



**Castlewood  
Connection  
Special  
Edition**

## **Chailie Alsaffar**



In May 2023, long-time resident of Castlewood, Chailie Alsaffar will be graduating summa cum laude from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology. Chailie will return to the DFW area to attend Parker University to pursue her Doctor of Chiropractic degree. She has a special interest in functional neurology and nutrition and hopes to be of help to others. Please join us in wishing her much success and prayers as she begins the next chapter of her life!

Congrats Chae!

We love you!

Dad, Momma, Brock, Zeke, and Max

## **Ryan Thomas Lassahn**

Ryan Thomas Lassahn is a senior at Marcus High School graduating in May 2023. He attended Flower Mound and Heritage Elementary and Briarhill Middle School. Ryan enjoys riding his scooter at the skate park in Lewisville and working at Salerno's. Next year he plans to be a Project Search Intern and continue working.



## ***Richard "Trip" Harper III***



Richard "Trip" Harper, III is graduating from Marcus High School in Flower Mound. He was in Air Force ROTC Jr. for four years and achieved rank of Cadet Captain. He was in Destination Imagination for many years going to regional, state and global competitions and winning the Magellan Award and DaVinci Award and a college scholarship. He was accepted into the FBI Teen Academy and other Intelligence Leadership Programs in Washington, D.C. throughout high school. He also got to travel to Japan with some of his peers.

In the Fall, he will be attending Mercyhurst University in Erie, Pennsylvania where he will be in the Honors Program and pursuing a degree in Intelligence Studies and was awarded the Sr. Carolyn Herrmann Scholarship.



## Elsha Valluru



High School: I University Prep, Grapevine ISD  
Going to attend: University of Texas at Dallas

From a young age, I have been driven by a passion for both sports and technology. Through dedication and hard work, I excelled in tennis and computer science throughout high school at I University Prep. Now, I have been accepted into the Computer Science program at the prestigious University of Texas at Dallas, where I will also play tennis for the university team. My goal is to leverage my skills to develop cutting-edge software and hardware solutions that can help athletes improve their performance. With unwavering support from my family, friends, and mentors, I am eager to embark on this next chapter and make a positive impact in the world through my passions.

## *Patrick Coman*

Patrick,

Your determination and grit to set yourself up for success does not go unnoticed. Great job overcoming obstacles and for being an awesome kid who makes smart choices! We are so proud of the man you have become and look forward to many more chapters!!!

Peace, Love, Soul!

Mom and Dad

## Claire Capek



Claire Capek will be graduating from Marcus High School in May. While she has taken several dual credit classes, her college plans will be put on hold while she pursues her passion. Claire has been a professional actor and model for the past twelve years.

Last fall she starred in her first of hopefully many feature films. After graduation, Claire plans to pursue the business full time, with plans to travel to London to model, with hopes of travelling the world modeling, walking the runway, and acting full time.

We are so proud of Claire, and are excited to see where her dedication and perseverance takes her!

We love her to the moon and back!

-Mom, Dad, Caleb and her entire family



## Raegan Sucher



Raegan Sucher will be graduating from Marcus High School in May. She has been a three year varsity member of the Lady Marauders Softball Team as a pitcher and an Athletic Trainer for three years as well. She will be continuing her softball career with her commitment to Angelo State University in the fall and pursuing a degree in Engineering. She is a member of Student Council and ASL Honor Society.

Today is a day to celebrate a unique and beautiful girl who has made us extremely proud. We thank you for being the amazing young lady that you are and are excited to see where your dreams take you!

Your biggest fans,  
Mom, Larry and Rylee

## Isabel Alejandro



It is with great pride that we announce Isabel Alejandro is graduating from Marcus High School, Class of 2023. She has played softball for Marcus and been a member of the Marauder Marching Band as a trumpet player all four years, and been part of the bands student leadership team and a member of the PSAT team leadership. She has also been a member of National Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta Math Honor Society. She graduates high school having earned the distinction of National Merit Scholar Finalist and National Hispanic Scholar. She will continue her education at the University of Oklahoma where she plans to study Biochemistry/Genetics.

