

THE NEWSLETTER OF Colorado Rocky Mountain School

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THE ART OF GLASSBLOWING AT CRMS

by Cindy Blachly

Stepping into David Powers' glassblowing studio at CRMS is like stumbling onto a secret portal that leads to the molten core of the earth. As he opens the door to the main furnace, a radiant orange heat roars into the room. Inside, liquid glass shimmerers white at 2000°F. "Glass is a magical, mystical thing, a glob with all this potential, not unlike a teenager," David laughs.

For the past 15 years, David has worked with glass in all its physical forms; the artist-in-residence has logged more than the requisite "10,000 hours" of glassblowing to become a master of the art. Waving all his experience aside, he's quick to credit those who have influenced and inspired him over the years, and holds a special reverence for founder of the CRMS blacksmithing program Francis Whitaker. "Francis always said, 'Many people look, but few people see.' Glassblowing creates an opportunity for students to see, to make them more aware of reality," David says.

Today, CRMS is home to a fully-equipped glassblowing studio with three furnaces, one of which David made in the blacksmithing shop. As he dips the end

of a four-foot metal rod into the molten glass, David holds the pipe horizontal to the ground, spinning it in his hands as the glass quickly begins to plasticize to the consistency of honey, threatening to drip onto the floor when he spins slowly. "You've got to keep it balanced, centered, and moving," he says, as he increases the spinning speed and the molten mass at the end of the pipe starts to take shape once again. "Students sign up for glassblowing, but it's really pipe turning," he laughs.

Glassblowing is much more than that, to both teacher and students. "I don't know what I would be doing if I didn't have glassblowing," says CRMS senior Martin Gerdin. "I can't see myself doing anything else." Martin has been working with David in the studio for three-and-a-half years and remembers the first time he held a pipe with molten glass on the end. "It was scary. Everything was so hot and new," said Martin, who plans to attend a college with a glassblowing program next fall.

This past summer, Martin helped teach beginning glassblowers during an eight-week internship at CRMS. "Being good



at doing something is really different than being good at teaching something,” he says of the experience. “I gained a lot of respect for the teaching community.”

As a part of the CRMS community for the past 40 years, David ’72 can relate; he has experienced the school as a student, as a parent of a student, and teacher of kayaking, ceramics, and blacksmithing. “As a student at CRMS, I learned how to learn,” he says. “A lot has to do with being excited to learn and being willing to take risks.”

David’s passion for learning and willingness to take risks is how the glassblowing program at CRMS began. Immersed in ceramics while also teaching kayaking, he was approached by former student Dylan Katz ’00 who had caught wind of his teacher’s interest in glassblowing, which was sparked more than 30 years prior when he had visited Murano, Italy. David recalls, “The first time I saw glass being blown in Murano, I knew I wanted to blow glass before I died.”

Dylan “pestered” David for more than a year until he agreed to offer a glassblowing interim, which student and teacher built from the ground up. They modified a raku kiln to act as a furnace, creating ceramic bowls to melt the glass in, and made all their own glassblowing tools in the blacksmithing shop, many of which are still used today.

“It was magical,” David remembers of that first experience. “I immediately saw the value of glassblowing and how it affected kids – how they worked together and seemed to be transformed by the experience.” He points to a simple drinking glass sitting on the shelf of a display case among his colorful tumblers, vases, and bowls, “This is the piece I’m most proud of – my first glass.”

After this first experience he thought, “OK, I did it, I’ve blown a glass, now what?” Although intimidated by the steep learning curve, David enrolled in a two-week intensive glassblowing class at Cal Poly. “I never worked so hard in my life to learn something,” he laughs. The intense focus required to learn glassblowing profoundly shifted his perception and life’s path as an artist and teacher.

Today, David’s intent for glassblowing, and life, is displayed on the wall of the studio with three signs written in bold, black lettering: *Clear Intention*, *Deliberate Steps*, and *Reflect On Outcome*. “That last one is definitely the most challenging,” he says. “We want to distance

ourselves from our mistakes, but then we don’t learn from them. Most people think that mistakes equal incompetent. Not so. Mistakes equals human.” In glassblowing, pieces crash to the floor and for some students, the first time they experience this “failure” is catastrophic. But in glassblowing, students have the opportunity to throw the shards of their “mistake” back into the furnace, melt them down, and try again.

David, along with a few students, just finished making 100 glass flowers that will be “planted” in flower pots to adorn the stone pillars at the CRMS entry. Each day at the Bark Fork, students and faculty drink from colorful hand-blown drinking glasses. In the small pond on campus, floating-glass orbs reflect the changing light, color of the sky, and seasons. David says, “Glassblowing offers students the opportunity to feel passion for an activity and develop very real skills. Students make items and see them used.”

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HEAD OF SCHOOL’S LETTER

DONOR SUPPORT by Jeff Leahy

Last year Colorado Rocky Mountain School embarked on an Annual Fund goal that was the largest in the school’s history, and we successfully achieved above and beyond that goal. The results should come as no surprise, as CRMS has always been a school that has had high aspirations for itself and has always found the support necessary to fulfill these goals. We see this very same “can do” attitude in the programs that we run and the type of people who graduate from our community. Whether it is the type of people our program attracts or a consequence of the program itself, I am no longer surprised to see our CRMS alumni displaying a willingness to accomplish a task even if it means attempting to achieve what was previously unachievable.

Throughout this past year I have taken note of how many of our alumni demonstrate what I can only describe as a willingness to “give

it a go.” To me this phrase is not used to describe a reckless attitude, but rather a belief in what is possible despite how daunting it might appear at the beginning. In the school year this attitude is required from the very first day a student arrives at CRMS, when we welcome them and immediately begin preparations for a Wilderness orientation. This experience asks a lot of each student socially and emotionally, if not physically, but it begins to build a sense of belonging and responsibility to our community. To celebrate this notion of CRMS’s willingness to “give it a go,” we invited Eric Doub, an alumnus, to speak at our Founders’ Day celebration this fall. Eric’s work regarding net-zero construction in a winter climate is not only a model for innovative thinking, but also a testament to the support and involvement so many of our alumni tend to provide to their communities.

The vision for a school that founders John and Anne brought with them to the Rocky Mountains has been a success through the collective efforts of people in and out of the school. Achieving this past year's fund-raising goal was made possible because of the strength of our community and the positive impact the program has had on individuals and families throughout the years. The Annual Fund has been instrumental in our ability to continuously deliver high-quality schooling, and the fund supports scholarships that ensure our program is accessible to students who have the ambition of being artists, athletes, and productive citizens. It also ensures that we can support a variety of powerful experiences that will have a positive impact on our students for the rest of their lives.

In addition to the Annual Fund, we are embarking on a campus improvement plan. This year's projects include the completion of our garden expansion, a new music building, and a new dormitory. Over

the past decade we have deliberately moved to address our campus's infrastructure. It is important that we preserve both the look and feel of the campus to ensure that visiting alumni, families, and friends of Colorado Rocky Mountain School will remember the connections each of them had to the school. While the valley around our school continues to develop its usable space, we have been mindful to limit the footprint of our overall facility and have retained significant amounts of open space for the members of our school community and the community at large.

At Colorado Rocky Mountain School, we are grateful for the support that many of our alumni and friends of the school have given us over the years that has turned our goals into reality. John and Anne's founding vision for the school took courage, discipline, and a willingness to give it a go. That Holden spirit remains today in our faculty and staff, alumni, and our current students.

DID YOU KNOW . . .

