



ORANGEBURG PREPARATORY SCHOOLS, INC.

# tribal TALK

Fall 2016



Keagan  
Riser



Ward  
Jolles

Each year, Orangeburg Prep teachers elect two senior students to represent the school as Mr. and Miss Indian. This is not merely a popularity contest, but is based on several factors, including scholarship, character, and contributions to the greater good of our school.

This year's Miss Indian is awarded to Keagan Riser. Keagan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gregg (Kena) Riser of Bowman. She is a member of the National Honor Society, was a graduation marshal, and a Palmetto Girls State Delegate. Keagan is also the senior class president, has been active in the Key Club and has played varsity tennis. She has taken vocal and piano lessons. Keagan also has her own photography business, Keagan Riser Photography.

Mr. Indian is presented to Ward Jolles. Ward is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Alan (Shannon) Jolles of Orangeburg. He is President of the Student Body, was a graduation marshal, and is a member of the National Honor Society. Ward has been active in the Student Council, band, and Key Club and has participated on the bowling and soccer teams. He also won the South Carolina Voice of Democracy Award. Ward is also 1st Vice President of the Executive Board of the South Carolina Independent School Student Association.

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On June 2, 2016, Mrs. Rosemary McGee accepted the position of Interim Head of School. Mrs. McGee is known by most of the Orangeburg Prep family since she has been associated with the school for over twenty-five years, holding many positions of responsibility. She has taught French for twenty-four years, served as the Upper School Administrator for five years, and one year as the Upper Campus Administrator. She was named SCISA 1997 Teacher of the Year. Mrs. McGee has been the senior class advisor for twelve years, including sponsoring the senior class trip to Washington, D.C. She has proven herself invaluable, and the entire board, faculty, and staff are confident she will utilize her outstanding leadership abilities as the search for a Head of School is completed.

Mrs. McGee graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Columbia College. She also has many post-graduate hours in French. Mrs. McGee is married to Edgar McGee and they have two children, who are both married. She also has three grandchildren.



**C**oach Jan Stoudenmire enters her twentieth year as head coach of the Lady Indians. Stoudenmire took over the head coaching job in 1996. Before this, she was head coach of basketball, softball and tennis, where she won numerous state championships. She has over 650 varsity career wins.

Coach Stoudenmire holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education and a minor in Biology from Limestone. She attended Limestone on a basketball and softball scholarship. In 2000, Stoudenmire was inducted into the Limestone College Hall of Fame. She is married to Frank Stoudenmire and has two children.

Coach Stoudenmire was appointed Orangeburg Prep's Athletic Director in August 2016. With her expertise, dedication, hard work, and passion for all student-athletes, Orangeburg Prep's athletics will be heading in the right direction. Coach Jan has made many sacrifices and will give selflessly of her time for the OPS athletic program.



The Music Department is getting ready for the Christmas Program that will be held on Friday, December 2nd, during an AM Assembly in the Upper Campus Gym. All sixth and seventh graders will be participating in the program. We will have many "guest" participants from the eighth through twelfth grades this year as well. All parents are encouraged and invited to attend. Student participants in the program should wear field trip attire or better. Festive Christmas clothing (Christmas sweaters, red, blue, green, bright blue, etc.) would look wonderful! *Students will wear field trip attire with shoes other than tennis shoes and flip flops.*

## The 12 Days of Christmas in New York

Parents of K4 through second grade students are invited to this performance.

December 15th

1:00 PM

Parents of CDC and third through 5th grade students are invited!

December 16th

8:30 AM

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*Pictured above left to right:*

**Front row**

Ms. Kathy Creech: STEM

Mrs. Stacey Respass: 4K Assistant

Miss Kristi Hoffman: 1st Grade

**Second row**

Mr. Brooks Smith: Econ, Government, History

Mrs. Sheila Watts: 4th Grade Teacher

Miss Caitlin O'Donnell: 5th Grade Teacher

Mrs. Sunny Stroman: 4K Assistant

**Back row**

Mrs. Carol Tant: Lower Campus Media Specialist

Mrs. Sharon Pace: 1st Grade Teacher

Mrs. Lindsey Worrell: Lower Campus Art

Mr. Andy Palmer: Head Football Coach, Weightlifting

**Top Right Inset**

Mr. Jay Hutto: French Teacher

**Bottom Right Inset**

Mr. Tommy Fogle: Maintenance Supervisor



**Aubrey Allen Palmer**

Born October 5, 2016. 11:03 AM

9 lbs. 8 oz.

Daughter of Coach Andy Palmer and wife, Heather

## 2016-2017 Board of Directors

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# First Semester Exams

## **FIRST SEMESTER EXAM DATES**

**11:30 dismissal for gr. 6th-12th only: December 13th-December 16th**

<b><i>Friday, December 9</i></b>	REVIEW DAY
<b><i>Monday, December 12</i></b>	REVIEW DAY
<b><i>Tuesday, December 13</i></b>	First Period exams (8-9:30 AM) Second Period exams (10-11:30 AM)
<b><i>Wednesday, December 14</i></b>	Third Period exams (8-9:30 AM) Fourth period exams (10-11:30 AM)
<b><i>Thursday, December 15</i></b>	Fifth period exams (8-9:30 AM) Sixth period exams (10-11:30 AM)
<b><i>Friday, December 16</i></b>	Seventh period exams (8-9:30 AM) Make-up exams (10-11:30 AM)

