Congratulations, Kyle! You are one of a handful of students whose dedication to the craft of fiction writing, sensitivity to the demands of the story you’re composing, and generous, unflagging spirit crystallized you forever in my memory. The Advanced Fiction Workshop of which you were a part Spring 2019 was among the best I’ve had the honor of leading, and you, with your insightful, constructive critiques of your classmates’ work and the deeply imagined, character-driven stories you shared with us, were a primary reason. I think of you not only as a gifted fiction writer with an exciting road opening up before her but as a colleague and friend. As long as we both keep plying our trade, our paths will cross again and again, and for this I’m eternally grateful. Thank you for giving so much of yourself, and I’ll celebrate with you each great achievement as it comes. I’m a fan for life.