. . . that black bears spend more time in trees than they do on the ground, and that owls are one of the least intelligent bird species?

Finnian Leahy — Age 7.

SNOWMASS PREHISTORIC BONES VISIT CRMS



The rare mammoth bones, including a femur, the end of a tusk, and parts of the mandible, visited the CRMS Barn for our students and community to be view on Friday, October 29th. The bones, found in Snowmass, CO, date from 14,000 to 60,000 years old.



OYSTERS' FALL SEASON

The Oysters Boys Soccer Team had another very successful season, coming together as a team throughout and playing excellent soccer. Their performance has even spawned glow-in-the-dark soccer and an indoor league here on campus in the off-season! A huge thanks for all the community support and to the seniors who will be sorely missed next year, but we can rest assured that their influence will extend into next year's season. — Coach Dan Pittz

Upper & lower left (Renee Ramge)

Upper right Alex Henderson defending the goal

WEEKEND PROGRAM SHINES

by Jennifer Ogilby and Renee Ramge



The initiative to improve the Weekend Program this year was inspired by the school's objective to take better care of our students than anyone else. Our Weekend Program offers opportunities that play upon the students' own interests and abilities. At times, some of the offerings even tap into learning new skills and having new experiences. While our faculty offer the motivation and guidance for the weekend programming, much of the success is due to our students giving input as to how they want to spend the time during the weekend. The Weekend Program activities also build on the community environment we strive for throughout the week.

Weekend Duty faculty creatively present the weekend schedule at the mid-week All-School Meeting. The Weekend Activity Board, which is visibly located in the Bar Fork, posts the current weekend's activities, holds the sign-up sheets, and also proudly displays photos of previous weekend experiences.

The weekend starts with a post-sport Friday meeting to review that weekend's agenda and then everyone comes together to eat a family-style dinner. Weekend activities range from going to Denver to watch professional sports teams, enjoying the arts, and going shopping, to participating in adventures in the outdoors in our nearby playground of the desert and the mountains. Opportunities to expand on or try new sports like biking, hiking, climbing, canoeing, and winter sports

are also abound. Retreats like canyoneering to Dinosaur National Monument, climbing in Indian Creek, or joining the recent Wild Women's trip to Goblin Valley, Utah, have also been very popular with our students. In addition, every weekend includes a sampling of small urban adventures, such as shopping, going to local festivals, having bonfires on campus, riding into town on the conference bike built for seven, or just watching football with the head of school at his home on campus.

It is one thing to feel that our weekends have been successful; it is another thing to measure that success. Just this past weekend, which also happened to be an Agenda Weekend (where Agenda members plan and execute many of the activities), 50 students participated in weekend fun off campus. It is also impressive to note that every weekend offering since the beginning of the school year has had some sort of student participation; not one of them has been canceled. This kind of success is evidenced by the fact that faculty who are not on duty have offered weekend activities and that one student recently mentioned to me that on Friday mornings she lies in bed becoming giddy because it's the weekend and there will be so much to do!

Weekend program at the Kayak Pond – students try to see how many they can fit into a canoe.

Plan of being in the valley over winter break?
Join us for the casual winter tradition of grabbing a cup of java (or beverage of your choice)

Where: The Lift Café, Carbondale, 433 Main St.

When: Tuesday, Dec. 28. 5:00-7:00p.m.

Who: All alumni and former faculty are welcome to join us for a warm coffee or tea drink, sweet treats and great conversation with CRMS friends.

No need to RSVP!

We look forward to seeing you there. Contact Laura with questions & for more information at lmccormick@crms.org

Alumni:

Do we have your current e-mail?

If not you're missing out on colorful e-mail updates with photos from campus events and outdoor trips, historical photos from the archives and alumni news.

Stay in the loop! Send in your e-mail address to alumni@crms.org.

We'll see you on-line....



Donors: Did you receive your last issue of the Cornerstone?

Our donors are the cornerstone that ensures that we are able to prepare our students for extraordinary lives. The Cornerstone e-newsletter is published quarterly by the CRMS Development Office. The Cornerstone is designed to inform you about all of the great things that are happening at CRMS as a result of your investment in the school.

Please send your email address to lmccormick@crms.org so we can tell you about all of the exciting things happening at CRMS with your support!

RENEWED FOCUS ON RANCH PROGRAM

by Dave Ventimiglia, Director of Active Curriculum

John and Anne Holden, the Founders of CRMS, believed so strongly in the necessity and value of learning in the outdoors and inculcating a sense of pride through hard work and community that they established CRMS on a ranch in the middle of some of the most spectacular and diverse backcountry in the world. They understood the requirements and opportunities that the land and animals inherent to a ranch setting necessitated.

Over the years, some of this commitment to the ranch has lessened, and with it some of the value of living on such a unique piece of land. At the beginning of the 2010 school year, we rededicated ourselves to our roots and the original vision of John and Anne. Wednesday's active program has been designated to rebuild the infrastructure of the ranch including rebuilding the horse corral fencing, restoring a long

unused well on the north end so winter water is accessible for the animals, pouring a concrete floor in the chicken coop, and rebuilding the cow mazes that allow us to sort, brand, and inoculate the herd.

It is our intention to finish rebuilding this infrastructure by the end of the 2010/11 school year and then bring back chickens, cows, horses, pigs, and goats full time to the property, thereby restoring the intention and vision that the Holdens set in motion almost 60 years ago. We believe that the hard work done by the students this year will benefit future classes as students are reintroduced to the values and benefits of participating on a working ranch in the modern world.

We appreciate the student, faculty, and parent support as we reintroduce this component to the Active Program.



*Save the Date
August 5th-7th*

Alumni Reunion 2011-2012!

Is August sweltering where you live? It's divine in Carbondale

Reconvene for a traditional summer Reunion on campus August 5th through 7th. Stay in the dorms, hike, raft, mountain bike in the beauty and coolness of the alpine wilderness of our valley, or just stroll around campus or town. As always, an "added plus" will be eating delicious organic meals in the Bar Fork while you reconnect with old friends.

We officially invite back alumni and former faculty from all 1950s' and 1960s' era classes and, 1972, 1977, 1980-1989, 1992, 1997, 2002, and 2007. But, as ever, any and all alumni and former faculty are welcome!

If you are interested in encouraging your classmates and friends to attend or in helping plan events for the weekend, contact Laura McCormick, director of alumni relations and annual fund, at 970-963-2562 ext. 131 or lmccormick@crms.org.
We look forward to seeing you "back on the ranch" in August!



WHERE IS THIS?

Be one of the first ten people to e-mail in the correct PHYSICAL location of this object placed this fall on our campus and receive a complimentary CRMS sustainable grocery bag. Please e-mail your response and full contact information to lmccormick@crms.org.

THANKS, AND GOOD LUCK!

INTERVIEW WITH SEUSSICAL'S JEFF SCHLEPP

by Jeff Schlepp

Dr. Seuss's fantastical illustrations and quirky rhymes leaped from page to stage in Colorado Rocky Mountain School's student production of "Seussical the Musical." "Seussical' was an upbeat, funny, and very entertaining show. It had a great rock-and-roll musical score and songs. The show was filled with delightful characters, from Horton the Elephant to The Cat in the Hat to The Sour Kangaroo – characters that we all love," says actor and CRMS theatre director Jeff Schlepp.

This version of "Seussical" was particularly geared toward young children. "Children loved it and the older students and adults laughed and appreciated the humor and messages that the musical had to offer," Schlepp continued.