**11:30 dismissal for ALL students : Friday, December 16th**

### **Information for Parents and Students:**

- Students do not report to homeroom. They should report directly to their exam period.
- Students may exempt the first semester under the following conditions:
  - A. Seniors—(1) with at least a 90 average in year-long classes and in compliance with the OPS policies, (2) with an 85 average in an Honors course and in compliance with the OPS policies, or (3) with an 80 average in an AP course and in compliance with the OPS policies or (4) attend the minimally required sessions of the senior seminar.
  - B. Students (6th-11th) may not exempt the first semester exam unless the course is a semester course.
  - C. Students taking a semester course may exempt the first semester exam with an average of a 90 (seniors with an 87) and in compliance with OPS policies.
- Students need only to be here based on time period of testing. Sixth graders (5th period) and seventh graders (4th period) do not have to report for their rotation classes. Eighth graders do not have to report for their physical education class. If these students report to school, they must report to B-4 during their rotation or physical education class periods.
- Students having two exams on the same day may *not* leave the campus between exams.
- Students having to arrive at school for one test only (8-9:30 AM) but having to stay afterwards will go to B-4 for supervision (Mrs. Garrick.)
- Students having personal vehicles can arrive and depart based on the time period of testing. Once students leave the campus, they may not return unless they have to pick up other students for a ride home.
- Students who have an exam at 8:00 AM but do not have an exam at 10:00 AM may leave school at the end of the exam so that they may go home and study. If they have to wait for a ride, they must go to B-4. No one should be in the halls or outside the buildings.
- Students who do not have an exam at 8:00 AM but have an exam at 10:00 AM do not have to arrive at school until 9:50 AM for their 10:00 AM exam. If a student arrives for a second exam before 9:30 AM, he/she must report to B-4.
- Students who have no exams on a given day do not have to report to school.
- All rules, **including the dress code**, will be in effect during exam days. A Level-1 detention will be awarded for non-compliance!





Tuesday, October 25th  
5:30 PM Upper Campus Gym

*Haunted House  
Canteen  
Games  
Cotton Candy  
Other fun events!*



6:00 PM  
(4K and younger)  
6:30 PM  
(5K and older)



Visit the "Band" Booth  
for something good to  
**EAT!**

OPS Halloween Carnival  
Tuesday, October 25th,  
Upper Campus Gym  
5:30—7:30 p.m.

- Casseroles
- Cookies
- Pies
- Cakes
- Candies
- Many other items!

*Homemade!*



AS WE IMPROVE  
FOR YOU



The Upper Campus Library is in the process of being renovated and updated. Upon completion, Orangeburg Prep's Upper Campus Library will have new carpet, furniture, and twenty-five new computers.



School was not in session on the following dates:

**September 2nd** Hurricane Hermine  
**October 6th** Hurricane Matthew  
(The October 6th storm lasted through our Fall break holidays. On Tuesday, October 11th, we had a thirty-minute late arrival.)



November 2, 2016  
Holocaust Guest Speaker  
1:30 PM

Upper Campus Gym

This presentation goes beyond the facts and stresses the importance of positive thinking to overcome adversity.

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# McGee's Memos

A wonderful tradition began over two decades ago as a result of one woman's interest in travel, language, and personal growth. In the summer of 1993, Rosemary McGee studied in France as she pursued her dream of becoming a certified French teacher. In the summer of 2016, she fulfilled a promise to her French students—she took nine of them to France! Students attending this past summer were Guy Watkins Best, Annie Blair Davis, Turner Jones, Payton Sawyer, Nicole Workman, Michael Burnham, Ward Jolles, Sam Mani, Logan Robertson, Logan Teague, Jillee Anna Walter, Amber White, Andy Walter, and Liam Worley. This excursion was a wonderful way for the students to broaden their horizons and get a different perspective.

The excursion began on June 6, 2016. The group explored the city of Paris, the Mediterranean Sea, and journeyed to Spain. Visit this ten-day trip by reading the article Nicole Workman, OPS junior, shares on the link below:

<http://www.orangeburgcc.com/sites/default/files/pdfpublish/ATESeptember2016/index.html>







## HOBY World Leadership Congress (WLC)

**B**ILL METTS, OPS junior pictured circled above, was one of 420 ambassadors from the United States, as well as international students, who attended HOBY's annual international youth leadership event. He was selected in the Fall of 2015 by the OPS faculty. Bill attended the South Carolina HOBY Leadership Conference at Furman University in the Spring of 2016, which was a three-day seminar with hands-on leadership activities. He was nominated by the conference attendees to attend the World Leadership Congress in July 2016. This was held in Chicago, Illinois, and consisted of high school students from all four corners of the globe. The ambassadors convened for a week-long, life-changing, educational, and leadership skills-building program. HOBY's World Leadership Congress is designed to allow students to discover their own personal leadership potential while becoming responsible and responsive global citizens.

Participating students have the opportunity to engage with thought-leaders in a wide variety of fields. They also participate in hands-on leadership learning and activities, in addition to service opportunities throughout the week. After the week-long program, students left inspired and motivated to articulate and accomplish their goals, as well as make positive changes in their local and global community.

Congratulations to Bill Metts for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity!



## "Alyssa Bukszar's Love of Modeling with a Mission to End Bullying Wins a Larger Platform"



An Orangeburg Preparatory School student has won a larger platform for sharing her anti-bullying message. Alyssa Bukszar, 12, of Orangeburg, was crowned Young Miss South Carolina during the 45th annual Little Miss & Teen Miss South Carolina Pageant, held in July in Hartsville. Alyssa, the reigning Young Miss Charleston South Carolina, said she was delighted by her recent achievement and plans to continue her anti-bullying campaign following her win.

