



Elisabeth Dianne McInnis is shown during the processional of graduates at the beginning of Commencement Friday night at Wildcat Stadium.

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impart knowledge upon us along the way.”

After Jones’ short devotional, his classmate Shayden Smith stepped to the podium to offer an invocation.

Class Historian Peyton Rounsaville took the podium next and presented reflections on not only the accomplishments of the Class of 2018, but also a glimpse into the 30 year history of the school.

“Thank you Greene County for giving us these memories, for giving us pride in our school, for believing in us – sometimes when we even doubted ourselves,” Rounsaville said. “For all of these reasons and many more, we will always be Wildcat Strong and Wildcat Proud.”

Rounsaville’s address was followed by that of Valedictorian Joshua Thompson, who reflected on his time at GCHS, while looking forward to the future that lies ahead for the Class of 2018.

“I have faith that even in the most dire circumstances, taking charge of our life paths will ultimately lead to victory,” Thompson said. “When you think of the Class of 2018, think about the most passionate group of students looking for their place in the world, and when we reunite in 10, 20 years, hopefully we can all boast on accomplishing what we planned in high school.”

After the students’ speeches, which can be read in their entirety later in this special edition, Assistant Principal Dickson then called the name of each graduate for the conference of their diplomas. Each student was greeted with handshakes and congratulations from Principal Bray and Supt. Breland.

After each student had enjoyed his or her time in the spotlight, Caleb Strickland walked to the podium to offer a benediction. And then, in

her final act as President of her class, Hallie Meadows led their mortar board tassels from right to left and celebrating by throwing their caps in the air.

Graduates shared a few moments on the field together, before being joined by family and friends for a time of cherishing the moment and taking a lot of photographs to remember the occasion.

For scenes from that celebration look for our photo pages later in this edition.

The song for the class of 2018 was “Five More Minutes” by Scotty McCreery. The class flower is the Salmon Rose. And, the class motto came from the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson: “What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.”



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Class of 2018 Valedictorian Joshua Thompson is shown delivering his address to those gathered at Commencement on Friday.



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William Chad Miller is shown shaking hands with GCHS Principal Scott Bray as the graduate has his diploma conferred during Commencement. In all, 142 graduates received their diplomas during the event.

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Hallie

Time has flown and now you’re grown. You will always be mine and Daddy’s shining star. We could not be prouder of you.

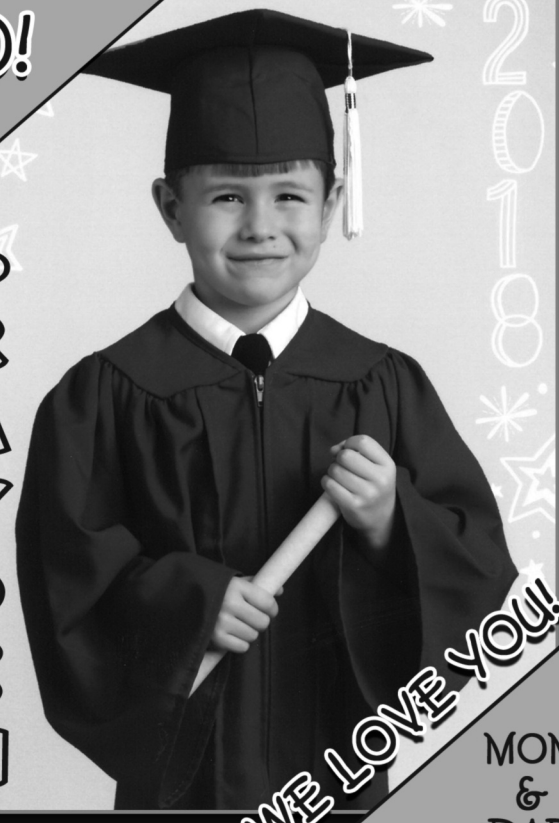
Now the SKY is the LIMIT!



Love, Mama & Daddy

WAY TO GO!

BRAYDEN



WE LOVE YOU! MOM & DAD

CONGRATULATIONS! YOU DID IT! CONGRATULATIONS! YOU DID IT! CONGRATULATIONS! YOU DID IT! CONGRATULATIONS! YOU DID IT! CONGRATULATIONS! YOU DID IT!

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