You might recognize Schlepp's name if you support local theatre, as he just finished performing in Aspen Community Theatre's recent production of "1776" as Benjamin Franklin. For the past two months, Schlepp balanced rehearsals and performances for "1776" with directing rehearsals and building the set for "Seussical." "Time management was definitely an issue," said Schlepp, who has performed in dozens of shows over the years, some of which have occasionally coincided with CRMS productions. Being directed while also being a director "provides insight and compassion for the process," said Schlepp. "I've worked with directors who yell, and I've never found that approach to be more productive than taking the fun road."

Schlepp said that his goal is to help build confidence in the students for their performances on stage and to simultaneously stimulate within them a love for the theatre. He believes that performance theatre offers a vehicle in which the students can form friendships and relations with their fellow actors and cast mates. "Bottom line, I want the students in drama to have fun and to be able to create work that they can be proud of," says Schlepp.

As an accomplished carpenter, Schlepp enlists students to help build elaborate sets for each production at CRMS. "I like to set the bar high for the students with great sets and costumes, to make them want to rise up and do that much better."

Theatre at CRMS is offered as an extra-curricular activity to students, who spend up to 100-plus hours learning and rehearsing lines and helping to build sets. During the past six years, Schlepp has directed more than 14 major productions, along with an annual Shake-

spearean monologue competition. Last year, one of his student actors made it all the way to New York City to compete nationally.

The cast for "Seussical" included 22 CRMS students who performed multiple roles and also served as the stage crew, moving their own sets and props. Schlepp's wife, Lynnette, helped on the show with musical direction and some choreography. Some of the CRMS faculty's children were also involved – they played the Whoville children.

Head of School Jeff Leahy commented on the play and Schlepp's contribution to it, saying, "I believe I speak for everyone when I share how grateful we are to have you (Jeff Schlepp) doing magic with the students on stage. Once again, you have done an incredible job of casting the right student with the right character – all inspired choices. And I know that the young faculty children really got a kick out of being a part of this play. Really well done and a lot of fun to watch!"



"Seussical" cast of characters (Renee Ramge & Kevin Meyers)



Q&A WITH OUR SENIORS

► KATIE GRANT



Home Town: Carbondale, Colorado
Interesting things about me: I started a FACE AIDS club at CRMS. Now I'm on the national steering committee and going to Rwanda this December, where I'll volunteer at a local Partners in Health hospital and stay in the homes of people who have benefited from FACE AIDS and Partners in Health.
Best moment at CRMS so far: Having Jim Gaw sing to chemistry class in his tie-dye lab coat first thing in the morning so we wake up.
I never thought ... my definition of fun

would be climbing up a rock and hanging off a cliff. I love that CRMS provides a safe environment to push yourself.

Favorite on-campus activity: The faculty-student soccer game! The whole school came out to watch and everyone is encouraged to play. It was awesome how into it everyone got. Seeing Meghan (librarian/science teacher) on the field in her unicorn costume was unforgettable.

Where I see myself after graduation: Going to college and getting a graduate degree in journalism. My dream is to use the media to get important stories out that otherwise wouldn't be heard and make a difference. I plan on traveling and using my journalism degree to work in the field of social justice.

► LUKE FALCONE



Home Town: Boulder, Colorado
Favorite subject in school: The sciences, no doubt. I like that I can spend one class period talking about a woolly mammoth fossil in Geology and walk across the hall to talk about Newton's laws.
Favorite "Active" activity: I can't pick. I would be hurting too many feelings. But I can give you a top three (in no particular order) 1. Telemark Team, 2. Cycling Team, 3. Soccer Team
Interesting things about me: My favorite food is lemon bars. I like magic tricks.
Best moment at CRMS so far: Waking up

every morning, walking out my door, and looking up at Sopris.

What made you choose CRMS? CRMS just made sense. I loved everyone I met when I visited, both teachers and students; it's close to everything I love to do; and most importantly, the academics were rigorous. The skiing, biking, backpacking, canoeing, kayaking, fly-fishing, and mountains had nothing to do with it, I swear.

Most challenging experience/class/assignment thus far: Learning to cope with over-commitment. The only problem with coming to CRMS is that I have so much that I want to do! I don't have time for it all, so I'm learning to manage my time better in hopes of getting everything done that I can.

Favorite food at the Bar Fork Dining Hall: The fancy sandwiches! Especially when they have the special avocado spread.

I never thought I'd... Watch a sunset from my camp on a Florida beach, after having paddled through the Everglades during Interim. We got to see alligators, stingrays, a copperhead, and a lot of mosquitoes.

Where I see myself after graduation: Ski bumming? That's if this whole college thing doesn't work out, though.

Advice for kids considering Colorado Rocky Mountain School: Take advantage of everything that interests you. Don't be afraid to try something you never have before.

► SANDRA NIYIBIZI



Home Town: I'm from Rwanda, a small country in Central Africa
Favorite subject in school: My favorite subject so far would have to be Spanish. I love learning languages!
Favorite Work Crew: Preschool! The preschoolers are the cutest!
Interesting things about me: I speak French, English, Kinyarwanda, and am currently working on Spanish!
What made you choose CRMS? I wanted to try out something new, and CRMS definitely looked like it would be a new experience!

Most challenging experience/class/assignment thus far: I would have to say Wilderness. This is a 10-day orientation program for all the new students, where they go backpacking in one of the wilderness areas around. Before this, I had never even put a backpack on...but doing it for 10 days, that was something!

SEEKING FUTURE OYSTERS & PEARLS

Did you know...

Over 75% of current CRMS students first learned about the school from alumni, current parents, or friends of the school?

Please help us continue the legacy. Recommend future Pearls & Oysters at admissions@crms.org



Thank you for supporting the admissions process at CRMS

FOUNDERS' DAY— REUNION 2010/11

REFLECTIONS ON OUR SCHOOL ROOTS,
SUSTAINABILITY AND COMPASSION

by Laura McCormick '93

John and Anne Holden would have been proud of our Founders' Day alumni, faculty, and student participants this year - the thoughtful reflection that they brought to the occasion as well as the creative, adventurous, and innovative spirits celebrated at this year's event. September 16 through 18 brought alumni speakers and guests and highlighted the tendency shared by many of our noted alumni to "try something new" or give what some might consider impossible "a go" and come out successful.

Thursday night, September 16, alumnus Eric Doub '81, solar energy guru, spoke to students, alumni guests, and parents in the Barn, cheerfully refuting the idea that new solar, energy-efficient construction is cost-prohibitive. He cited many projects he'd spearheaded, for which the energy-efficient components increased the total cost only 7% to 8% over that for more traditional, less energy-efficient construction. Though Eric only spent one year at CRMS, he felt that his involvement in constructing the Solar Dorm as a student encouraged him on his current path. After attending Stanford, he is now one of the leading green builders in the country and has built the first zero-net-energy home in a winter climate, in which he, his wife and two children live in Boulder.

Friday morning brought the opportunity for guests to attend classes, and a special Founders' Day all-school meeting showcased reflections from long-time faculty member Mark Clark and Head of School Jeff Leahy.

A special celebratory note was added by original musical performances by senior Paul Streumpler on saxophone and George Weber, head of the music department, on guitar. Sophomore Lea Linse and her fiddle closed the meeting with an original and lively interpretation of a jig.

On Friday night, documentary film producer alumna Mags Miller '90 spoke from the heart saying that she could attribute all that she has accomplished to her time at CRMS. She showed a documentary film that she recently produced for National Geographic Explorer on the Marines at Camp Leatherneck, Afghanistan, where she worked as an embedded filmmaker living with the troops and seeing their daily lives first-hand.