"I love it. It's very fun, and I love to help others. My platform is anti-bullying," Alyssa said. She has been bullied herself and speaks to others about the adverse effects of bullying. As Young Miss South Carolina, Alyssa will travel the state representing her title and making appearances on behalf of Palmetto Health Children's Hospital, the Little Miss & Teen Miss South Carolina Pageant, and the state of South Carolina.

*With Love,  
Sean*

This is an article to recognize a very special young man. The background of the story is as follows: On Friday, September 23, 2016, the varsity volleyball team at Orangeburg Preparatory School was sponsoring a "Tackle Cancer" fundraiser. T-shirts were being sold at an entrance table at the OPS/Calhoun Academy football game. Since I'm the parent of a senior volleyball player, I volunteered to sit at the table to sell t-shirts.

In the midst of the excitement of the rival OPS/Calhoun football game, shirts were being sold at a rapid rate. To simply describe the atmosphere, it was heightened excitement and exhilaration. Around half-time, a young man walked up to the "Tackle Cancer" table. Like the calm in a storm, he handed over 3 small tickets. He quickly said in a quiet voice that he needed to leave the game. With the football game ongoing, it was very difficult to hear ANYTHING. At the time, I didn't have any idea who he was nor what the tickets were connected to; but I held the tickets for him at the table.

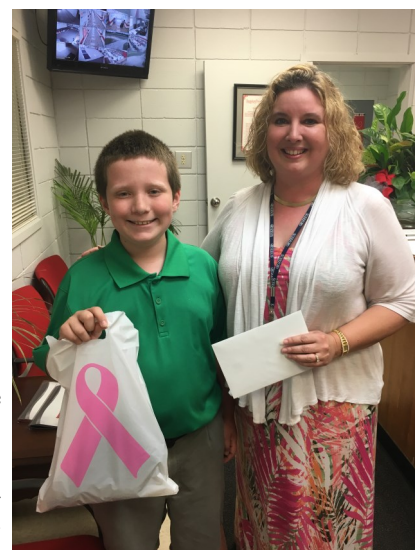
At some point, the announcer began calling out the "winning numbers." You will not believe it...He won! HE Won!! HE WON!!! Marlee Robinson (Varsity Volleyball player working at the table too) ran the ticket to the announcer to claim the prize...but we didn't know the young man's name..

Immediately we started on a quest to find this young OPS Band member since he wore a band shirt. After twenty-four hours with Principal McGee's diligence, the band leader, Ms. Sullivan, identified the young man. What a remarkable discovery!

The money was delivered to Mr. Sean Green, a fourth grader, on Monday morning at the Lower Campus Office. Thinking he would be thrilled to win \$106 from the 50/50 football game drawing, he calmly smiled and said he wanted all the winnings to be donated to the Varsity Volleyball's "Tackle Cancer" research fundraiser. I was literally moved to tears. A fourth-grade caring young man was willing to donate one hundred percent of his winnings to a charity that was close to his family.

Thank you, Sean, for sharing this experience with so many people and the entire OPS Varsity Volleyball team. Your humble spirit blessed more lives than you can imagine. What a wonderful example of generosity and humility! It is our privilege to know YOU!

*Submitted by Mandy J. Baltzgar*



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## "Yes, I Know — I Don't Have Legs"

As a kid, Pamela Reynolds (OPS junior), now 17, had to have her legs and some of her fingers amputated. But it hasn't stopped her from walking with pride.

*Everybody is different, and so is everybody's story of self-acceptance. That's why Seventeen decided to team up with Instagram to launch the #Perfectly Me campaign. When you use and share the hashtag, we hope you will connect with a movement that encourages you to feel confident exactly as you are.*

Yes, I know — I don't have legs. A shark ate them while I was surfing! Just kidding. That's not really what happened. The true story isn't nearly as cool, but here it is: When I was a baby, I had meningitis (a disease that infects the fluid around the brain and spinal cord), and I had to have my legs and some of my fingers amputated.

Because everything happened when I was so young, how I look has never seemed weird to me. I consider my body normal because this is just the way I am. I grew up with a pretty strong self-image because my parents and sister have always told me that I'm perfect and I believed them. But I've had to deal with other people's awkward stares and reactions to my prosthetics, and that's when it hits me that I don't look like most people. I've wondered, Is that okay? Should I feel sad? But then I remind myself that I rock at life. You name a sport and I've done it: cheerleading, softball, tennis, track, swimming. These days, I play varsity soccer and volleyball, and I even have a job as a lifeguard. I may not have "real" feet, but I can save your life because I'm tough like that.

So, yeah, I know what it feels like to be different — and that's not a bad thing. But more importantly, I also know what it feels like to score a winning goal and to swim faster than someone who has already counted me out. My body can do what anyone else's can do — and a lot of times, it can do it even better.





On September 20th, five Student Council and National Honor Society students, along with Advisor Lynn Garrick and driver Al Hay, attended the South Carolina Independent School Student Association's Fall Conference. The conference was held at Summerall Chapel on the campus of The Citadel. It was a very rewarding experience learning how our student government works and exchanging ideas with other schools. Pictured above left to right with Mrs. Garrick are Bill Metts, Evan Bair, Frank McConnell, Banks McConnell, and Ward Jolles, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the SCISSA Board.

