Health Pre-Professions Newsletter

Summer 2017

The Fab 3

Sports, music, movies and many other venues are replete with stories of greatness involving a handful of individuals. Though CN is blessed with many great students, especially in the area of health pre-professions, this article will focus on our “Fab 3” – three stellar student athletes who graduated this past spring. As many are aware, success in a health pre-professional program requires more than just intellectual ability. There has to be something noteworthy about the student, something extra they bring to the plate. This “something extra” could be anything outside the classroom (theater, sports, forensics, community work, etc.). Graduation of spring 2017 saw a record number of graduates, many of which graduated with honors (cum laude, summa cum laude, and magna cum laude). Three health pre-professional student athletes who graduated magna cum laude were Paul Kirby, Nancy Claire Smith, and Sawyer Williams.

Paul Kirby: Paul’s hometown is Goodlettsville, TN. Having transferred into CN, Paul quickly established himself not only as an outstanding student but also a key player for the baseball team. Playing first base, Paul received numerous awards for his scholastic and athletic achievements. His senior year, he was named the South Atlantic Conference's inaugural winner of the Elite 18 award. This award is given to a student-athlete for exceptional work not only in the field of competition, but also in the classroom around the community. His on-the-field achievements include: Finished the year second on the team in batting average .339; Was sixth in the league in runs knocked in with 52; Seventh in slugging percentage at .629; Eighth in total bases with 112. In recognition of his outstanding play, he won the SAC and TSWA Player of the Week laurels on April 18 after going 6-for-15, a .400 batting average, at the plate with three home runs, 12 RBIs while scoring six times in four games. In his two seasons on the field for CN, Paul helped the team to a 60-45 record that included a second place finish in the 2017 SAC Championships where he led all players with 10 RBIs.
Nancy Claire Smith: Nancy Claire grew up in Franklin, TN. Possessing excellent time management skills and an outstanding work ethic, she managed to very successfully juggle varsity swimming with a double major in Biochemistry and Religion, and a minor in Oxford Studies. Nancy Claire’s notable achievements and awards in the pool include: All-American in the 800 Free Relay; Honorable Mention All-American in the 200 Free Relay; Won Carson-Newman's first-ever Elite 90 Award at the NCAA Division II Swimming and Diving Championships for having the highest GPA at the Championships; Reset the school record as a member of the 800 Free Relay. In 2016, Nancy Claire was named to the 2016 CoSIDA Academic All-America At-Large team. She is the first female recipient of a spot on the at-large team in Carson-Newman history. As a senior she received Carson-Newman’s Academic Athlete of the Year. Academically, Nancy Claire made Dean’s List and Eagle Scholar the entirety of her Carson-Newman career and earned membership into the Theta Alpha Kappa Religion Honor Society and Alpha Chi Honor Society at Carson-Newman. As part of her minor, she did a summer studying abroad at Oxford University where she completed a research paper on Baptist history at Regent’s Park College at Oxford.

Sawyer Williams: Sawyer grew up on a farm in Owenton, KY. Having spent most of his life caring for and working with animals, veterinary medicine was a spot-on choice for him. A prolific men's basketball player for Carson-Newman, the All-SAC forward and the Eagles’ 23rd 1,000-point scorer has also garnered his fair share of ribbons and medals as a goat farmer in his home state of Kentucky. Sawyer, a senior biology major, has maintained at least a 3.25 GPA all four years at Carson-Newman to earn Eagle Scholar honors in all four seasons. A four-time Dean's List member, Sawyer has been named to the South Atlantic Conference Commissioner's Honor Roll in each of the past four years. This past season and during his junior year, Sawyer was named Academic All-District by the College Sports Information Directors Association. As a senior, Sawyer was voted the South Atlantic Conference men's basketball Scholar-Athlete of the Year. Sawyer is the first Carson-Newman men's basketball player to garner the accolade under head men's basketball coach Chuck Benson and the first for the program since Jesse McMurray won it in 2007-08. Sawyer joins McMurray, Jonathan Martin (2004-05), Brad Woolsey (2000-01) and Collin Martin (1997-98 & 98-99) as the sixth Eagle honoree.

We applaud Paul, Nancy Claire, and Sawyer for their many accomplishments both in and out of the classroom. As student athletes, all three personified qualities that others should emulate. For our current and future health pre-professional students – these are people you should model.
In The News

Carson-Newman is now a smoke free campus: Carson-Newman University’s Department of Public Safety has announced a change in the on-campus smoking policy. Effective immediately, the 125-acre campus is designated as smoke-free. Smoking and the use of smokeless tobacco or personal vaporizer devices, including electronic cigarettes, are not allowed on campus. This prohibition includes all buildings, facilities, parking lots, athletic fields and stadiums, the main campus grounds and parking lots. Prior to this policy change, designated smoking areas were located throughout the campus. Those areas now fall under the new policy. We in health professions applaud this action.

