



*For I know the plans I
have for you, declares the
Lord, plans to prosper
you and not harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.*

Jeremiah 29:11



St. Peter's Church, West Penn

Graduate Recognition Sunday

June 26, 2022

Congratulations to Our Graduates!

It's that time of year again when we honor those who have achieved the distinction of graduating – whether it be from college, technical school, high school, or preschool. Please join with us in celebrating the accomplishments of the following young people who are part of the St. Peter's family:



College –



Andy Fogel, son of Jeff and Ann Fogel, graduated from Pennsylvania College of Technology Williamsport, on August 7, 2021 earning an Associate of Applied Science in Heavy Equipment Technology, an Operator Emphasis Associate of Applied Science in Landscape Horticulture Technology plant production Emphasis. He is currently working at Lehigh Asphalt, Andreas, PA.

Jesse Fogel, son of Jeff and Ann Fogel, graduated from Pennsylvania College of Technology, Williamsport on May 14, 2022. He earned an Associate of Applied Science in Diesel Technology. He is currently working for Eckroth Equipment Company, Orefield, PA.





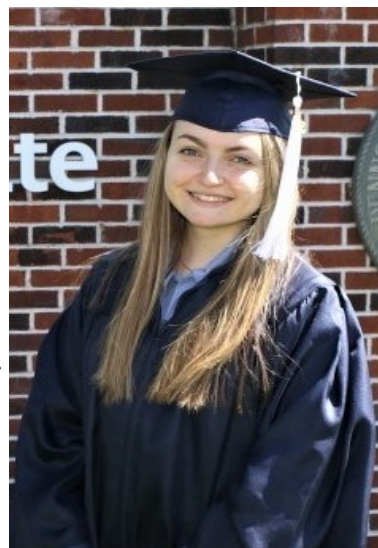
Anthony Iacoviello, son of Tammy Iacoviello and the late James Iacoviello, is a recent graduate of Drexel College of Medicine. He is a brother of Andrea and fiancé of Morgane Bulpin (Also grad of same Med School). He was a recipient of a Student Council Award . Anthony was a Member of AOA(Alpha Omega Alpha) Honor Medical Society. Future plan attending residency at Beth Israel Deaconess hospital Boston Massachusetts for 3 years in Internal Medicine

Allison Miller, daughter of Joan and Allen Miller graduated from The Pennsylvania State University with a bachelor's degree in Animal Science with a Business Management focus. She was a member of the Dairy Science club, the Block and Bridle club, and the Collegiate Cattlewoman's club. During Alison's time at Penn State, she also completed an internship at Hall's Calf Ranch in Kewaunee, Wisconsin raising roughly 9,000 calves for surrounding dairy farms. Her future plans are to stay involved in agriculture and hope to have a few cows of my own.



Arienne Serniak, daughter of Joseph and Michele Serniak, recently graduated Summa Cum Laude from Duquesne University with a Doctorate of Pharmacy Degree. Her recognitions included Acute Care Concentration, Rho Chi Honor Society and received the Ethel J. Heath Scholarship Award. Arie was a member of the American Pharmacist Association, the Phi Lambda Sigma Leadership Society and the Lambda Kappa Sigma Fraternity. She will be a Resident Pharmacist at UPMC Mercy Hospital.

Madeline Tonkin, daughter of Jack and Shawn Tonkin recently graduated from Penn State University, Schuylkill Campus May 7, 2022 earning an Associates of Sciences Degree in Radiological Sciences. While at Penn State, Maddie was a member of the radiology club and a Deans List student. She completed her clinical rotations at St Luke's Miners Campus and Hershey Medical Center and in August she will be accepting a position with St Luke's at their Care Now facility in Mahanoy City.



Brooke Zellner, daughter of Shelly Babinchak and stepdaughter of Michael Babinchak, graduated from the University of Rhode Island in May 2022 with a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology. Brooke was a dean's list student every semester and graduated with Magna Cum Laude along with being a member of the Phi Sigma Theta National Honor Society. Brooke will begin graduate school at Cedar Crest College in the Occupational Therapy Doctorate Program this September. She completed her internship at Hasbro Children's Hospital in Rhode Island and plans to continue working with children once she obtains her doctorate degree.



High School –

Ricky Houser, son of Rick & Kym Houser, is a 2022 graduate of Lehigh Area High School. He was a 4-year member of the varsity football team and served as co-captain his senior year, a 3-year member of the wrestling team and a co-captain his senior year and a 2-year member of the track and field team. He also was lineman MVP in the Schuylkill County All-Star North Team. He also was a junior coach for the Lehigh youth football team. He spends time weight lifting and camping and fishing. He will be attending Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology in the fall for HVAC and will be a member of the football team.