## Junior Student Council

On Thursday, August 18th, Junior Student Council Officers participated in a Junior Leadership Workshop at Camp Leopold in Summerton, South Carolina. Officers who attended were Olivia Strickland, Peyton Inabinet, Yogi Parmar, and Paige Hewitt. These students worked together to complete an obstacle course and took a stroll through the woods to investigate native wildlife.



Zachary Fisher  
Seventh Grade



October  
**Kiwanis**  
Students of the Month



Matthew Zeigler  
Eighth Grade

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## Homecoming 2016 Queen & Court



Left, Ashlie Brickle (Homecoming 2015 Queen) crowns our 2016 Homecoming Queen, Addison Walter.

Pictured in the car (bottom right) are our Homecoming Queen, Addison Walter, and Maid of Honor, Logan Robertson. Driving the car is Athletic Director, Jan Stoudenmire.

The court is nominated by students in grades ninth through twelfth. Senior Student Council sponsors this event each year. Senior Student Council Advisor is Mrs. Lynn Garrick.

Special thanks to Kevin Bair Photography for providing these pictures!

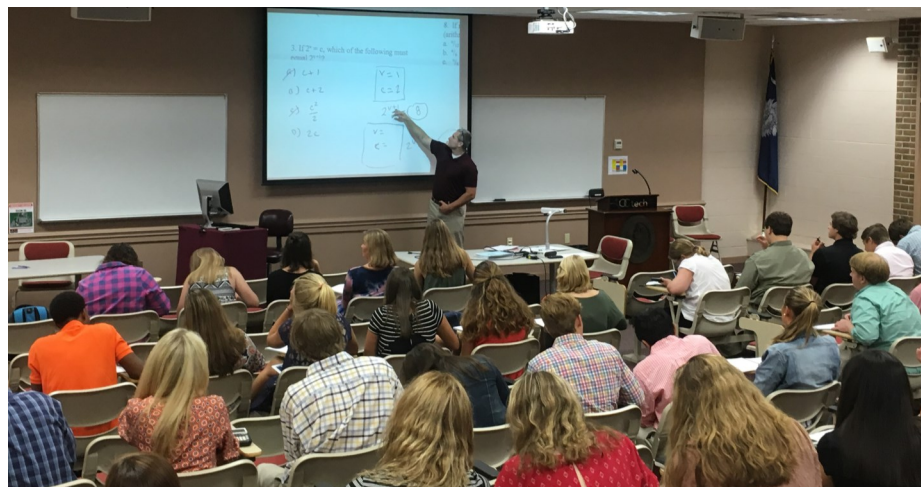


Pictured top left to right:  
Addison Walter escorted by Arjay Clarett  
Lilli Nettles escorted by Aaron Causey  
Maddey Fort escorted by Scoville Reynolds  
Logan Robertson escorted by Huntley Wolfe  
Nicole Ayer escorted by Trent Bair  
Annika Gupta escorted by Evan Bair



