

Alumni News and Events

Ruth Vaughan, Emory to St Andrews 06-07—In January, Ruth started a new job as Staff Attorney with the Victim Rights Law Center, a nonprofit organization that provides free civil legal services to victims of rape and sexual assault. She and her husband also have a relatively new addition to our family - Rami James was born last year, and is now 14 months old!



Kelly Healy, Emory to St Andrews 00-01—Kelly has recently moved to NYC and joined faculty as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Urology at Columbia University Medical Center-New York Presbyterian in October 2017. Her clinical interests include surgical and metabolic treatments of kidney stone disease and minimally invasive urologic surgery of the upper urinary tract. Kelly was also recently inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons (FACS) at the Annual Clinical Congress in San Diego in 10/2017.

Oliver Gregory, St Andrews to Emory 07-08—Oliver married Stephanie Sheikh in May of this year. Stephanie is an Emory alum and they met during his Bobby Jones year. The wedding was on the Emory campus! They live in New York.



Philip May, Emory to St Andrews 10-11—Philip has just moved to Washington, DC to join the law firm of Covington & Burling LLP as an associate focusing on patent litigation and white collar investigations.

Hannah Rose Blakeley, Emory to St Andrews 16-17—Hannah is excited to share the news that one of the choral CDs she recorded this past year at St Andrews with the St Salvator's Chapel Choir, *Luthersche Leidensmusik*, has just been released and is available on disc and through various music streaming services (Spotify, iTunes, etc.). The CD was recorded in celebration of the 500th anniversary of Lutheranism, which takes place this year, and the tracks include both choral and organ pieces by Praetorius, Schütz, Buxtehude, Bruins, and others.



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Katie Sheehan Wetzel, Emory to St Andrews 09-10—Katie earned her PhD in Cell and Molecular Biology from the University of Pennsylvania this summer! Her thesis work investigated how simian immunodeficiency viruses that are related to HIV enter cells, and how this might affect disease development. I just started a Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh where I am studying bacteriophages (virus that infect bacteria) with the hope of pursuing a career in undergraduate education as well as research.

Richard Harker, St Andrews to Emory 09-10—Richard recently started a new job as the Director of Special Events and Volunteers at the Historic Oakland Cemetery where Bobby Jones is buried (along with quite a few other famous Georgians)!



Holly Gregory, Emory to St Andrews 96-97—Holly developed and launched a new preschool television show for the Sprout network (part of NBC Universal) in August. It's called Sprout House and shoots in Rockefeller Center. Holly is a children's media creator and served as the Development Executive for the show. Holly also serves as the music supervisor for the show—a music video teaching kids the Days of the Week.

Elizabeth Wilson, St Andrews to Emory 95-96—Liz has recently started work at Open Society Foundations (OSF), based in London. She joins a new global Economic Advancement Program in the OSF network, focusing on the economic empowerment of smallholder farmers in sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia. She would be happy to offer lunch or coffee to scholars interested in these issues if they are passing through Westminster!



Euler Bropleh, Emory to St Andrews 04-05—The Emory Alumni Association and Emory Entrepreneur Network recently selected Euler as one of the recipients of the 2017 Emory Entrepreneur Awards for his success with [VestedWorld](#), a venture capital fund that Euler founded in 2014. The Emory Entrepreneur Awards were created by alumni volunteer leaders who are passionate about spotlighting successful products and ventures driven by Emory alumni. The award recipients inspire the growing number of aspirational and early-stage business owners in Emory's student and alumni populations and serve as examples of the exciting ways Emory's alumni entrepreneurs are attaining the highest levels of success in their fields. Recipients of the Emory Entrepreneur Award are individuals who have launched businesses achieving significant advancement through innovation, profit, or influence.

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Lilias and Pat Battle overlooking the 8th Green at Royal Wellington

Lilias Bell, St Andrews to Emory 83-84—As a Bobby Jones Scholar from St Andrews in 1983/84 I was lucky enough to go to the Masters in 1984 - AND I DID NOT PLAY GOLF!! The horror of it! Four years blithely trotting over the Swilken Bridge on the Old Course to run down the West Sands, ignoring all special student offerings of free golf on the Old Course in winter. I had no clue about the significance or awe that golfers feel about the R&A and Augusta National. I sat outside the Clubhouse, saw the trophy and watched Ben Crenshaw get his Green Jacket and had no idea how special all of this was.

Fast Forward 33 years - I married a Kiwi and came to live in New Zealand 23 years ago. After having two children I set up an executive search firm which became so successful that my husband took on the home front (and played golf twice a week) while I ran the business. There was definitely no time for golf! Once I sold the business three years ago, I decided that I had to take golf up as if I could not beat him, I would have to join my husband in his passion. I love it. I love it even more now as we have just had the most amazing four days as the R&A and Augusta National came in and took over our Club to host to the Asia-Pacific Tournament and we members all offered our services as volunteers. We have all had the most amazing fun. Both Clubs had brought their iconic trophies with them. It was a thrill to see the APAC trophy with the Claret Jug on one side and Masters Trophy on the other.

I made sure I introduced myself as a Bobby Jones Scholar to a few gentlemen in Green Jackets, including the President and we swapped a few tales. I also got to meet the current Captain of the R&A. Not everyone knew about Bobby Jones Scholars at the start, but they sure did at the end.

Eric Teasdale, Emory to St Andrews 06-07—Eric is starting a new job as a Compliance Director for U.S. Immunology at Shire Pharmaceuticals in Lexington, MA AND his family welcomed their third child, Isla Katherine Teasdale, who was born on April 20th.



Thomas Kadri, St Andrews to Emory 10-11—Thomas recently began his Ph.D. in Law at Yale Law School, where he will also serve as a Resident Fellow at the Information Society Project. His research interests lie at the intersection of media, technology, and the First Amendment. In particular, he hopes to explore the regulation and moderation of online speech, as well as the states' power to curtail artistic expression through civil liability. His year at Emory set him on this path, particularly the wonderful classes he took with Professor Thomas Walker!

Garrett Turner, Emory to St Andrews 11-12—You can see Garrett in the upcoming play [Lookingglass Alice](#) at Baltimore Center Stage in Baltimore, MD. The show runs November 30th—December 31st. Click the link to buy tickets!



Miriam Davis, Emory to St Andrews 86-87—In March 2017, Chicago Review Press published my book, *The Axeman of New Orleans: The True Story*. It's the true story of a serial killer who terrorized New Orleans in 1918-1919 and of two men who were wrongly convicted of one of his murders. For more information, please see [The Axeman of New Orleans: The True Story](#).