two months. These aspiring educators will work closely with their Unquowa teacher mentors gaining hands on classroom experience and pushing themselves to expand their understanding of progressive education in our PreK through eighth grade setting.



The Campaign for Unquowa

Let the Sunshine In!

The old dining room wall and windows are down and the sun is pouring in!

The new bay windows are going in over the brook and the frame for the glass wall between the dining room and the gym is going up. Our dining room is such a central gathering spot for our community and seeing the transformational impact of these improvements is thrilling! While there is still more work to be done before school starts, it is already easy to imagine our students sitting in the bay window seats for lunch and gathering there before and after school for activities.

Thank you again to all the families and friends who have supported the first three phases of the campaign's projects. We look forward to cutting the ribbon on the new dining room on the first day of school with our parents and children.

We're in the home stretch and need your help for our final act a proper stage!



The Cast & Crew from Unquowa's Upper School Spring Musical *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*

Final Act...

Last chance to make this a reality!
Donate now to build US a *real* stage!



The deadline to reach our goal is December 31st. Naming opportunity still available!

To learn how to make your donation or 3-year campaign pledge and to watch our progress, please visit www.unquowa.org/the-campaign.
For additional information contact Kate Haviland in the Development Office at 203-336-9091 or kate.haviland@unquowa.org

Museum Collaboration

Did You Know That Ponding is a Verb?

The kindergarten class learned all about how to pond at the **Connecticut Audubon Center**. First, students were introduced to pond creatures and were excited to get to touch some! Next, educators from the Audubon discussed the physical adaptations of these creatures that help them survive while asking our students to model them. Finally, we headed out to the pond to see what we could find. Armed with nets and field guides, kindergartners scooped out water and dug through sludge to uncover many pond creatures including snails, insects, lots of eggs, a few tadpoles and even a clam! A fantastic ponding experience was had by all!

Faith Barbuto, Kindergarten Teacher



5th Graders Lead Tours of the Ogden House to Younger Students

Fifth graders spent the last part of the school year researching and learning about the Ogden family, a typical middle-class colonial family who lived in Fairfield in the 18th century. Working with members of the **Fairfield Museum and History Center**, our students also learned how to be docents at the Ogden House. Weeks of preparation as docents culminated in an interesting project in which the fifth graders led the fourth grade students through a tour of this historic house. The educators at the Fairfield Museum and History Center were impressed by the outstanding performance of our student-docents, complimenting them on the depth of the research they had done in preparation for their roles.

Iman Rasti, Fifth Grade Teacher



One-to-One Chromebook Program Brings New Possibilities to Upper School Classrooms!

This fall our Upper School students will each receive a Chromebook as part of Unquowa's new "one-to-one" initiative. This project is being launched with generous support from the Unquowa Parents' Association. UPA incoming Co-President Tracy Stuart is pictured here with Mr. Mitchell and the new delivery of Chromebooks.



This initiative will give every fifth through eighth grade student their own Chromebook to use at school and at home so that they can access digital material anytime and anywhere. Having moved our students to a Google.docs environment three years ago, Chromebooks were added last year in our Upper School English classroom. Students' excitement last spring when they learned of the new "one-to-one" initiative showed that these new devices will be embraced by all! With all of their work stored "in the cloud," there will never be a concern of losing documents or projects, and the other classroom possibilities are endless.

This summer, students on our volunteer "tech crew" are helping to set up the devices and are receiving special training as Chromebook experts to support their fellow classmates. In addition, every Upper School teacher received a Chromebook to work with over the summer as they develop their lessons for the upcoming school year. Teachers have been very busy exploring the many creative ways these devices will enhance the learning experience for our students. Stay tuned for more news about this exciting initiative!

Lloyd Mitchell, Director of Technology

3-D Printer Brings STEAM to Tech Lab

The latest addition to our technology lab is a printer that "prints" a three-dimensional object in successive layers using plastic. One photo shows the printer in action as it prints a replica of a library chair (you can see the chair legs under the printhead), the other shows the final product. The chair was designed by one of our sixth graders for a math project using SketchUp, a 3-D modeling software program.

We are looking forward to the impact this addition to our lab will have on the design aspect of our STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) curriculum.



Exciting New Exhibits Added to This Year's Art Show

This year's Art Show was a wonderful retrospective of the creative achievements of the entire student body. Along with traditional favorites such as the eighth graders' elaborate printed mandalas and kindergarten students' whimsical dragons, several new exhibits delighted and amazed.

