

## Katie Errigo Roering '07

### How did Linden Hall affect your life after graduation?

When I started going to Linden Hall in 9th grade, I had very little confidence. Four years later, when I graduated, I had transformed into a completely new person. Linden Hall taught me it was ok to be myself; it was ok to be smart and excel and try new things; it was ok to speak up!

### What piece of advice would you share with girls at Linden Hall today?

Take advantage of every opportunity that interests you! I was always worried that I might be bad at something new, so I shied away from new experiences. Now I know that trying new things is a way to meet people, to broaden your horizons, and you just might find something that you really love.



### What did you love most about Linden Hall?

I loved the family atmosphere! I felt so comfortable at Linden Hall; it was my family during the day when I was at school (I was a day student). I never felt lost at Linden Hall like I did at public school where I was just a number.

### Describe your experience at Linden Hall. What is your favorite memory?

I was a member of the Equestrian Team and spent most of my free time at the barn. I have so many fond memories of all the overnight trips to the shows, riding lessons, and summers were always a blast at the barn. Teaching campers how to ride was my first job, and I loved every minute of it.

### How many years did you attend Linden Hall?

I attended four years.

## **What club or sports were you a member of?**

I was a member of the Equestrian Team and National Honors Society. I also competed very extensively in Dog Agility during my high school years. The weekends I wasn't at a horse show, I was usually at a dog show with my Sheltie, Harry.

## **What Blue and White team were you on?**

I was captain of the White team my Senior year!

## **What college did you attend?**

I attended Millersville University so I could be close to home and continue showing in Dog Agility.

## **What is your occupation?**

I guess I would say I am an entrepreneur at heart. In 2013 I opened The Complete Canine Center in Landisville, PA, with two business partners. The dog daycare, boarding, grooming, and training center was a huge success and was voted "Best Kennel/Grooming Salon" in LNP's Reader's Choice Awards in 2014 and 2015. In 2016, I became engaged to my now husband, Eric, and I decided to sell my portion of the business because I had no work/life balance. I was proud to be named Young Woman Entrepreneur of the Year for Lancaster in 2016. I am currently doing marketing consulting, social media management, and website design for several small businesses in the area. My husband and I also own Fontana Candle Company, making and selling beeswax and coconut oil candles with wooden wicks. We opened the business a few months ago, and it is already becoming a hit and is available in several local shops. Linden Hall definitely gave me the confidence I needed to be a business owner!

## **Do you participate in any professional organizations?**

Not currently, but I have plans to get involved very soon!

## **Do you participate in community service? If so, what organizations?**

Giving back to charities was very important to us at The Complete Canine Center. We worked closely with the Lancaster SPCA and the Pet Pantry and had several fundraisers for them. We partnered with local businesses in Landisville and raised money to pay to have a fenced-in yard installed for their dogs at the SPCA to run and play in!

## **JUST FOR FUN**

**What is your favorite book?**

*The Power of Now* by Eckhart Tolle

**What is your favorite movie or TV show?**

*The Office* is hands-down my favorite show! I binge watch it hours at a time when I need a good laugh!

**Name three things you couldn't live without.**

My husband, my parents, and my doggies.

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