

# ALUMNI *eNews*

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**June 5, 2020**



**FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK**  
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Earlier this week, I shared the following message with students and educators in our community about the recent events in the United States and what they mean for us as a school.

[Click here to see the message](#)

## **What's Happening at SAS and in Singapore?**

This was our final week of school. We feel fortunate that we were able to bring students back to campus in groups before the end of the school year. Although most of our high school students were only able to return for 3 hours on their assigned day, our seniors returned twice to pick up their yearbooks, say goodbye to teachers and friends, and enjoy a modified Senior Walk, an important tradition for seniors.

While we wish this year had ended differently, we are grateful to have had such a touching and meaningful graduation ceremony last Friday. To watch Commencement and leave messages of congratulations to our seniors, click [here](#). The alumni office welcomed seniors into the alumni

community by giving every senior a Singapore flag with Singapore American School written on the side of it and by sending a surprise bouquet of balloons to each senior on graduation day. Watch a [video](#) of seniors receiving their balloons on graduation day.

As we look ahead to our summer break, most families, including teachers, will stay on the island due to restrictions coming back into Singapore. While it is a deep disappointment for many to not travel to their home countries to see families and friends, SAS has developed an impressive [summer program](#) of short courses for our students to enjoy.

## Summer Internships Available to SAS Alumni: Apply Now!

Are you a college-aged alum looking for an internship this summer? [We still have three virtual opportunities available this summer!](#)

Persistent Productions, a full-service production company specializing in brand stories, social impact storytelling, and the arts is hiring interns this summer. The application deadline is June 7.

Another internship available is a volunteer marketing and membership position at Seed Consulting Group, a non-profit organization that provides pro-bono consulting to influential organizations that are pioneering a healthier and more environmentally sustainable world. The application deadline is June 9.

Finally, a social media intern is needed with Amigos Y Vinos Pte Ltd, a wine and spirit company located in Singapore. This is also a virtual internship. Applications are due as soon as possible.

These internships are offered by alumni and current parents. Applications must be submitted through the alumni office. Please click [here](#) to learn more about how to apply for these internships. We will continue to add more internships on the [alumni website](#) as we learn about them.

## Do You Have a Virtual Summer Internship to Offer Alumni?

In response to SAS alumni being displaced and having limited internship opportunities due to COVID-19 this summer, the Office of Alumni Relations is reaching out to the alumni community to create a database of internships available to SAS alumni.

If your company or organization is able to offer an internship or short-term project to our university-aged alumni, please complete [this form](#). Whether your company has an established internship program or you are able to create an internship experience or a short-term project, we will promote all opportunities to our alumni.

Companies or organizations offering opportunities will determine the qualifications of the candidates, the length of the internship, if the internships are virtual or in-person, and whether or not they are paid.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our alumni offering an internship to benefit from the talent and experiences of our young alumni and to provide them relevant and real-world experiences. For more information, please read our [FAQs](#) on offering an internship.

## Alumni Video Welcomes Seniors to the Alumni Community

Our seniors are loving [this video](#)! Twenty-nine alumni from the Class of 1959 through the Class of 2019 shared messages of congratulations to this year's graduating seniors. Many thanks to the alumni who submitted videos to welcome this year's graduates to our talented, extensive, and supportive alumni community.

## Alumni Making Special Contributions

We are receiving amazing stories of how our alumni are supporting others and making special contributions during the pandemic.

Enjoy [this video](#) of **Alex Rudd, Class of 2017**, spreading joy by dancing to "Singin' in the Rain" on

the streets of Webster Groves, MO. Legendary actor, dancer, and singer Gene Kelly was famous for his lead role in this film. Alex's recording has brought joy to many, including Gene's wife, Patricia, who shared that Gene would be so proud of Alex.

**Krish Vatsa, Class of 2025**, is raising money for meals for frontline workers by taking photographs of neighbors on their porches. Krish's sixth grade teachers at SAS inspired his love of photography.

**Hannah Walton, Class of 2018**, is working on a project called [Life in Quarantine: Witnessing Global Pandemic](#). The goal is to collect, document, and demonstrate COVID-19's varied effects on peoples' lives through personal accounts. It is their hope that through an archive of lived experiences they can promote cultural and personal interconnectedness and solidarity. Please share your lived experiences under these new circumstances to the project.

In New York City, **Ben Smallman, Class of 2006**, who is overseeing all cooking at Eataly, has been leading an effort to cook lunchtime meals to frontline workers at NYU Langone Medical Center. Read more about his contribution [here](#).

If you have a story you would like to share, please email Beth Toole at [btoole@sas.edu.sg](mailto:btoole@sas.edu.sg).

## Connect with Other Alumni



Welcome to our new weekly eNewsletter for alumni, former parents, and former faculty and staff. We are eager to stay connected to you and lend our support in the best way we can.

**We need to connect with others now more than ever!** Here are ways you can reunite with SAS friends and learn what's happening on campus:

- [SAS Alumni Directory](#)
- [SAS Alumni Facebook page](#)
- [SAS Instagram](#)

- [SAS Closed LinkedIn Group](#)

If you have feedback on what you'd like to have included in this eNewsletter or have suggestions on how we can support alumni, please email me, Beth Toole, at [btoole@sas.edu.sg](mailto:btoole@sas.edu.sg).

Above all, stay safe, be healthy, and know we send our love and best wishes to all SAS alumni around the world!



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