First, the fourth grade class presented their fashion designs live in the first ever Unquowa Trashy Fashion Show. The show featured original designs created by students using recycled materials such as garbage bags, coffee filters, newspapers, magazines and book covers. Our fourth grade fashion announcers described each creation in detail and the show ended with big bows from both models and designers.



Next was the screening of a video showing a collaborative effort between students in PreK-3, sixth and eighth grades. Inspired by Andy Goldsworthy's environmental art, the children worked together to create a seven foot long chain of leaves that they then sent floating down the brook along our campus — Horse Tavern Brook. The video of this

special project is available in the "Art Gallery" on the "Bulletin Board" at unquowa.org.

Students, faculty and parents were all then invited to tour the gymnasium which was filled with an array of work in different media from sculpture to painting and even origami. Thank you to all the students for your hard work and inspired designs.

*Krissy Ponden & Alice Desgranges
Art Teachers*

Hands-On Study of Monet's Style

In PreK-3, we celebrate the end of every school year with a "vintage" morning near a bridge on a beautiful piece of property just down the street from Unquowa. We carry our picnic of grapes, fine cheese, baguette and juice while wearing wide brimmed hats similar to those popular in the late 1800s. The scene is like something out of a Monet painting, the artist we've most recently



been studying. As we listen to the babbling brook in the background, we all try to paint our own version of the bridge on a canvas already prepped by seventh graders. Although people did not appreciate Claude Monet taking his family outside to eat on the lawns during his lifetime, we were very happy to practice this wonderful tradition on such a beautiful day!

*Janice Shannon
PreK-3 Teacher*



Pen & Paper is Now Online!

Pen & Paper, Unquowa's creative arts publication, announces its 2013-2014 issue! Created by students who work on the layout and editing after school, the magazine showcases the talents of students in grades five through eight. Enjoy the writing and artwork submitted by students by clicking on the link in the "Around Campus" section of our website's "Bulletin Board."

96th Unquowa Closing Ceremonies

On the last day of school, the Unquowa community came together to celebrate another wonderful school year and to honor the graduating Class of 2014.

In the morning, the entire school gathered for our Closing Ceremonies - an event filled with traditions including the recognition of summer birthdays and the reading by faculty of poignant tributes written collaboratively about each graduating class member.



After watching a special video slideshow devoted to the Class of 2014, the eighth graders formed a receiving line in the front of the gym and Ms. Lauer invited the seventh graders to “take the eighth grade seats.” This symbolic move marked the passing of the mantle of school leadership from the outgoing class to next year’s

eighth graders, the Class of 2015.

Awards announced at the Closing Ceremonies included the **Unquowa Parents’ Association Award** which was given to Nora Brennan as the seventh grade student who “has shown the most significant growth in intellectual discipline.” The **Costume Closet Key** was presented to two seventh graders for their dedication to the performing arts: Walter Erenhouse and Mary Crooks. Our Director of Academic and Social-Emotional Learning, JoAn Sabatini, received **The Virginia F. Birdsall Faculty**



Award to support her summer travels to Costa Rica where she will attend a week-long advanced training seminar on Mindfulness and Education. Finally, PreK-3 teacher Janice Shannon presented **The Ultimate Unquowan Awards** to the two graduates who began at the school eleven years ago in her PreK-3 class: Elizabeth Halas and Alex Morse.

The morning ceremony ended with our instrumental teacher, David Coe, playing *Edelweiss* as every student and teacher in the school passed by the line of graduates to wish each one a personal goodbye and good luck — ending the ceremony with high fives, handshakes and big hugs.



2014 Awards

The William J. Grippin Award
Conner Calzone

The Unquowa Award
Elyse Cadoux & Alexander Stein

The Headmaster’s Cup
Claire Abate

The Board of Governors’ Cup
Sara Adriani

The John P. Blassington Award
Elizabeth Halas

The Robert L. Cleveland Award
Olivia Seymour

Unquowa Parents Association Award
Nora Brennan

Class Agents
Maria Katsetos & Derek Grabe

The Ultimate Unquowan Award
Alexander Morse & Elizabeth Halas

Costume Closet Key
Walter Erenhouse & Mary Crooks

The Virginia F. Birdsall Faculty Award
JoAn Sabatini

The Jean Carpenter Winton
Distinguished Alumni Award
Carolyn Gaines Ruckle ‘53

96th Unquowa Commencement



Unquowa's ninety-sixth graduating class gathered in June with family, friends, alumni, the Board of Governors and the faculty and staff for a final ceremony of closure and to mark the start of their transition to high school. The Rabbi Evan Schultz offered the invocation and Salutatorian Sasha Starovoitov welcomed everyone to the celebration.