Saturday brought opportunities for alumni to enjoy the outdoors in the valley and was capped off by a nice dinner at the head of school's house.

Thanks to all who participated in the weekend, and we hope that those alumni and former faculty who are in reunion years for 2011-12 (see "save the date" on page 5 for more details) will join us in August for traditional reunion festivities.



Alumni Class Reps Needed!

Are you talented at reaching out over the phone or e-mail, or just miss connecting with your old CRMS friends? CRMS needs your skills to reach out to fellow alumni!

Class reps are an important part of our alumni relations "team." The CRMS alumni office will provide you with contact information & everything you need to reconnect with your classmates, then let the fun begin!

Class rep contacts take place primarily between January 15 and February 15.

We are looking for class reps to help contact classmates and gather pledges and news for the following classes: 1963, 1964, 1972, 1973, 1975, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1986, 1990, 1993, and 1997.

Contact Laura at lmccormick@crms.org for more

PHONATHONS GARNER SUPPORT



A genuine "thank you" goes to all our alumni Oysters and Pearls who reached out to alumni throughout the year on behalf of the CRMS Annual Fund. We've had several nights of phonathon calling this Fall from campus and two nights from Boulder.

Juliana Forbes '78 calling from Boulder

DID YOU KNOW . . .

. . . that Board Trustee Ralph Lipe holds 36 patents? It's not that surprising, considering he's been developing software since the age of fourteen.



Ralph Lipe (center) with (from left to right) son James 12, wife Lynda, and daughter Nicole 14

A Q&A WITH CRMS TRUSTEE RALPH LIPE

by Renee Ramge

Ralph Lipe is a talented software architect who enjoyed a successful career with Microsoft before retiring to pursue other interests in 2005. Currently he's working on entering law school. By continuing his education, he can utilize his software engineering background in consulting for software intellectual-property litigation. When talking with Ralph, even with all his professional accomplishments it's easy to see that his true passion is for his family - wife Lynda, son James, and daughter Nicole. Last June the CRMS Board was delighted to nominate and accept Ralph as a new member.

Q: How did your family find CRMS?

A: Summer camp exposed our son James to mountain biking and he wanted to attend a school where he could explore his passion. We used Google and found CRMS online. When I saw how well the active program lined up with James's interests, it looked like a perfect fit.

Q: What about CRMS's program do you find most appealing as a parent?

A: Obviously, preparing students for college is the most important at any school, but the active program and the incredible setting in the Roaring Fork valley is what sets CRMS apart from other schools.

Q: You have both your children at CRMS; what about the program works for them?

A: They really thrive in the small school environment. The fact that their teachers are part of their life outside of school really gives them a sense of community and inspires them to do their best work.

Q: What inspired you to join the CRMS Board of Trustees?

A: Education is important to me and my wife Lynda. Lynda was on the board of Bellevue School Foundation and it is a positive way for us to contribute. I really believe in the school, and I have the time to serve.

Q: In your tenure on the board what do you hope to accomplish?

A: As far as the board is concerned, I would like to get the appropriate technology in place so that board members who don't live in Colorado can effectively participate in meetings without having to fly to Carbondale. For the school, I want to try to help figure out ways that CRMS can leverage the school's unique and amazing Active Program to attract the best quality students from across America and the world. It's amazing to me that there's not a huge waiting list to get in to the school. I think that with the right marketing there could be a much larger pool of applicants.

Q: What are your hopes for CRMS in the future?

A: Other than updates to facilities, I hope CRMS doesn't change much. Staying true to the school's mission is the most important thing for the future.

2010-11 CRMS BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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FORGING THE FUTURE // PRESERVING THE PAST

Through the generosity of a dedicated group within our CRMS community, we are able to commence with some very important campus improvements, including a new residential dorm and a future music building. This is part of a larger plan to improve campus facilities and infrastructure and to ensure the CRMS legacy for years to come. Funding for these initial projects comes from specific individual donations (not from tuition, Annual Fund, Endowment, or our operating budget).

Administration and the Board of Trustees have unanimously decided to move forward on these capital improvements and plan for a larger campaign because of this initial financial support. As members of our CRMS family, you can look forward to hearing more about this in the months to come when we will ask you to join us in this effort. If in the interim you are interested in learning more about our current capital projects, please contact Lisa Raleigh in the CRMS Development Office.

CRMS SETS HISTORIC ANNUAL FUND GOAL OF \$520,000

Last year, CRMS set its sights on an ambitious Annual Fund goal. After achieving success by raising over \$507,000, we've set our sights on yet another ambitious goal of \$520,000. The CRMS Annual Fund will provide the best possible independent education for our students, that includes exceptional college-prep academics, outdoor and work experiences, and the community-life curricula that primes CRMS students for full and meaningful lives.

Please consider joining us as we near the end of the 2010 calendar year with your support of this year's Annual Fund by contributing

before December 31st. Thank you for your continued support of this incredibly important fund. Please contact Laura McCormick in the Development Office.



DID YOU KNOW...

... that Head of School Jeff Leahy has been running barefoot since 2009? Taking his barefoot running to the trails surrounding CRMS, Jeff believes his shoe-less running aligns his body, reduces the stress and impact on his legs and knees, and puts him in touch with his entire body. Jeff recently posted an impressive time in the school's trail-running time trial on Red Hill sans shoes.

FAMILY WEEKEND

Family Weekend is a much anticipated event for everyone. Even though we try to share the students' campus life and experiences at CRMS with weekly parent e-newsletters and YouTube movies, there's nothing better than being able to attend classes, tour campus, and visit with advisors and faculty in person. Also, it's a chance to hear from special speakers like Carolyn Williams on "College and Financial Aid" and Kim Nuzzo, from Jaywalker Lodge, about "Raising a Healthy Teen." Highlights of the weekend activities are the Gala Dinner, Coffee House, and Scholarship Silent Auction.

Our community of loyal CRMS parents and supporters bid on great items donated by families, local businesses, and over a hundred items from our students, faculty, and staff at the auction event. Lucky winners took home student projects from the CRMS forge and ceramics and photography classes. Featured this year were hand-blown glass from the CRMS glass studio work crew and many special glass items from senior Martin Gerdin. We offer our sincere gratitude to the many sponsors, donors, bidders, parents, and staff volunteers for all their efforts to make the event a success. Coffee House was not only full to capacity but also packed full of talent. Congratulations to all the student talent that offered the guests a fantastic night of entertainment.



Scholarship Auction items (Kevin Myers)

THE PAST YEAR IN REVIEW

by Lisa Raleigh, Director of Advancement

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR DEVELOPMENT

Generous alumni, parents, families, friends, foundations, businesses, and faculty and staff contributed over \$750,000 in the fiscal year 2009-10, ensuring that Colorado Rocky Mountain School was meeting its mission of cultivating a learning environment in which students discover their potential to excel. In all, 808 donors made a total of 1,428 gifts to all CRMS funds.

2009-10 ANNUAL FUND SURPASSES GOAL

The Annual Fund goal for 2009-10 was \$500,000, the highest in the school's history. The Development Office staff and the Board of Trustees along with alumni, parent, and student volunteers raised a total of \$507,193 in the *Vital to Our Success* Annual Fund campaign. This total was comprised of \$405,206 in unrestricted Annual Fund gifts, and \$101,987 in restricted Annual Fund gifts. Among the restricted gifts were \$9,001 in Scholarship Work Day proceeds.

