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Where are they now?

Walker College Foundation (WCF) has been providing scholarship funds to students since 1998. **In 2015, we began a full-tuition scholarship program to support students through a two-year associate degree or associate in applied science degree.** We keep in touch with your scholars. Because of your support, this is where some of your graduates are now!

Taylor Rowe (Curry HS - WCF 2018 grad) graduated from UAB in December with a **Master's in Occupational Therapy**. At UAB, she was selected for the Pi Theta Epsilon Occupational Therapy Honor Society - top 35% of her class. She was a Transdisciplinary Team Grant Recipient and was featured on the UAB President's List for all five semesters of her didactic classes. Taylor begins her new career with University Orthotic Clinic in Tuscaloosa working in hand therapy. She plans to obtain a certification as a **Hand Therapist** to be able to better help clients who experience injuries,



Taylor earns second degree from UAB.

surgeries, or trauma to the upper extremity in order to promote greater participation and function in their everyday activities.
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Congratulations to your newest graduates!

Six of your scholars graduated from Beville State in August 2022 and December 2022. Thank you for your support as they reach for their dreams!

Maranda Wilson (Carbon Hill HS) and **Emma Fincher (Meek HS)** earned associate degrees in **Nursing** in August 2022. They are already working in their chosen field. **Maranda** began working with Children's Hospital in the Pediatric ICU Unit.



Emma & Maranda earned Nursing degrees in Dec.

She plans to work on a bachelor's degree in Nursing after she has gained some work experience. **Emma** is working for Walker Baptist Medical Center in Labor & Delivery. She will begin classes at Jacksonville State in January to earn a bachelor's degree in Nursing.
Nick Keeton (Jasper HS), Jon-Rex Cain (Jasper HS), Madison Aycok (Dora HS), and Jacob Davis (Red Bay HS) completed their associate degrees in December 2022.

Nick earned an associate degree in **Nursing**. He plans to continue his education toward a bachelor's degree in Nursing.

Jon-Rex and **Jacob** earned associate in applied science degrees in **Machine Tool Technology**. Jon-Rex currently works for A&A Machine and Welding.
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Your scholars give back to the community. - Page 2

Your scholars enjoy holiday community service events



WCF scholars collected toys for Capstone Rural Health Center in November. They wrapped the toys during their December Scholar's Lunch. The toys were distributed to the children of Capstone's clients.



WCF Scholars decorated a tree donated by Bankhead Land & Timber Company for Hope for Women's Festival of Lights event.



WCF scholars spent a day ringing the bell for the Salvation Army's Kettle Campaign. The bell outside Son's Supermarket is sponsored by Sue Ellen Rowland Summers in memory of Dr. David Rowland.



Where are they now? (continued from pg. 1)



Justice Evans and his family

Justice Evans (Cordova HS - WCF 2016 grad) is now managing his family's business, Evans Welding. They work in metal fabrication and built the metal hand rails in downtown Jasper. He is married to Alicia and has two daughters, Brooklynn and Hazel. They are expecting their third daughter in February. He also plays in a band called Runaway Rhonda.

Jonathan Sargent (Jasper HS - WCF 2017 grad) was a guest speaker for our **November 2022 Scholar's Lunch**. He is an electrical engineer working with Alabama Power's

Substation Services Group and has decided to begin a **Master's in Information Engineering Management** from UAB.

Trenton Burton (Curry HS - WCF 2018 grad) married his fiancé, Anna, in November. Trent is now teaching 9th and 10th grades at Oakman High School and coaching basketball and baseball.

Cyle Roberts (Carbon Hill HS - WCF 2017 grad) has returned home after serving overseas with the U.S. Army. He is continuing his education at UAH for a degree in **Mechanical Engineering**.

Your newest WCF graduates (continued from pg. 1)

Madison transferred to **Auburn University** in Fall 2022 before completing an associate degree from Beville State. She was able to earn her associate degree by transferring class credits backwards (back transfer) to Beville State for the last classes required for an A.S. When her A.S. was issued, Walker College Foundation sent a WCF Transfer Scholarship to Auburn University to help with Madison's college tuition and expenses. Madison is pursuing a degree in **Elementary Education**.



Jon-Rex Cain



Madison Aycok



Nick Keeton

Memorials & Honors

Below is a list of individuals who have been remembered or honored by friends or family with a gift to the Walker College Foundation. Donations were made between September 2022 - December 2022.

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Judge Alton & Veni Blanton

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Anonymous

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Marthanne Brown's Birthday

Holly Trawick

Kevin Callahan's Birthday

Holly Trawick

Pam Callahan's Birthday

Holly Trawick

Terry L. Cain

Terry & Melissa Hanes

George Deavours

Sharon & Barry Key

Karen & Heath Shumate

Abbie Drummond

Anonymous

Vicki & Mike Drummond

Anonymous

Juanita Eads

Patricia Ferrell

Thank you so much! Your gift keeps on giving and makes a difference through your lifetime and beyond!



ERA Byars Realty provides donation

Thank you to **ERA Byars Realty** - Carol Byars and Jacob Sanders – for providing a scholarship donation during **WCF's Giving Tuesday Campaign**. Their gift helped us

reach for our WCF Giving Tuesday goal of a one-year scholarship for a student in our community to attend Beville State Community College in 2023.



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Clint McLain Agency provides scholarship

The **Clint McLain Agency**, an affiliate of Globe Life Liberty National Life Insurance, was awarded \$7,500 from Liberty National's "Make Tomorrow Better" initiative. The Agency chose to use their donation to fund a **2022-24 Walker College Foundation scholarship** for a student from Walker County.

Liberty National's "Make Tomorrow Better" initiative allows agencies of Liberty National to give back to local organizations. It is awarded to agencies noted as Council of Champions members of the Globe Life Liberty National Division. This is the sixth time the Clint McLain Agency has been awarded this designation.

Clint McLain began his career in the life insurance industry in 2002. The agency currently has six offices located throughout Alabama and Tennessee. McLain calls Walker County his home. His wife, Kelly, is an educator, and their three children attend Jasper City Schools.



McLain commented, "We love this community and we are excited to partner with Walker College Foundation to help 'Make Tomorrow Better' in Walker County through education!"

The Clint McLain Agency Scholarship was awarded to **Raegan Dunagan**. Dunagan is the daughter of Jeremy and

Sherrae Dunagan of Jasper. She is a graduate of Curry High School where she was a member of SGA, National Honors Society, BETA Club, FCCLA, and Peer Leaders. She was featured on the A and A/B Honor Rolls and served as a Peer Tutor. She has helped her community by volunteering with the Salvation Army, Student Elementary Aid, at the VA, and in local nursing homes. Dunagan plans to earn an associate degree from Beville State and transfer to a four-year college for a degree in **Child Psychology**.

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