The ceremony included the announcement of several awards. Valedictorian, Conner Calzone, received **The William J. Grippin Award** for the highest academic average. Elysse Cadoux and Alex Stein were both given **The Unquowa Award** for significant growth in intellectual discipline. **The Board of Governors' Cup** for outstanding school citizenship was given to Sara Adriani and the **Headmaster's Cup** was awarded to Claire Abate. **The John P. Blessington Award** for steadfast concern for classmates and the school was given to Elizabeth Halas and **The Robert L. Cleveland Award** for a keen mind, sound body and unafraid spirit was awarded to Olivia Seymour. Eighth graders Derek Grabe and Maria Katsetos were named **Class Agents**.

The Jean Carpenter Winton Distinguished Alumni Award was given to Carolyn Gaines Ruckle '53 in recognition of her tireless work to encourage her former classmates to reconnect with the school and her support in launching Unquowa's *Carl Churchill Legacy Giving Society*. Joan Panagos, incoming Board President, accepted the award on Carol's behalf and read a letter from Carol to the graduates. Carol's words described how she came to appreciate the strength and importance of the early friendships she made during her years at Unquowa and expressed her gratitude to the school for preparing her so well.

After receiving their diplomas, the graduates heard from guest speaker, Mark Greenawalt, outgoing President of the Board of Governors. Mark emphasized the impact of the early years of education in preparing children to be good students with strong character. He reflected on his own children, Marc Thomas '10 and Danielle '11, and the ease of their transition to high school and how much they loved their time at Unquowa.

Valedictorian Conner Calzone thanked Ms. Lauer and the Unquowa faculty on behalf of his fellow graduates for their guidance and support saying "today, as we go from middle school to high school, we must say goodbye to the school community we know and love and cross the road to a bigger, busier high school community ... I know that some of us might be nervous or even scared about the next stage in life, yet I know that our teachers, families and friends have prepared us well."

With a closing benediction from Reverend Charles Allen of Fairfield University, we said a final goodbye to the Class of 2014. While we will miss this class tremendously, we wish them all the best in this next part of their school journey and look forward to their return to Unquowa on Founders' Day in the fall.



Our graduates will be attending the following high schools:

- Cheshire Academy
- Episcopal High School
- Fairfield College Preparatory School
- Fairfield Ludlowe High School
- Fairfield Warde High School
- Greens Farms Academy
- Hopkins School
- Joel Barlow High School
- Lauralton Hall
- Notre Dame Catholic High School
- Out-of-Door Academy
- Staples High School
- William Fremd High School
- Wooster School

Sports Update

Let's Go Gators!

A big thank you to everyone who helped make our 2013-14 athletics season such a huge success. We had a record number of soccer and basketball players and some of our strongest and deepest squads ever. Our field hockey and lacrosse teams were the most competitive we have had in years and our cross country team continued to be a strong presence at all Fairchester meets.

Our players could always be counted on for their best effort and a competitive spirit that was balanced with good sportsmanship. Our dedicated coaches stressed fair play, team unity and competition in a fun-filled and respectful atmosphere. Finally, thanks again to all of our fans. Your support was an inspiration to us all. We are looking forward to an equally awesome 2014-2015 season! Go Gators!



End of Year Athletic Award Celebration

In May all students who participated on an Unquowa team in the spring were recognized. In addition, our annual athletics awards were presented to students in recognition of their skill and overall accomplishments in athletics.

The **Elizabeth Curtis** and **John F. Turlick Awards** for the eighth grade girl and boy whose skill and accomplishments in athletics have been matched by their true understanding of good sportsmanship were awarded to Olivia Seymour and Alexander Morse. Physical Education teachers selected fifth grader Sophia Mughal to receive this year's **Margaret Travers Award** for overall outstanding athletic performance. **Gator Bowls** were awarded to the following eighth graders who participated on an Unquowa team every season from sixth through eighth grade: Claire Abate, Devin Blanchette, Conner Calzone, Derek Grabe, Elizabeth Halas, Alexander Morse, Olivia Seymour and Jackson Stalowir.

Al Boccamazzo, Athletics Director

8th Graders End Year with Adventure and Thrills

Class Trip to the Ranch

In keeping with tradition, the eighth grade class journeyed to the Rocking Horse Ranch in upstate New York for their four day class trip. The beautiful weather allowed the students the opportunity to participate in many outdoor activities including swimming, boating, beach volleyball, rock climbing, hiking, tennis, basketball and, of course, horseback riding. On one of the evenings, the girls enjoyed a dance party while the boys, after giving the dance a try, opted for hockey and ping pong.