PARTICIPATION IS KEY

Participation rates are key to an independent school's success in raising funds. High participation rates send a strong message to major and foundation donors that the school's constituents value the education being provided. Participation rates for the 2009-10 Annual Fund were:

- Board of Trustees 100%
- Faculty and staff 71%
- Current parents 50%
- Alumni 18%
- Parents of alumni 9%

SPECIAL EVENTS – PARENTS SUPPORTING COLORADO ROCKY MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

The *Roots Scholarship Silent Auction* was another financial success. Proceeds from this event (sponsorships plus sales) were the highest they have ever been. The event netted \$44,481 for scholarships for CRMS students.

Telluride MountainFilm on Tour was also a success, with net proceeds (sponsorships, ticket sales, and concessions) of \$5,142.

CAPITAL GIFTS SUPPORT CAMPUS UPGRADES

Capital Fund gifts totaled \$164,134. Over \$80,000 of these donations supported capital improvements to the glassblowing studio, forge, garden program, and dorms, in addition to over \$80,000 towards the new upcoming Capital Campaign, *Forging the Future // Preserving the Past*.

ASSURING THE FUTURE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Pledge payments for the 2002-05 *Assuring the Future* Capital Campaign totaled \$36,045 in 2009-10. This brings the total raised in that campaign to \$4,945,333. These funds were used to build the Jossman classroom building and to renovate the historic CRMS Barn.

ENDOWMENTS

Colorado Rocky Mountain School has more than 35 endowment funds that have been started and built over the years by donors who wanted to ensure that funding would always be in place for the school. Endowment donations totaling \$30,208 were received for seven endowment funds in 2009-10.

IN-KIND DONATIONS

A wealth of in-kind gifts were donated to CRMS in 2009-10. Gifts included more than 300 items for the *Roots* Scholarship Silent Auction, furniture, art, sports equipment and bikes, computer equipment, and much more.

ALUMNI EVENTS

A number of successful and well-attended alumni events took place in 2009-10. These included the Alumni Reunion on campus in February in conjunction with Founders' Day and alumni receptions held in New York, Washington, and San Francisco, as well as the annual Friday Night of the Fair gathering at Ella during Mountain Fair and the holiday gathering at The Lift, which were both held right here in Carbondale.

THANK YOU!

The Development Office would like to thank all of our supporters who gave their time and support to Colorado Rocky Mountain School in 2009-10. You are all vital to the school's ongoing success.

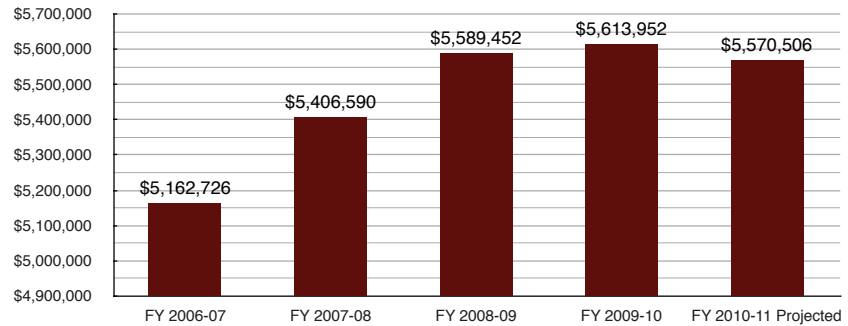


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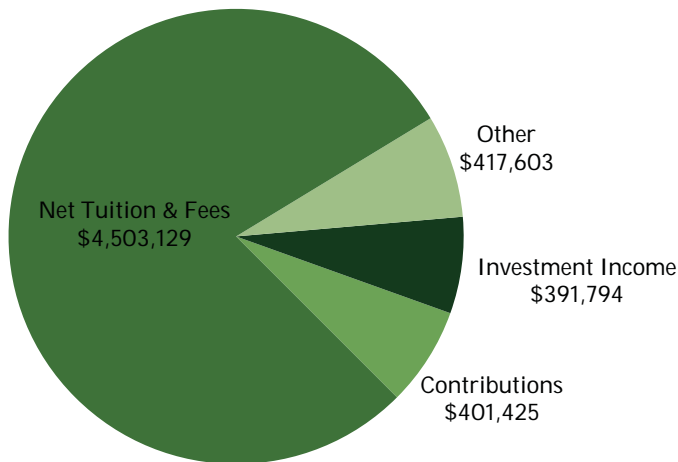
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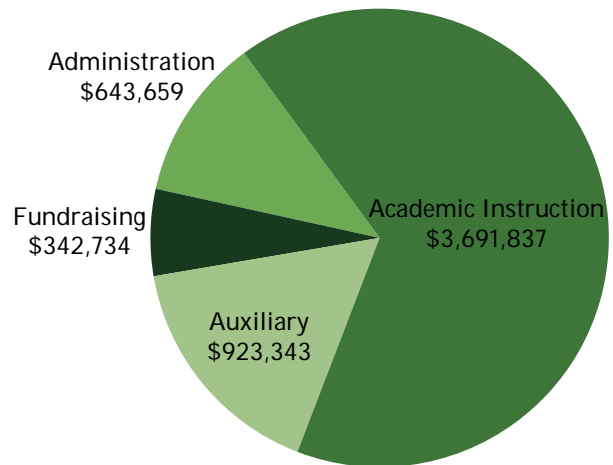