We are beyond proud of her for all her determination and dedication; but what makes us most proud is the amazing human she's grown to be. Go forward Isa and continue to make the world a better place with everything that makes you YOU!

We love you BIG,  
Mom, Dad, and Isaac

Congratulations to the graduates and their families from the Castlewood Board of Directors, the Modifications Committee, the Social Committee & the Community Manager. This is truly a remarkable group of young adults with a world of possibilities in front of them.



## Michelle Bednarczyk



Stella Bednarczyk will be graduating from Marcus High School on May 29, 2023. Stella finished Marcus High in the top 4% of her graduating class.

She will be attending the University of Arizona in Tucson, AZ this fall - College of Humanities  
We will miss her kind heart and big smile, but we're so excited to see her grow and learn throughout her college journey.

Love,

Mom, Jackson and Gabe

## Gabriel Bednarczyk



Gabriel Bednarczyk will be graduating on May 13, 2023, from The University of Oklahoma with a B.S. in Aerospace Engineering. Gabe plans to begin his career in the aerospace industry in the summer of 2023.

Gabe is a constant source of laughter and fun in our home. Although we will miss him, we are confident that he will be successful in his career and life!

All our love,  
Mom, Jackson and Stella



## Emily Leone

Emily has lived in Castlewood since 2006. She is a National Honor Society and National English Honor Society member. She is still deciding on which university she will be attending in the fall.



## ***Trinity Hoffman***



Trinity Hoffmann, daughter of David and Tricia Hoffmann, will be attending the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor in the fall. She will be studying sports marketing and playing soccer at UMHB. Go Cru!

## ***Mackenzie Grace***



Mackenzie Grace Wells is graduating from Marcus High School on May 29th, 2023. While attending high school she was a four-year member of the Marcus Marquettes where she served two years as a Service Officer.

Mackenzie was a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and Student Council. She is very excited to be attending Texas A&M university in the Fall where she will study Biology.



## ***Logan Hessing***

Matt and Emily Hessing proudly announce the graduation of their son, Logan Hessing, from Marcus High School. Logan was an All-District Offensive Lineman and Team Captain. After graduation, Logan will serve a Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and then attend Brigham Young University-Idaho.

## ***Naseem Rahman***



Naseem is a tennis player, musician and high achieving student.

He has been accepted to schools across the US, and is the process of narrowing down to three schools where he has received thousands of dollars in academic and music scholarship (one school offered him the largest non-major music scholarship in the history of the school).

He will continue to play tennis and oboe while pursuing a Bachelor's in Communications or Sports Journalism ( depending on what school he chooses). He has been offered a tennis playing spot at D1, D2 and D3 schools.

Naseem ended his high school tennis career by winning the District 6A Boys Doubles Championship and advancing on to Regionals where he was a semifinalist beating teams from El Paso and Midland.

Congratulations, Naseem.

We are so incredibly proud of you!

## **Caroline Aragao**



Caroline Aragao is a graduating senior student at Marcus High School. Caroline's love for art and music has been a constant presence throughout her life, and she has made an impressive mark in the school's orchestra as a cellist. She has honed her skills in drawing and painting, and has played the Cello for many years. These creative pursuits have provided a valuable outlet for Caroline, allowing her to express herself and find inspiration. Her art work was qualified in several contests like balloon, orchestra shirt etc...and exhibited in a variety of galleries in Lewisville-Texas. With a passion for helping others and a desire to make a difference in the world, she applied to several universities to pursue a degree in medicine. After receiving acceptance letters from TWU, UNT, Seton Hall, and Baylor, Caroline has a difficult choice to make.

But whatever her decision may be, one thing is certain: Caroline is a driven and talented individual who is sure to make a positive impact on the world around her.





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