Sharing this experience and time away from home with each other was a great bonding opportunity for the class before they move on to high school. Friendships were solidified and new memories created. Even though the traditional eighth grade mantra is "what happens at the ranch, stays at the ranch," it was clear that the Class of 2014 had a great time on their class trip.

*Michelle Lamb, Debbie Leidlein, Craig Knebel,
Eighth Grade Advisors*



A Day of Palpitations and Calculations

Yes, the eighth graders took their physics final at an amusement park! Our students calculated acceleration and the work done to lift a roller coaster and identified its areas of highest kinetic energy. They examined the centripetal forces in both the pirate pendulum ride and the carousel. They also calculated momentum after a collision at the bumper cars. Once students completed their tests they were free to ride the rides, but with a new appreciation for the forces, motion and energy at the core of all amusement park rides.



*Craig Knebel
Upper School Science Teacher*

Spring Musical Brings Down the House

The sixth through eighth grade students launched a new performing arts tradition at Unquowa as they put on a fantastic spring musical: *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown*.

After months of preparation and rehearsals in their drama, choral and instrumental classes, the performers dazzled our younger students, teachers, parents, families and friends with two performances.

The guitar ensemble opened with a great tribute to Charlie Brown, followed by a heartwarming and humorous show. The Peanuts gang was brought to life for the audience by our fearless young performers. Students on tech crew made the show flow smoothly and creative prop building by Mr. Doug and Mrs. Desgranges set the scene. Bravo to all on a job well done!

*Megan Kirk
Alyson Cahill
Performing Arts Teachers*



Russian Dance Troupe Teaches New Moves

What a treat to have Rossijanochka, a folk dance troupe from St. Petersburg, Russia spend the day!

Sponsored by Creative Connections, the troupe performed for the whole school in the morning, had lunch with Upper School students and then spent the afternoon leading workshops.

Unquowa students were excited to learn some new moves in the dance classes and enjoyed getting to know the visiting Russian students!



What's In Our Garden?



Third and fourth graders identified over forty varieties of vegetables, fruits, flowers and herbs as they worked together to map and record all the plants growing in the Unquowa gardens. Thanks to their effort, everything is now labeled for easy identification. Please come check it out!

May Day Celebration with Grandparents & Special Friends



In May we invited all Grandparents and Special Friends to join us in celebrating May Day at Unquowa! Visitors spent time in their students' classrooms and were excited to see what the children had been up to this year. They then enjoyed a special snack together — delicious baked goods from Chefs Jess and David. The sticky buns fresh from the oven were the biggest hit! A special assembly, with a musical performance by each class, as well as a preview of our spring musical, *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, followed snack. Everyone was then invited outside to the playground for our grand finale — the Maypole Dances by our fourth and fifth grade students. This was a fantastic way to celebrate and welcome spring!

From the UPA Record Turnout for UPA Spring Gala

Our annual Celebrate Unquowa Gala and Auction had a Kentucky Derby theme and was a huge success. Held at the Fairfield Museum and History Center, this event offered parents the chance to bid on items such as classroom projects created by their children, hard to get sporting tickets and, perhaps the most coveted auction item of all, a reserved parking space in the Unquowa lot. A very special thank you to our live auctioneers – Mark Greenawalt and Karl Martone.



The evening would not have been complete without a special tribute to Sharon Lauer in honor of her first ten years as Head of School at Unquowa. The tribute culminated with a short video highlighting our school day starring Unquowa students from all grades accompanied by our Lower School chorus singing “When I Grow Up.” It was one of those moments that reminds parents why they chose Unquowa and just how grateful we are to have Ms. Lauer at the helm at our school.

Due to the huge success of the auction this year, in

addition to the many enrichment and community activities the UPA underwrites, we were pleased to make an additional donation of \$25,000 towards the purchase of the Chromebooks for the Upper School and to support Unquowa’s ongoing Mindfulness initiative. A big thank you to the auction committee and the many volunteers who made this evening possible.

We look forward to the upcoming 2014-2015 school year and are pleased to welcome our new UPA Co-Presidents Jenn Dooher and Tracy Stuart. We are also excited to see many parents returning to volunteer their time and talents. If you have not yet found a place to volunteer, we encourage you to do so — it’s sure to be another great year!

Marianna Erenhouse, UPA President

Brownies on a Mission



Unquowa’s Brownie troop raised money to purchase and donate over 50 books for preschool students at the Mercy Learning Center’s daycare facility. Jane Ferreira, the Director of the Center, gave the girls a tour of the facilities, explained the training available to low income women and their families and showed them the classrooms where the children learn. The Brownies enjoyed their tour and felt pride in being able to help by providing books — such a thoughtful and special gift to those children in need.

