



*Sapientia et Scientia*

## Samuel Fuller School

“...Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.”

Colossians 2:2b-3



## *Monday Missive*

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What do alumni of Classical Christian schools do? The Winter 2017 issue of *The Classical Difference* shared the story of one alumna.

### Upcoming Events

**February 15 –  
6PM: K-2 Dinner  
Theater**

**February 16 –  
City State Day**

**February 19 – 23 –  
Winter Break**

**February 28 –  
9AM-2PM and 5PM-  
8PM: Open House**

**March 8 –  
End of Term Two**

**March 15 –  
Noon Dismissal:  
Classical Seminar  
and Banquet**

### *A Path Well Defined*

According to Mary Kathryn Davis, there is a direct link between her insatiable appetite for beauty and her education. It was the pursuit of God’s truth, goodness, and beauty that cultivated her interest in history and fine arts, developed her finely-tuned sense of aesthetics, and forged her unlikely path. As she followed Beauty, beauty followed her.

Mary Kathryn was exposed to the truly beautiful at a young age by her local classical school, Westminster Academy, in Memphis, TN. Here she was taught to love the truth, and became familiar with an objective standard and purpose of beauty. Having met Beauty Himself, there was no option but to be enamored.

As her studies progressed, her delight in fine arts grew and resulted in a deeper interest in the classical world and its history. Nearing graduation, she wondered where to go next. She struggled with forming her deep love of humanities and her liberal arts education into a career path that could actually make ends meet.

Little did she know the path would find her. By chance, her first internship was at a fine arts museum, and here she struck gold. According to Mary Kathryn, the prospect of “educating and exposing” visitors to the truly beautiful “excited me.” Granted an arena to display and nourish her zeal for beauty, Mary Kathryn went full steam ahead to Georgetown University where she earned her MA in art and museum studies.

Now a manager at Dixon Museum and Gardens in Memphis, Mary Kathryn shares her love of beauty with others. “I have the wonderful opportunity to catch a glimpse of God’s beauty every day through the paintings hanging on the Dixon’s walls, and I have the privilege of sharing the transformative power of art with others,” she says.

Moreover, she still uses the skills developed in Westminster’s classrooms on a daily basis. “As the membership manager at the Dixon Gallery and Gardens, I raise money by selling memberships and frequently find myself using skills that I learned in the classical classroom,” she relates. Beyond simply cultivating a love of beauty itself, Mary Kathryn’s education assists her in the more practical aspects of her job at the Dixon. “Logic gives me the ability to form a compelling argument for why people should become Dixon members. The knowledge I learned in art history allows me to talk to donors about art, and rhetoric gives me the skills to speak comfortably in public.”



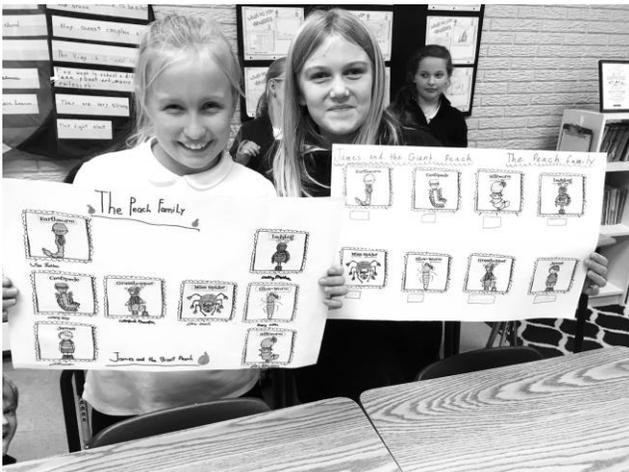
## Announcements and News

### **K-2<sup>nd</sup> DINNER THEATER**

Mrs. Rivers and the K-2<sup>nd</sup> students are having a lot of fun preparing their dinner theater for **February 15<sup>th</sup>**. We are looking forward to the potluck dinner with our SFS families before the production of *The Tale of Tom Kitten!* A signup for the potluck will be posted on Basecamp later this week.

### **OPEN HOUSE**

We had a successful first Open House of the year this past Wednesday! Thank you so much to **Erika Alley, Jen Carty, Stacy Herman, and Lisa Maury** who helped distribute promotional materials to local churches, preschools, and businesses. We are also grateful to all those families who brought materials to their own churches or told their friends and family about our school. Our next open house is February 28<sup>th</sup>. The best way to recruit new families to SFS is through **word of mouth**. Do you know any families who might be interested in SFS for their children? Please invite them to visit our website, to come to our Open House, or to stop in any time.



### **BOX TOPS**

Our next batch of Box Tops is due! We must send ours in by March 1<sup>st</sup> to be counted. If you have not already done so, please drop off your Box Tops at the school office by **February 16<sup>th</sup>**.

### **THANK YOU, CHAPEL SPEAKERS!**

Thank you to the godly men who spoke in chapel during December and January: Jonathan Stricklin, Troy Albee, Mark Rivers, Stephen McDonald, Rick Sweitzer, and Mike McKenna. We appreciate your wisdom and guidance.