



## *Congratulations to our Graduates!*



### EMILY SYKES

Emily is the daughter of Bob and Sherry Sykes and graduated from West Virginia University in December 2024. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Journalism with an emphasis in Advertising with minors in Marketing and Event Planning. She is hoping to eventually relocate to Pittsburgh to begin her career.



### KODY BAKER

Kody is the son of Season Jones and is graduating from New Kent High School in New Kent, VA. While in high school, Kody participated in Bridging Communities Culinary Classes, Landscaping, and Mixed Martial Arts (including Muay Thai and boxing). He will be attending the Culinary Institute of America in New York pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Food Business Management (Culinary Arts). Kody's future plans include working in a Michelin star restaurant or opening a restaurant of his own.

*(Editor's note: Kody was the chef for the Oxfam Banquet sponsored by SPC in March.)*



### GIGI BROWN

Gigi is the daughter of Thad and Wendy Brown. She is graduating from Arcadia University in Glenside, PA with a B.S. degree in mathematics and a minor in bioinformatics. While at Arcadia, she was a four-year member of Arcadia's swim team and a lifeguard at their pool. She was the lead math tutor at the college learning center and a member of the math and actuarial science club. She will be attending Temple University in the fall to pursue her Ph.D. in bioinformatics. She offers these words of wisdom

for upcoming college students—"You're a lot more capable than you think, follow your interests, and be a nice person."



### AVA JOYCE

Ava is the daughter of Greg and Christa Mastrangelo Joyce. She is graduating from high school after being homeschooled by her mother for her education. Her activities include playing the guitar and she was a member of the Sea Snakes Swim Team at Shepherd University. Ava plans to attend Hagerstown Community College in the fall and transfer to West Virginia University in the spring. She will be majoring in psychology.

### KATIE MYERS

Katie is the granddaughter of Linda Kelso. Katie is graduating from the University of Maryland with a double major, a B.S. in Kinesiology and a B.A. in Psychology. She plans to enter Northwestern University in Chicago in the fall to pursue a three-year Doctorate in Physical Therapy degree.

### MAEGYN KELSO

Maegyn is the granddaughter of Linda Kelso and is graduating from Martinsburg High School. Maegyn will enter Shepherd University in the fall to major in psychology.



### MAKAYLA NANA-ADJOA ESSIEN

Makayla is the granddaughter of Lynn Dampman and will graduate from Spring Mills High School in Martinsburg, West Virginia. In the fall, Makayla plans to pursue an IT degree at Towson State University in Maryland.



### TY PARKER JAHNIGEN

Ty is the nephew of Lynn Dampman and will graduate from Millbrook High School in Virginia. Ty will attend Wilkes College in Wilkes-Barre, PA where he will play football while pursuing a mechanical engineering degree.