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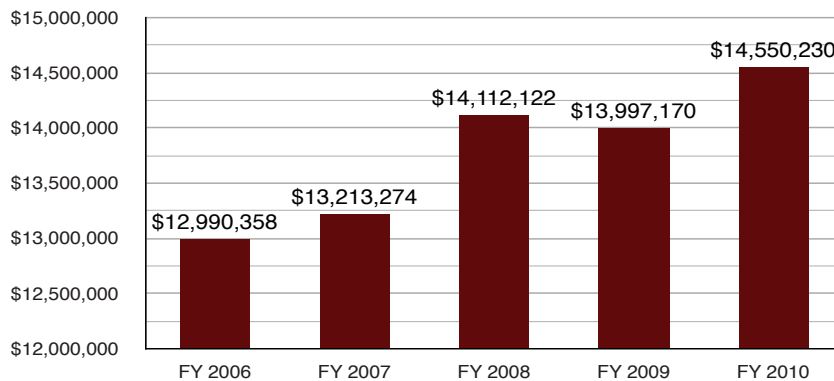
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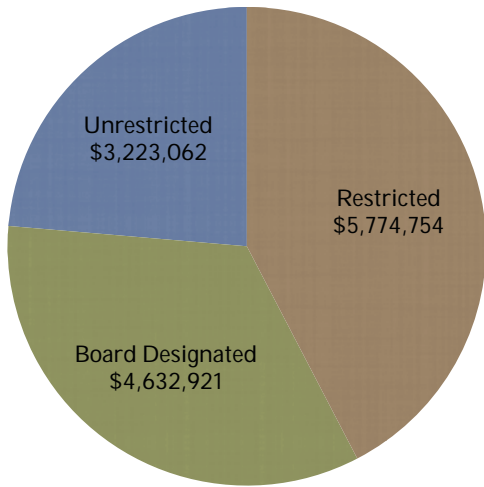
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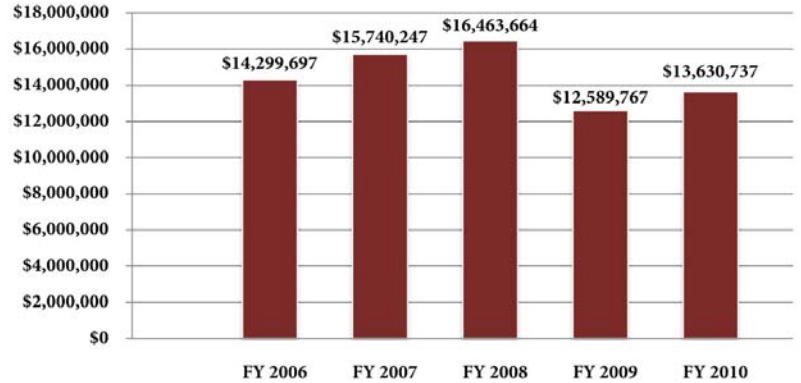
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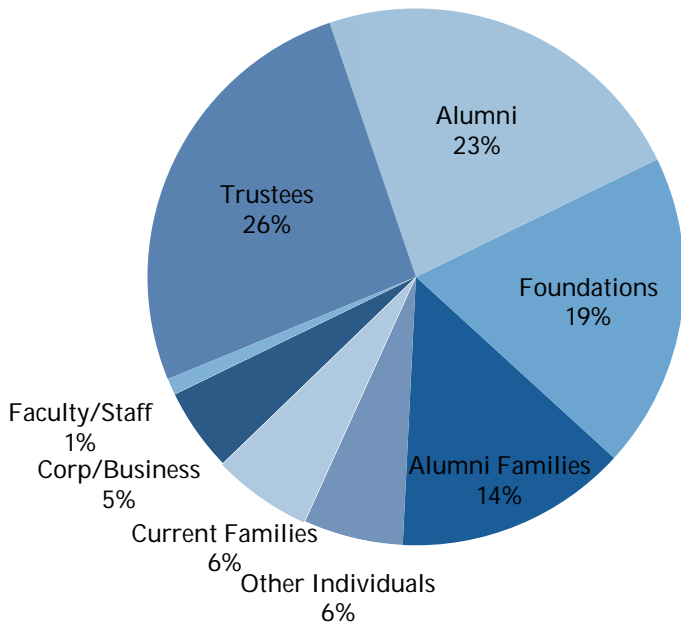
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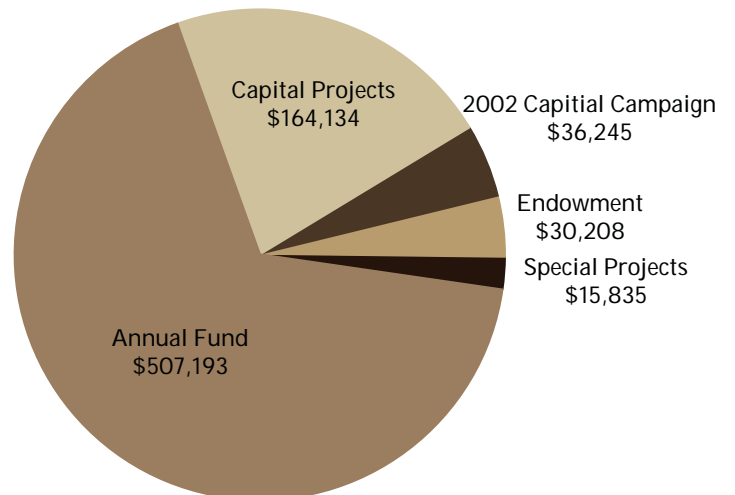
Gifts By Donor Type



2009-2010 GIVING

CRMS Donors remain an essential part of the financial position at CRMS. Gifts to CRMS totaled \$753,615 this year.

Gifts By Category



GIVING BACK TO CRMS

Colorado Rocky Mountain School depends on the generosity of alumni, parents, and friends to support its mission of cultivating a learning environment in which students discover their potential to excel as individuals, contribute to their communities, and participate thoughtfully in the world we share.

The following lists acknowledge gifts to various funds, including the Annual Fund, made July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. Gifts to Colorado Rocky Mountain School's Annual Fund provided the necessary support ensuring that the school could successfully deliver the CRMS experience to all students.

Thank you to all of our supporters!

It is important to us that we acknowledge your gift(s) properly; please inform us regarding any omissions or errors in listing your name or gift by contacting Diane Darrough at 970-963-2562 ext. 132 or ddarrough@crms.org.

CORNERSTONE CIRCLE

(\$100,000 or more over lifetime)

► SOPRIS CIRCLE

(\$1 Million and above)

Mary Whitford Graves '60

Jane B. Pettit Foundation

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(\$500,000 to \$999,999)

Geary Atherton '68, William Knox Holt Foundation

Elisabeth Brehmer '55

Tom & Noel Congdon

Sherri Draper & Will Ferry

Gates Family Foundation

Harold* & Patricia Pabst

Lynde B. Uihlein '63, The Brico Fund

Anonymous

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George & Margot Greig

Ted Hepp '61

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Cynthia Yates Price '72 and Lester Price

Anonymous

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(\$100,000 to \$249,999)

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Ilsa Perse '66

Evelyn Petschek '68

Muffy Ritz '75, Ritz Family Foundation

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Needmore Fund

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Colorado Foundation

Francis Whitaker*

John & Charlotte Yates

Anonymous

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Towne Allen '69

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Inez Black

Emily Bray '75

Barbara Buchanan '65

Tony Cherin '58

Sara Bunn Chesney '77

Beach Clow '77

Sherri Draper

Katherin Dumont*

Bill Dumont '57

Leila Gass '82

Andy Gould '60

Katherine Gould-Martin '61

Mary Whitford Graves '60

Anne McNiff Gwathmey '78

Lee Hall '83

Beth Finder Harris '60

Erin Hayne '95

Ted Hepp '61

Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Johnston

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James Koons '72

Starr Lanphere '60

Betsy Lauber '66

Lynn Bradley Leopold '60

Margaret Lewis

Jan and Amos Melendez

Mary Wilmer Mills '72

Loulie Molloy

Edith Morris

Sandra Mowry

Kate Paddon '80

Tony Perry '55

Ramelle Cochrane Pulitzer '68

Cory Hardie Ritchie '92

Barbara Ross

Rob Sayre '58

Colin Bunnell Schieck '78

Susie Schlesinger '68

John Schweppe*

Jonathan Siegel '71

Pat Stein Spitzmiller '60

John Stickney '57

John T. Watson*

Tad Whitaker '94

Ashley Whittaker '89

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ANNUAL FUND

► RED HILL

(\$25,000 and above)

George and Margot Greig

Anonymous

► ROARING FORK

(\$10,000 to \$24,999)

Aspen Community Foundation

Geary Atherton '68

David Bonderman & Laurie Michaels

Reilly Dillon '86

Sherri Draper & Will Ferry

The Four Points Family Foundation

Matt & Tasha Given

Mary Whitford Graves '60

Ted Hepp '61

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 William Knox Holt Foundation
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 John & Charlotte Yates
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(\$5,000 to \$9,999)
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 Beck Foundation
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 Sandra Mowry
 Ilsa Perse '66
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 Thendara Foundation
 Lynde B. Uihlein '63
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 The Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro
 CORE - Community Office for Resource Efficiency
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 Michael & Julie Kennedy
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- Eugene & Della Butcher
 Tony '58 & Bernadette Cherin
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 Gyo Moon Jin & Hye Jung Yun
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 Cynthia Yates Price '72 & Lester Price
 James Ramge
 Muffy Ritz '75
 Joanna Miller Runeare '74
 Rob Sayre '58
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 Martin & Ruth Carver
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 James Amos '60
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 Tamim Ansary '66
 Brad Ansley '67
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 Laura Bartels
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 Liz Beerman
 John Beezer
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 Peter Benedict & Misty Groves
 Kat Bradley Bennett '82
 Sherri Duncan Bennett '73
 Kate Bennis '82
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 Leslie Bethel
 Dwight Johns & Betsy Bingham-Johns
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 Angus Bohanon '07
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 Laura Hegeman Brodie '91
 Seth Brown '91 & Adriana Pevec-Brown '92
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 Katie Browne '95
 David Brudzinski
 Margaretta A. Bruegger '95
 John & Margaretta Bruegger
 Thompson & Nancy Buchanan
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 Steve & Mary Ann Bunnell
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 John Chase '60
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 Nina Clark '05