Joan Panagos, Troop Leader

The Class of 2010 is Off to College!

- Andres Ayala** - University of Tampa
- Davis Baer** - University of Connecticut
- Kai Burton** - Providence College
- Stephen Cadoux** - Ithaca College
- Grace Carapezzi** - Connecticut College
- Peta-Gay Clayton** - Hofstra University
- Bailey Cooke** - University of Virginia
- Marc Thomas Greenawalt** - Wesleyan University
- Amy Greenberg** - Richard Stockton State College of NJ
- Charlie Haviland** - Northeastern University
- Charlie Jersey** - Williams College
- Erica Meno** - Skidmore College
- McKenzie Murray** - University of Vermont
(gap year in Central America and Asia)
- Tristan Schietinger** - Bentley University
- Jeremiah Starke** - Loyola University Maryland
- Timmy Steckler** - Kenyon College
- Katherine Viteretto** - Southern CT State University
- Matthew Watson** - State College of Florida
- Greg Weiner** - Ithaca College
- Matthew Weisgerber** - Washington State University

Welcome Ramtin

Dr. Iman Rasti, our fifth grade teacher and his wife, Faranak, welcomed their first baby, Ramtin, on April 23, 2014. Ramtin and mom visited at the end of the school year.

He has an amazing head of hair — adorable!



Alumni News

Jon Richard (Turlick) Turner '48 celebrated his 80th birthday this spring in the Netherlands where he lives with his wife Troya. After early work in radio (hence the name change to a "spiffy Dick Turner") he is now a recognized pioneer in Prenatal Psychology. He and his wife are widely published in the field and received the Elda Scarzella Mazzocchi Award in 2012 from the International Society for Prenatal & Perinatal Psychology & Medicine. He continues to edit medical journals and dreams of returning for Unquowa's 100th anniversary in 2017 to visit "the finest school in the world!"



Steve '60, Jon '55 and David '58 Truslow spent a morning visiting Unquowa this spring. Walking through the classrooms and hallways sparked many memories and moments of "oh, do you remember when..." They reminisced about former classmates and teachers and had fun going through old yearbooks and graduation photos where they found their sister, **Lucy "Gill" Truslow '63**. Jon is a passionate photographer and a retired facility director in the healthcare sector in Boston. David lives in Virginia and is a psychologist working primarily with youth. Living part time in Brooklyn, Steve is retired from his own custom architectural woodworking business. Gill is an artist living in New Hampshire (www.gilltruslow.com) and has retired after teaching art for 34 years.



George '10 and Imogen '08 Almond of Berkhamsted, England connected with former Unquowa friends **Charlie '10 and Grace '13 Haviland** during a summer visit to London. George is involved in local theater and recently played Edna in *Hairspray*. He is exploring colleges for next fall and plans to study science. Imogen is in her third year at Durham University in the UK where she is studying history with an emphasis on the Middle East. Grace will be a sophomore at Fairfield Ludlowe and Charlie will be entering the College of Computer Science at Northeastern University.



Alumni at Commencement



Reagan Sayles Carroll '99 and Dan Carroll were married on June 28 at Hamilton College, where they first met. After their wedding



reception at Harding Farm in Clinton, NY the newlyweds left for their honeymoon in Iceland. The couple resides in Washington, DC. The bride and groom are pictured above with **Eric Haseltine, Brad Topar** and **Michelle May** from the Class of 1999.

Grant Smith '08 graduated from Avon Old Farms School and has just completed his freshman year at The University of Alabama. He enjoyed his first year at Alabama where he is considering pursuing a degree in business and plays club ice hockey. Grant is pictured here with his former history teacher, Mrs. Leidlein.



Amy Greenberg '10 returned for a second teaching internship at Unquowa this spring. She worked primarily in our PreK-4 classrooms gaining hands on experience assisting in planning and teaching lessons, activities and projects. Amy will attend Richard Stockton State College of NJ in the fall to study early childhood education.



Elizabeth '11 and Jessica '08 Kremer stopped by for a visit at the end of the year (pictured here with Sharon Lauer). Jessica is a junior at Scripps College and is majoring in Asian studies. Elizabeth will be a senior at St. Luke's School in New Canaan and is looking to pursue studies in drawing following graduation.





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*Cura Futuri Nobis ~
The Future is in Our Care*

We are looking forward to another great school year!