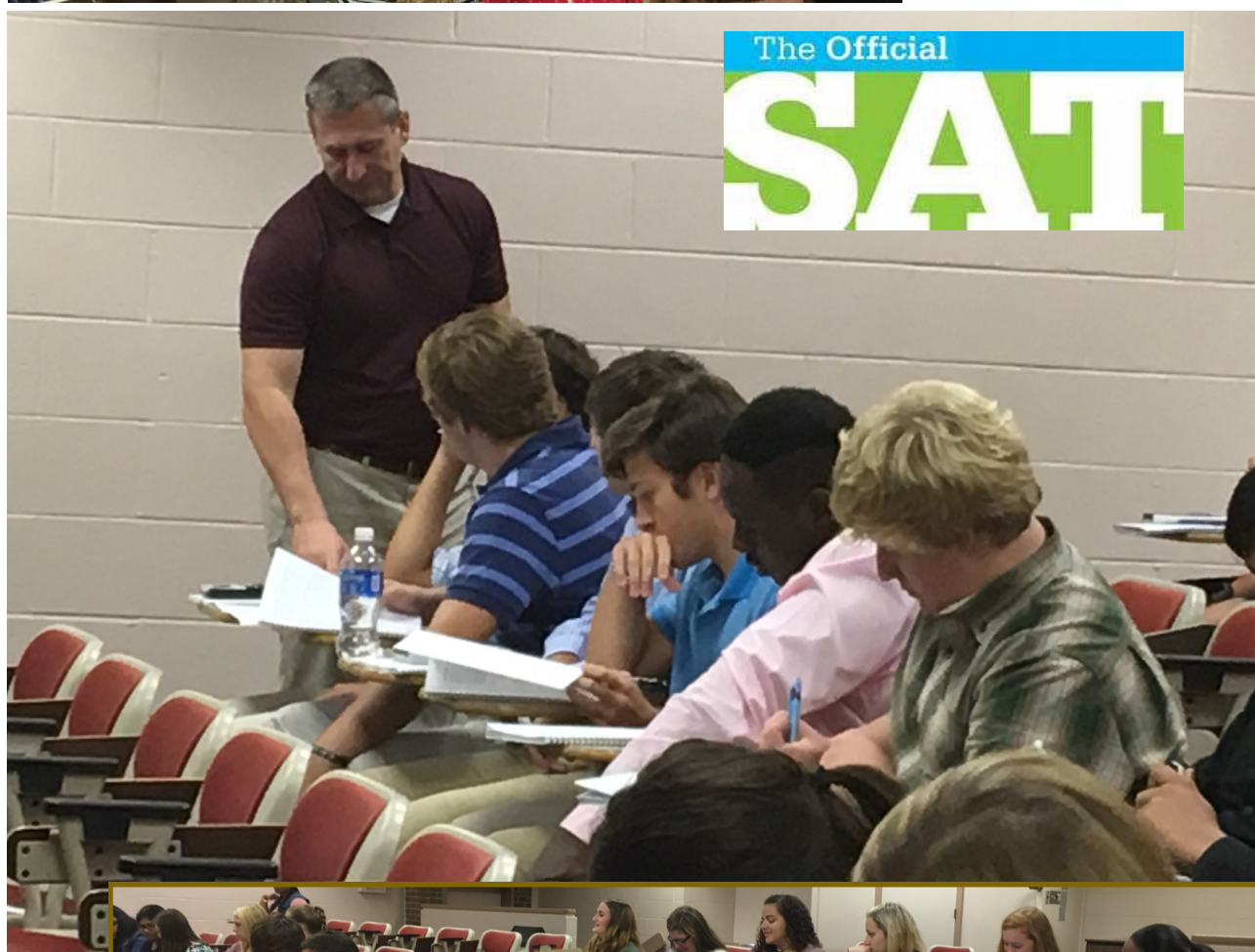


# Orangeburg Prep - Preparing for College



Seniors and juniors traveled to O-C Tech Thursday, September 22nd, to participate in a SAT Prep workshop with Jonathan Wilson. The students learned strategies to help improve their scores in the Math and Evidence-Based Reading & Writing sections of the SAT.

Mr. Wilson modeled questions and answers and gave the students opportunities to ask questions. He also provided some one-on-one help when needed.





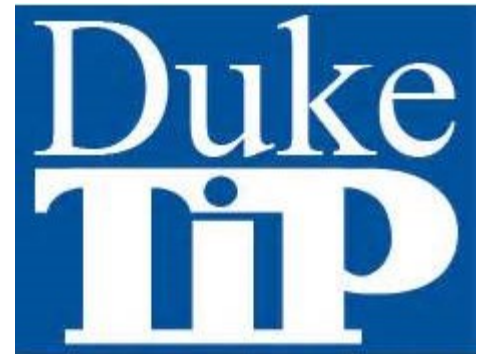
# George Grice Scholars

To be eligible, eighth graders had to score at or above the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile nationally on the ACT Aspire taken during the spring of the seventh grade, and be recommended by the Head of School.

***Pictured left to right:***  
***front row:*** Peyton Inabinet, Tanner Garrick, Madison Weeks, Cate Williams.  
***Back row:*** Brady Crider, Landon Toole, Sam Brenn.



Bailee Garrick was inadvertently not named during the 2016 Fifth Grade Graduation for her participation in Duke's TIP program. We apologize for the oversight, and we are so proud of Bailee's accomplishment.



The prestigious Duke Talent Identification Program identifies seventh graders at Orangeburg Preparatory School as being eligible to participate in its Seventh Grade Talent Search. Students eligible for Duke

TIP had to score in the 95th percentile on ACT Aspire. They are also encouraged to take the SAT or ACT test as seventh graders--the same one that college-bound high school students take. Pictured left to right front row: Cate Fogle, Ryn Grubbs, Anna Brake Plummer, Blakely Valentine; back row: Zachary Fisher, Cade Wiles, and Preston Ray. Pictured on the inset above right is Connor Brandon.

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# 80s Day

*Photos compliments of Nicole Ayer.*



Spirit Week theme days are an OPS tradition that was celebrated October 11th—October 14th. This is a time to promote school spirit, unify the student body, and make fun memories for the students and teachers to cherish for a lifetime. Students look forward to dressing up each day to match that day's theme. This year's themes were:

**Tuesday:** 80s Day

**Wednesday:** Favorite Disney Character Day

**Thursday:** America Day

**Friday:** Crazy Spirit Day

We hope you treasure some of the random pictures taken by Nicole Ayer.



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# OPS Spirit Days

## Favorite Disney Character Day



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**FIRST DAY OF  
SCHOOL**  
*Senior Year*

The Class of 2017 began the Senior year with a role play using the classroom setting to illustrate their theme, "Friends." The traditional celebration of the beginning of the senior year took place in center court of the Upper Campus Gym amidst much hoopla!





Bill Metts is a junior running back and outside linebacker on the 2016 Varsity Indians Football Team. This preseason Bill was selected as an Elite 11 player by the Times and Democrat. This recognition goes to the top 11 players, regardless of classification, in the Orangeburg area and surrounding counties. During the Indians Week Zero 29-14 win over Hilton Head Prep, Bill rushed 23 times for 146 yards and 3 touchdowns. On defense, he recorded 9 total tackles, 2 tackles for loss, and a fumble recovery. For his performance in this game, Bill was recognized by the Orangeburg Touchdown Club as its Defensive Player of the Week. He and his parents, along with Mrs. McGee, Coach Stoudenmire, Coach Gillam, and Coach Palmer, attended the opening meeting and luncheon for the 2016 season of the Orangeburg Touchdown Club on August 25th, where he was presented his award by legendary SCSU Coach Willie Jeffries.



"Bill is the epitome of the Student/Athlete. He is as good in the classroom as he is on the football field and vice versa, and that is saying a lot. It is an absolute honor to coach him. His teammates recognize his abilities, and he makes everyone around him better when he is on the field."