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 Katarina Coates '10
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 Michael Colangelo '04
 Deborah Collins
 Tom & Helen Collins
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 Kevin & Thisha Craig
 John Crane '76
 Ethan Cranmer '10
 Ragnar Crowley '92
 Amber Crowley '90
 Susan Cuseo
 Amy Daggett '78
 Devon Daney '85
 Peter Darrah '86
 John Dawson '90
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 Elly Krueger '04
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 Dan & Jackie Duncan
 Amanda Dworski '90
 Caelina Eldred-Thielen '10
 Alan Eldridge '88
 Anne Eldridge '80
 Perrin Elisha '92
 Jackie Eschenmoser-Willimann '59
 Elsie Falconer
 Peter Farmer '79
 Bruce & Cynthia Fehring
 Winnie Koch Fernandez '57
 Burch Fisher '99
 Nora Fisher '58
 Sigrid Bredenberg Flor '75
 William Fontana
 Juliana Forbes '78
 Henry Foster '88
 Franz Froelicher & Heather Hause Froelicher
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 Teri Gelineau
 Victor & Diane Gerdin
 Paul Gibbs '69
 Karen Good
 John & Keven Goodwin

Teresa Frost Graedon '65
 Margaret Graham '65
 Gretchen Grebe '05
 Lotus Grenier '01
 Rod Griffin & Kay McCabe
 Richard & Gail Grossman
 Alexander Hadden '64
 Erin McVoy Haines '93
 Lee Hall '83
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 Kit Havice '58
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 Erin Hayne '95
 Harry Heafer '75
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 Eli Herb '90
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 Dasha Jensen Hesker '80
 Patty Burke Hickey
 Missy Hoagland-Scher '71
 Mitch Hoke '06
 Ben Holden '57
 Tack & Katy Hossli
 Dave & Julie Howard
 Ken & Eleanor Hubbard
 Arthur Hughes '62
 Trevor Hunter '09
 Scott Hutchins '03
 Meredith Stauss Jackson '73
 Tai Jacober '95 & Molly Ogilby Jacober '94
 Trallee Jaks
 You-Jeong Jeong '07
 Peter Johnson '00
 Elizabeth Johnston '00
 Kathleen Jones
 Emma Juniper '03
 Stephanie Goehrig Kassels '97
 Ted Kauffman & Leigh McGown-Kauffman
 Mike & Linda Keefe
 Linda Livingston Kegel '79
 David & Angela Kellaway
 Sarah Daney Kelly '90

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 Catherine Stibolt Kingston '73
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 Sally Koenig '79
 Ashley Krest '94
 Leah Krieger '99
 Johanna Krueger-Borchard '01
 Allison Lake-Herbert '88
 Chris Landry '67
 Mandy Lane '99
 Joshua Lange '93
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 T. R. Lappala '71
 Hannah Laufe '74
 Travis Leach '03
 Wendy Marston Lehmann '87
 Grady Lenkin '10
 Nick Lenssen '78
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 Amy Lozier
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 Charles & Charlotte Lueders
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 Rob Mackinlay '80
 Bill & Christy Maron
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 Kevin McCarthy
 John McCormick & Diane Kenney
 Gaelen McKee '03
 Elli McKinley '09
 Daniel McNamara '91
 Pleasant McNeel '82
 Art & Paula Mears
 Ed Merritt '70
 Suzanne Metzger
 Brock Micklow '75
 Sabrina Sadeghi Millecamps '94
 Tim Moore '57
 Moorea Morehart '02
 Kathy Lovett Moritz '67
 John Morrison '64
 Dagmar Laufer Mosthaf '92
 Kevin & Judy Muir
 Helen Muller '62
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 Tom Myers
 Luke Newbury '10
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Betsy Nord '89
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 David Nutt '67
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 Mark O'Kane
 Maria Olivas
 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas O'Shea
 Juan & Sofia Osorio
 Julie Deutsch van Overbeek '78
 Jeffrey Parker '76
 Catherine Evans Parker '70
 Hayes Parzybok '99
 Terry Lee & Bill Perich
 Marian Perregaux
 Tina Peshlakai
 Oneal Peters '03
 Heidi Campbell Pflaum '87
 Robert & Susan Pietrzak
 Emelie Piper '01
 Dan Pittz & Lauren DeAre
 Susan Maffei Plowden '74
 Zachary Podmore '06
 Barry & Susan Pool
 David Powers '72
 Anne Brown Pundyk '74
 Fiona Raebiger '97
 Iris Rankin '08
 Esthela Rascon
 Don & Sue Reed
 George & Nannine Reynolds
 Marlin Rhodes & Monica Perez Rhodes
 Rachel Richards
 Carolyn Hager Rollins '59
 Barbara Ross
 Toni Shorrock Rupchock '68
 Drew Sakson
 Chris Santacroce '90
 Avi Scheinbaum '00
 Jeff & Lynnette Schlepp
 Sophie Hagist Schlumberger '95
 Mark Schmid '82
 Megan Schumacher '09
 Moneeka Settles '86
 Christopher Sharpe '07
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 Jonathan Siegel '71
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 Riley Skinner '09
 Steve & Skye Skinner
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 Jeff Smith
 John Smith '97

Ashley Smith
 Terry Smith & Linda Darty
 Leon Smith & Kathleen Dailey
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 Sharon Sprague '67
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 Lynn Stephens '72
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 Gregory Stewart '76
 Richard Stibolt '73
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 Scott Stricker '78
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 Mima Strong '10
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 Miranda Terwilliger '95
 Josh Thompson '80
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 Kellam Throgmorton '01
 Martha Todd '96
 Taro Tomisawa '04
 Bob Troup '80
 Sha:nta D'Alanzo Tucker '94
 Daniel & Janis Tuerk
 Mark Tuttle '72
 Judith Udall
 Sally Valin
 Hector Vazquez & Raynalda Guzman
 Jon Vimont '91
 Gina Cuseo Vitali '98
 Elizabeth Larsen Von Der Ahe '77
 Lindsey Washburn '87
 Kate Eldridge Weaver '82
 Jan Weber '06
 Tim Whitley '76
 Celeste Wiedmann '77
 Morgan Williams
 Hal & Michelle Williams
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 Ross Woodward
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DR. CAROL ANN RYMER DAVIS '62



Dr. Carol Ann Rymer Davis of Denver, CO, and her flying partner, Richard Abruzzo, of Albuquerque, NM, were lost at sea on Wednesday, September 29, 2010 in an area of severe thunderstorms over the Adriatic Sea. Both were world-champion gas and hot-air balloonists and

were competing in the Gordon Bennett Race which had launched from Bristol, England, on Saturday, September 25.