Sarah Swann Residence Hall receives upgrade: Carson-Newman University’s oldest building received an upgrade over the summer. The front porch of Sarah Swann Residence Hall was renovated and replaced. Colonel A. R. Swann built Swann Hall in 1904 in memory of his mother. The building was renovated in 1965 and again in 2002.


U.S. News & World Report: Carson-Newman teaching is No. 1 in the South: Carson-Newman University is named No. 1 in the South for best undergraduate teaching according to U.S. News & World Report's 2016 Best Colleges Guide. Carson-Newman is also named to the Top 10 in the "Best Value Schools" category.

Princeton Review: Carson-Newman "one of the best in the Southeast" for 2016: The Princeton Review has again named Carson-Newman University as one of the best schools in the Southeast. The education services company recognized the nation’s top quarter of four-year higher education institutions in its "2016 Best Colleges: Region by Region" list.
## SCHOLARSHIPS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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<td>Brandon Tuggle, a junior pre-medical student from Knoxville, TN, is the recipient of the Dr. James Chapman Scholarship for this year. Brandon is a Biology major at CN.</td>
<td>Lacey Dupont, a junior pre-medical student from Sevierville, TN, has been selected to receive the Stuart Paul Hinchey Scholarship for this year. Lacey is a Biology major at CN.</td>
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<td>Brandon Brown, a junior pre-dental student from Gallatin, TN, is the recipient of the Dr. and Mrs. Chris Mathews Scholarship for this year. Brandon is a Biology major and minoring in Business at CN.</td>
<td>Gianna Liao, a junior pre-medical student from Chattanooga, TN, has been selected to receive the Dr. and Mrs. James H. Harris Scholarship for this year. Gianna is a Biology major and minoring in Psychology at CN.</td>
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**Mark your calendars**

Homecoming for this Fall 2017 is on Saturday, October 21st. We hope you’ll be able to attend.
THE TRADITION CONTINUES

As of August 5th, 14 of our HP-P students have gained acceptance into professional school for next year in 6 different career areas.

**Medicine**
- Austin Carrier  
  LMU
- Courtney Cosby  
  St. Louis Univ
- Sarah Couch  
  Liberty Univ
- Paul Kirby  
  LMU
- Emily Logue  
  Quillen
- Jared Reed  
  Quillen
- Alex Robinson  
  LMU

**Physical Therapy**
- Elizabeth Masengil  
  UTC
- Devin Rogers  
  ETSU

**Pharmacy**
- Corey Bray  
  South College

**Veterinary Medicine**
- Sawyer Williams  
  Auburn

**Mortician School**
- Kerri Yokely  
  John Gupton College

A NEW JOURNEY BEGINS: PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL GRADUATES

This is an attempt to honor our C-N alumni who recently graduated from professional school. There is always a risk that some will be omitted, but please accept our apology if errors are made and please help us correct our mistakes in the next edition of this newsletter.

**Pharmacy**
- Courtney Prichard Allen  
  Union University
- Megan McCarter Kranz  
  Samford University

**Physical Therapy**
- Corey Gaines  
  UT-Memphis
- Emerald Proctor  
  ETSU

**Medicine**
- Jennifer Bowman  
  Quillen
- Josh Hall  
  University of Arkansas
- Glory Ledbetter  
  University of Bridgeport
- Callie Booher Lugo  
  VCOM

**Physician Assistant**
- Ben Pomy  
  UT-Memphis
- Kevin Quinby  
  KCU-COM
- Chance Lewis  
  Des Moines

**Dentistry**
- Megan Golia
WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!!

Name ___________________________ Professional School Attended __________________________

Home Address _____________________ Professional Degree(s)/Year __________________________

________________________________ Specialization ________________________________

Home Phone _____________________ Place of Employment ________________________________

E-mail Address _____________________ Business Address ________________________________

Spouse’s Name _____________________ Year C-N Graduation/Attendance ______________________

Children’s Names ___________________ Check here if this is a new address ____________

Will you allow C-N students to shadow in your professional setting? Yes or No

Can you help with the HPAC interviews on Monday nights? Yes or No

Professional Activities (awards, positions, publication, etc.) Photographs are also welcome.

Please e-mail you information to: stkarr@cn.edu or ffrance@cn.edu

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
2016 - 2017

The following are the members of the Health Professions Advisory Committee at Carson-Newman:

Patsy Boyce Christine Dalton Greg Stanley

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