Friday night, September 23, 2016, was a great night to be an Orangeburg Prep Indian as the varsity football team hosted arch rival Calhoun Academy and came away with a hard fought 12-6 win. Leading the way that Friday night was Senior Co-Captain Aaron Causey. Aaron led the defensive effort that held Calhoun Academy to 114 total yards of offense by contributing nine tackles, four assists, and two tackles for loss for a combined—24 yards. For his performance in this game, Aaron was selected by the Orangeburg Touchdown Club as its Defensive Player of the Week. He and his parents were present at the club's weekly meeting on October 6th to be recognized and receive his award.

"Aaron Causey has been a leader in the Meeting Room, Weight Room, Practice Field, and of course, on the Game Field from day one. He plays both offensive guard and inside linebacker for us and contributes as well on most special teams. He's one of those guys that you have to have on the field for us to be successful. His work ethic and commitment level are outstanding. He gets better each week, and I can't wait to see how good he can be by the end of the season."

**Congratulations to Bill Metts and Aaron Causey on being selected the Orangeburg Touchdown Club Defensive Player of the Week, August 25th and September 23rd!**







## *High-Spirited Bonfire Pep Rally*

On Thursday evening, September 20th, a bonfire was held to cheer on our varsity football players in their rivalry game against Calhoun Academy. Pictured left are the varsity cheerleaders. **A BIG SHOUT OUT** from Coach Jan and the Athletic Department to the varsity cheerleaders, Mrs. Tennille Williams, the art class, and Mr. Tommy Fogle for helping make our Bonfire Pep Rally a huge success and so much fun! The varsity football players defeated the Calhoun Cavaliers 12-6. Go Indians!

*Photo compliments of Keagan Riser Photography*



The 2016 OPS Volleyball Team won second place in the region and will be headed to the State Tournament at the Myrtle Beach Sports Complex. The match will be played at noon on Friday, October 21st. Good luck, Lady Indians and Coach Nelson!



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## Teamwork, on and off the Playing Field

Members of the Orangeburg Prep football team spent some of their Saturday morning practice time unloading trailers full of blankets bound for humanitarian relief efforts in war-torn areas of Africa and the Middle East. “It would have taken eight men hours to accomplish what these forty-five guys were able to do in twenty minutes,” said assistant coach Dr. Sam Lambrecht.

The boxes of emergency blankets were stacked onto pallets and will be shipped overseas through Global Aid Network (GAIN), the humanitarian arm of Cru, formerly Campus Crusade for Christ. The local effort was coordinated by Marvin Bozard, field strategist for GAIN, and Randy Boland of Bowman, who spends many hours volunteering for the ministry.

“Sometimes you just have to chuckle at the way God answers prayers,” Bozard said. “When I called Sam Lambrecht presenting the fact that we had a semi and another large trailer loaded with boxes and I needed help, I was thinking he would connect with some Orangeburg church partners we had worked with in the past, hoping to get eight to ten people to show up. Having the entire football team made light work out of a potentially hot, laborious job.

“Teamwork makes a difference on the football field as well as on the mission field,” Bozard said.

For more information about Bozard’s ministry, go to [gainusa.org](http://gainusa.org), and for more information about Orangeburg Preparatory Schools, go to [orangeburgprep.com](http://orangeburgprep.com).





It's time to kick-off our 2016-17 Annual Fund Campaign at Orangeburg Prep! This year's Annual Fund will be used to make much needed improvements to our Lower and Upper Campus security. Unfortunately in today's world, we must never assume or take for granted a child's safety.

While tuition dollars pay for faculty salaries, utility bills, curricula supplies, and other regular expenses; gift dollars to the Annual Fund go towards school-wide additions and enhancements that will take the educational experience at OPS to the level necessary for student success in today's competitive world. Every gift, no matter the amount, will help, and every gift is an investment in the future of our children and our community.

Thanks to our gracious donors last year, more than \$40,000 was raised to improve our libraries. Construction is currently underway at the Upper Campus library to add modern design elements, new carpet, comfortable furniture, and updated software and computers. To make their learning environment even more fun, our little ones will enjoy new tables and seating at the Lower Campus library, as well as new software and computers.

In honor of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of OPS, let's strive for the most successful campaign in our school's history. Please consider donating today and remember all contributions are tax deductible.

For an up-to-date list of alumni contributors, please visit  
[http://www.orangeburgprep.com/PDFs/Development\\_AnnualFund\\_15-16.pdf](http://www.orangeburgprep.com/PDFs/Development_AnnualFund_15-16.pdf)

Please contact [mmcelhone@orangeburgprep.com](mailto:mmcelhone@orangeburgprep.com) for more information or to make a donation.

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**Thanks again for your support!**

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# 3RD ANNUAL OPS GALA

## Southern Soiree

Funds raised by the 2016 Gala, The Southern Soiree, were used to purchase new textbooks and curriculum materials. Lower Campus has new Math, Social Studies, and Spanish textbooks, while Upper Campus is enjoying new History, English, and Spanish textbooks. Thanks to all who supported the event. And special thanks to our generous donors, sponsors, and planning committee. The OPS family always unites to support our students!



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# OPS PRIDE CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2016**

Orangeburg Country Club  
2745 Griffith Drive



**11:00am:**  
Check-In & Lunch  
Rules & Announcements

**12:00pm:**  
Shotgun Start  
Awards Ceremony at End of Play

Proceeds will benefit the 2016-17 Orangeburg Preparatory Schools Inc. Annual Fund that will be used to make improvements to our Lower and Upper Campus security.