Makayla Kester is the daughter of Kyle and Barbara Kester and a graduate of Tamaqua Area High School. She was the Secretary of the Class of 2022, Vice President of Raiders Step-Up, President of World Language Club, a member of TASGA and the Editor in Chief of the 2022 Yearbook. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society and English National Honor Society. She was a four year member of the Jazz Chorale and Concert Choir as well as a four member of Track and Field, a two year manager of the football team and was the 2021 Tamaqua Area Homecoming Queen.

Makayla's favorite hobbies include dancing and theater. She has had the opportunity to perform in Disney Springs, Fl., The Citrus Bowl, Fl., (2) Royal Caribbean cruises and Times Square, New York. Makayla volunteers at Carbon County Friends of Animals, CSI Camp and DARE. She plans on furthering her education by attending Misericordia University to study Radiation Therapy.



Alyssa Marie Myers, daughter of Carissa and Daniel Myers II, from Lehigh, PA recently graduated from Lehigh Area High School. She was a member of the National Honor Society, Top 10% of the class, and The Senior Class Secretary. Alyssa was a 4-year varsity starter of the girls' soccer and softball teams and have been a captain of the girl's softball team for the past 2 years. Her future plans are to continue her academic and athletic careers at Lock Haven University. Alyssa will play division 2 soccer and will be majoring in Finance. In her free time she enjoys hanging out with my family and friends, eating ice cream, playing with her dog, Mossy, and hunting and being outdoors.



Emily Tonkin, daughter of Jack and Shawn Tonkin graduated from CCTI (Carbon County Technical Institute) on June 3 2022. She completed AP studies and is certified as an Auto Service Technician. She has accepted a position at Lehigh Kia as a porter and assistant service writer.



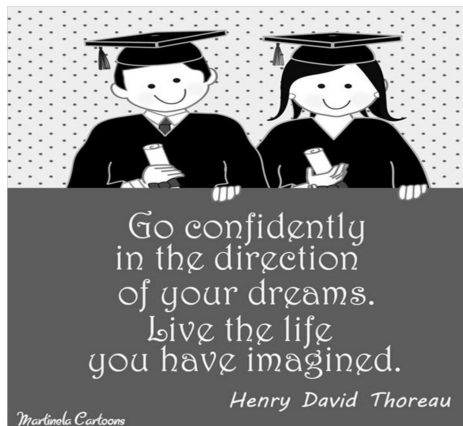
St. Peter's Preschool –

Kenton Foster, son of Tyler & Rachael Foster graduated from St. Peter's Preschool in May 2022. Kenton enjoys playing t-ball in the Spring, but he is most excited to be back playing soccer this Fall. He can be found outside riding his four wheeler with his puppies (Bailey, Bob, and Ally), or most often he is out in the fields farming with dad and pap! Kenton would like to be a farmer when he grows up!



We thank God for the gift of these young people to their families, to our faith community, and to the world in which they live. May all that they do today and in the future be a reflection of God's glory!

Congratulations and many prayers for success for each of you in the months and years ahead!



“Everything’s always ending. But everything’s always beginning, too”.
— Patrick Ness

“There is no passion to be found in playing small, in settling for a life that is less than the one you are capable of living”. —Nelson Mandela

“Don’t cry because it’s over. Smile because it happened”. —Dr. Seuss

“You may never know what results come of your action, but if you do nothing there will be no result”. — Mahatma Ghandi

“The noblest question in the world is: What good may I do in it”?
— Benjamin Franklin

“Success is stumbling from failure to failure with no loss of enthusiasm”.
—Winston Churchill

“Don’t underestimate the power of your dreams”. — Corinna Kong

“What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us”. — Ralph Waldo Emerson

“The important thing is not to stop questioning”. — Albert Einstein

“There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind”.
— C.S. Lewis

“The best way to predict your future is to create it”. — Abraham Lincoln

“No, sky is not the limit. It is only the beginning”. — Donovan Livingston

“Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead, where there is no path and leave a trail”. — Ralph Waldo Emerson

“Dream big. Work hard. Think for yourself. Love everything you love, everyone you love, with all your might. And do so, please, with a sense of urgency, for every tick of the clock subtracts from fewer and fewer”.
—David McCullough Jr.

“Wherever you go, go with all your heart”. — Confucius