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### HOLE SPONSOR - \$125

Signage on Tee or Green, Recognition at tournament

*Number of Holes:*

*Business Name:*

### DRIVING RANGE - \$125

Signage on Range, Recognition at tournament

*Business Name:*

### PUTTING GREEN- \$125

Signage on Range, Recognition at tournament

*Business Name:*

*No outside coolers, beverages or food allowed*

### TEAM OF FOUR - \$400

Four Person Captain's Choice Teams

Includes golf & lunch for 4

*Business/Individual Name:*

*Team Member Names & Handicaps:*

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

*Number of Mulligans:*

Cost - 2 for \$15

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## Mr. & Mrs. Russell Grosslight



Lainee Rosemarie Craft, Class of 2012, and Russell Joseph Grosslight were married on July 23, 2016. Lainee is currently a senior at Clemson University majoring in Visual Arts and will be graduating in May 2017. The couple resides in Clemson, South Carolina.



Rosemary Reed McGee, Class of 1998, and Charles Blair Foster were united in marriage on September 10, 2016.



## Mrs. Blair Foster



## Dr. & Mrs. James Marshall Olesen

Megan Summers, Class of 2007, and Dr. James Marshall Olesen exchanged wedding vows on May 7, 2016. Megan is a 2011 graduate of Clemson University with a BS in Health Sciences and a 2013 graduate of The Medical University of SC in Charleston with a BS in Nursing. The couple reside in San Antonio, Texas, while Dr. Olesen completes his residency on Urology.



## Mr. & Mrs. Madison Felder

Madison Felder, Class of 2005, and Jennifer Ilse were wed on July 30, 2016. Madison is a 2009 graduate of Wofford where he received a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. He was awarded a Juris Doctorate from the USC School of Law in 2012 and an LL.M in Taxation from the University of Florida. He is employed with the firm of Parker, Poe, and Bernstein.







Melissa Samies, class of 2005, and Jason David Sklodoski were married June 4th, 2016, at The Springdale House and Gardens in Columbia, SC. Melissa graduated from Winthrop University with a B.A. in History, and is an Assistant Director for Big Blue Marble Academy in Irmo. The couple resides in Chapin, SC.



Brice Parker, Class of 2005, married Christie Mallard on August 6, 2016. The couple resides in Georgetown.



### **BENNETT MICHAEL WISE**

Son of Emily (Class of 2002) & Michael Wise

Born August 16, 2016

7 lbs.

8 oz. 20.5 inches

Piedmont Medical Center, Rock Hill.

Bennett was welcomed home by his big sister, Emma Kate, who is 6 years old.



### **ELLISON TALLEY JUDD**

Daughter of Kendall Salley Judd (Class of 2007) & Ryan Judd

Born July 16, 2016

6 lbs. 12 oz.



### **CHARLES ERNEST TEAGLE**

Son of Jessica Walton (Class of 2001) & Drew Teagle

Born June 2, 2016 7 lbs. 8 oz.

21 inches long

The Teagles reside in Atlanta, Georgia.





**JOHN DAVID SMITH**  
**"Jack"**

Son of Katie &  
David Smith (Class of 2001)

Born August 16, 2016

8 lbs. 20.5 inches

David and Katie are living in the  
Spring Valley area of Columbia.



**SULLIVAN JAMES CLAYTON**  
**"Sully"**

Son of Rebecca &  
Michael (Class of 2005)

Born September 13, 2016

7 lbs. 7 ozs.

18 3/4 inches long

Resides in St. Matthews, S.C.



**ROBERT FORD BARNWELL**  
**"Ford"**

Son of Mary Ellen and Brian  
Barnwell (Class of 2002).

Born: August 12, 2016

7 lbs 8 oz

21 inches long

Reside in Eastover, S.C.



**COKER DEMPSEY**

Daughter of Nacole DeAbate and  
Parker Dempsey (Class of 2003)

Born July 2016

Resides in Orangeburg, S.C.



**WILLIAM FANJOY WOOTEN**  
Son of Tara and Patrick Wooten  
(Class of 2001)

Born September 23, 2016

Welcomed home by sister,  
Emma (3 years old.)

Resides in Charleston, S.C.



**MILLS WILLIAMS**

Daughter of Nikki Rutland Williams  
(Class of 2006) and Kyle Williams

Born June 2016

Resides in Orangeburg, S.C.





In June 2016, Gail Hildebrand Delaney hosted a class reunion luncheon for the Class of 1966 at her home in Orangeburg. Approximately 20 people attended, including several members of the Class of 1965 and former faculty member Mrs. Catherine Campbell. Pictured from left to right. Back row: Mike Clark, Larry Triplett, Philip Rand, George Limehouse, Charlie Smoak, Dick Gailard. Front row: Sandy Myers Deny, Charlotte Best Seignious, Gail Hildebrand Delaney, Gwen Ulmer Peeples, Laurel Culler Rand.



The graduating class of 2006 celebrated their ten-year reunion August 26th and 27th in Orangeburg. Members of the class cheered on the Indians together Friday night at the football game. Saturday night twenty-one members of the class gathered at Funny Farms at the Willington Lakes apartments for a BBQ dinner. Classmates enjoyed reminiscing about favorite memories from OP and laughing at old pictures. The weekend was organized by class president Jackie Bryant.



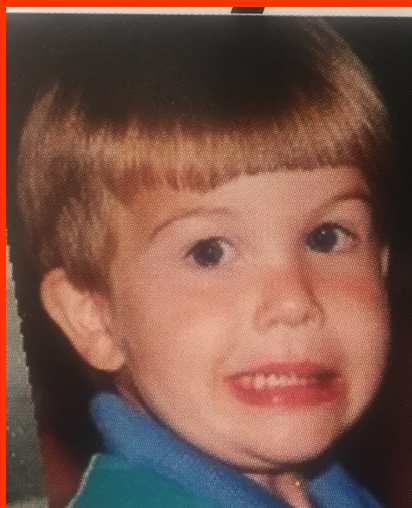
## Class of 1991



The Class of 1991 gathered on June 18, 2016, at OPS for their 25th Class Reunion. It was a great group of friends who reunited after all these years! It was really great to see everyone and catch up on some fun times.

Pictured left to right front row: Jason Cote, Manette Cone Kaufman, Ashley Sandal Ray.

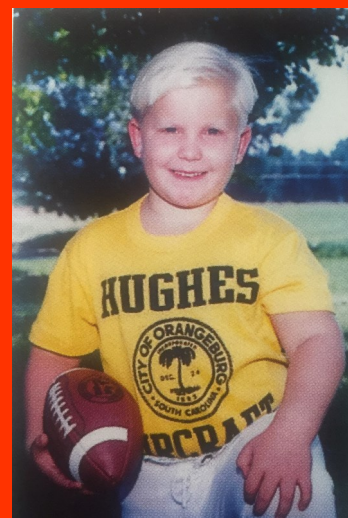
Back row: Richard Lackey, Luke Bonnette, Jeff Williams, Brian Henson, Tiffany Tatum Rowland, Michael Gingrich.



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## Blast from the Past

**Remember these good times?** Guess who they are! The answer is on the last page.



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Clare Wannamaker, Class of 2014, graduated from Paul Mitchell with honors in September of 2016 and is currently working at Glamour Girl on Dantzler Street in Orangeburg, South Carolina. She specializes in foiling, balayage, makeup, as well as men, women and kid's cuts and styles.

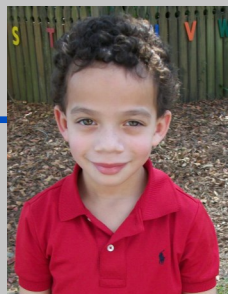


## Wall of Character

### RESPECT — September Character Trait



Ms. Mary McFadden



Masen Rivers  
4K



Mrs. Libby Ray  
Science Department Head



Scoville Reynolds  
Eleventh Grade



Evan Bair  
Eleventh Grade

### OBEEDIENCE — October Character Trait



Mrs. Angie Bair  
Third Grade Teacher



Ella Vallentine  
5K



Coach Andy Palmer  
Head Football Coach  
Physical Education  
Weightlifting



Peyton Sandifer  
Eleventh Grade



## SEE YOU AT THE POLE

September 28,  
2016

From Orangeburg Prep's CDC, three-year olds, and our fifth graders, the front of our campus was filled with students coming together as ONE!

The Upper Campus also participated in this event.



## Hard Work Pays Off for Rheney Bates

OPS fourth grader, Rheney Bates (pictured alongside one of her pigs, Big Boy), is an active member of her local 4H. Since June, Rheney has been preparing for the 4H Junior Barrow Show at the South Carolina State Fair. On Tuesday, October 17th, she participated with her two pigs, Big Boy and Rocky. Big Boy weighed 302 pounds and won fifth place overall and an award for Average Daily Gains, and Rocky weighed in at 278 pounds and won seventh place. We are proud of her hard work and dedication.



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Above pictured are Orangeburg Prep students and faculty supporting their favorite super hero, Jacob Hall, who was killed in a school shooting earlier this year. Orangeburg Prep sent their sympathies and condolences to his sweet family and to the faculty, staff, and students of Townville Elementary in Townville, South Carolina. Orangeburg Prep students wore their "Super Hero" shirts to honor him on October 5, 2016.

## 'Big-hearted' Girl Found

Carley Walling, OPS seventh grader, showed an act of kindness by sending a note to a law enforcement officer. The note said, "Did you know it is BIG to dedicate your lives to ours? So this is just a thank you card for that!" It has a picture of an officer labeled "a cop" and a little girl labeled "me." The girl is saying to the officer "My hero." In addition to her thank you, Carley presented officers with chocolate chip and sugar cookies. She baked the cookies with her grandma. The card followed a sermon the family heard earlier in the day at First Baptist Church in Orangeburg about police.

Sheriff Ravenell said the note came at a time when law enforcement officers have been under a lot of scrutiny.

Carley is the daughter of Bert and Chianne Walling.



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Check out our Senior Bulletins page at [orangeburgprep.com](http://orangeburgprep.com)!

October 25th 5:30-7:30 PM Halloween Carnival; Senior Class sponsors Haunted House  
November 12th Senior Class to visit Court House  
November 15th 4:30 PM Senior Class BBQ on Whitman Street (take-out only)  
December 6 Second deposit for Senior Class Trip: \$200



The SCISA Choral Clinic was held at the USC School of Music on Thursday, October 13th. We had five middle school and five high school students who were very excited about attending this event. They will sing as part of the High School Honors Chorus at the Headmaster's Meeting in November.

Middle school students attending the SCISA Choral Clinic were Gabby Bell, Skylar Jeffcoat, Zealie Kimzey, Harper Sanders and Dakota Tyson. High School students in attendance were Megan Adams, Sofia Andre, Turner Jones, Charlotte Palmer and Shivani Patel.



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**Jay Hutto, Class of 2009**  
OPS French Teacher

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**Brooks Smith, Class of 2005**

OPS Economics/Government, Finance, and World History Teacher  
Assistant Coach JV & Varsity Football

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