Carol was born in Denver, CO, on November 28, 1944, to Drs. Charles and Marion Rymer, both deceased. She is survived by her husband of 42 years, John C. Davis IV; two daughters, Heather Mead Davis Benavidez (Jody) and Marne Anne Davis Schmitz (Jon F.); and five grandchildren: Isaiah and Ryan Benavidez, and Margaret, Hunter and Tanner Schmitz.

A Colorado Rocky Mountain School graduate of 1962, Carol enjoyed her years at "Rocky Mountain." She fondly spoke of skiing, helping to build the adobe art building, kayaking, and her studies while there.

A woman of uncommon capacity and accomplishments, Carol excelled in a number of fields. One of Denver's leading radiologists, she received her bachelor's degree from Colorado College, her medical degree from The University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, and she completed her residency in Nuclear Radiology at the Lovelace Medicine Center in Albuquerque, where she also began her career. Until her death, she was a partner at Diversified Radiology, specializing in women's health.

By the time she was 18, Carol had climbed all of Colorado's 14,000-ft. peaks. She was an accomplished and avid skier and held the Senior Women's championships for Slalom, Giant Slalom, Super G, and Downhill.

Carol and her husband, John, began hot-air ballooning in 1972 and were considered among the founders of the now-popular sport of hot-air ballooning in America. Carol held numerous aviation world records and titles and had received the top honors given to balloonists and to all of aviation.

She served 22 years in the United States Army Reserve as a flight surgeon and retired as a full colonel in 2001. Military honors and awards included being an Honor Graduate of the Expert Field Medical Badge School at Fort Carson, Colorado, and the Meritorious Service Medal for her service during Desert Storm.

She is also survived by her sisters Sue Rymer Gordon (Brian) of Andrews, TX, and Ruth Rymer (Ron Borden) of Castro Valley, CA, a brother Dr. Robin (Marilyn) Rymer of Kansas City, MO; her mother-in-law Margaret S. Davis, and her sister- and brother-in-law: Marne Davis Kellogg (Peter M.) and Andrew S. Davis, all of Denver, CO. A memorial Service was held on October 16th at St. John's Cathedral in Denver. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the donor's favorite charity in Carol's name.

CRMS friends are welcome to share memories of Carol on-line at: <http://www.carolrymerdavis.wordpress.com> or post picture memories of Carol at: <http://carolrymerdavis.shutterfly.com>.

This In Memoriam is based on the obituary originally published in the Denver Post on October 8, 2010.

Note: At press time we received the news that Carol and Richard's remains had been recovered from the Adriatic Sea

JOHN WINSLOW GRAVES '59

John W. Graves, 70, passed away on Sept. 18, 2010, after a courageous year-long battle with neuropathy and surgical complications.

John was born Jan. 14, 1940, in Grand Junction, Colo., to Dr. Kenneth and Thelma Graves, descendants of pioneer families who could trace their lineage to passengers on the Mayflower. John had a lifelong interest in American history, probably because of his family's history. He especially related to the history of American firearms.

John graduated from Colorado Rocky Mountain School in Carbondale. He was on the Aspen Ski Patrol, played on the school soccer team, and sang madrigals with Paula Mechau. John attended the University of Denver, where he met Kristin Carlson. They married in 1961 in Moline, Ill.



John's work centered mainly on the financial industry. However, he held a number of other jobs, including spike driver for the Green River, Utah, railroad; surveyor for the uranium industry in Bear's Ears, Utah; guard for the Adams County Jail; driver for Brinks Armored; gas monkey for Walker Field Airport in Grand Junction; and firearms salesman.

John was a lifetime member of the Methodist Church, the Colorado Gun Collectors Association, and the Albany Pistol and Rifle Club, and president of the Grand Junction Kiwanis Club. He was awarded a graduate degree in savings and loan administration from Indiana University, and was board chairman of Valley Federal Savings and Loan.

Some of the favorite memories the family has of John are watching him build and fly model airplanes, running his model railroad, talking about the history of Colt firearms, eating clam chowder at Nye Beach, looking for the perfect antique pen, listening to tall tales by the campfires in the Southwest, and hearing stories of the early fur trappers of the West. "Them was shinin' times!"

John is survived by his wife, Kristin; daughter Jennifer and her husband, Rob Hibbs; son Garth; grandchildren Zachary Ekstrom and his wife, Nicole, Conner and Kaitlyn Hibbs, and Brandon, Heidi, Spencer, Acacia and Daphne Graves; great-grandchildren, Colin and Halle Ekstrom; sister, Jari Graves-Highsmith and her husband, Don; James and his wife, Nancy; niece Raissa, and nephews Leathan Graves-Highsmith and Conrad Cahoj.

A celebration of life took place on Oct. 2 at the First United Methodist Church in Corvallis. Interment in Colorado was held on Oct. 30. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Jack Snobble Memorial Endowment for Scholarships at Colorado Rocky Mountain School.

This In Memoriam is based on an obituary which appeared in the Corvallis Gazette-Times on September 24, 2010.

DR. DAVID R. METCALF

Dr. David R. Metcalf, 89, died August 21, 2010, following a brief illness and complications of essential thrombocytosis and dementia in Walterboro, SC.

David was born October 6, 1920, in New York City to Oscar and Celia Siegel. He graduated from Antioch College in Yellow Springs, OH, and the University of Rochester Medical School. He served in the US Army Medical Corps at Fort Meade, MD.

He joined the faculty at the University of Colorado School of Medicine in Denver, and became Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Director of EEG (brain wave) Research. He is author of numerous scientific papers.

In 1975, he completed training at the Denver Institute for Psychoanalysis, and left the University to establish private practice in Denver. He later moved his practice to Albuquerque and Santa Fe. After retiring from active practice, he lived in El Rito, NM, Philipsburg, MT, and the Beaufort, SC, area.

David married Antioch classmate Genevra Bowen. They lived in Boulder for 20 years where they raised their family of 2 boys and 2 girls. After David and Genevra divorced, he married Sheila Horan in 1971 and lived in Denver for over 10 years before moving to New Mexico.

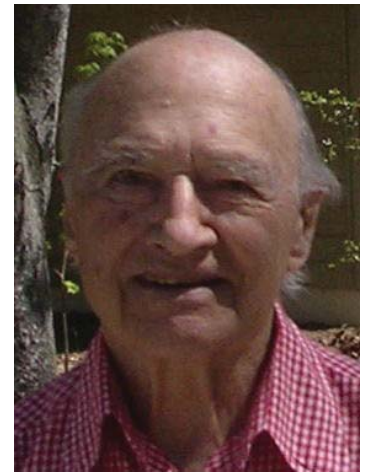
He enjoyed tennis, downhill skiing, hunting, and fly fishing, as well as family camping trips to Guaymas, Mexico, in winter and the Colorado mountains in summer. He was a voracious reader, book collector, and lover of jazz.

David was a member of the Denver Institute for Psychoanalysis, the Colorado Psychiatric Society, and other professional societies. He served as chairman of the board of trustees for Colorado Rocky Mountain School in Carbondale, and also served on the Board of Trustees of the Philipsburg (MT) School District and the Granite County (MT) Hospital District.

David was predeceased by twin brothers Richard and Robert Siegel and former wife Genevra. He is survived by sons Evan (Mary Crawford) of Denver, CO, and Conard (Patricia) of Boulder, CO, daughters Celia Metcalf McVicker (CRMS class of '67) of Sunnyvale, CA, and Gail Swinney of Cheyenne, WY; four grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

A memorial observance was held in Denver on October 9, 2010. Condolences may be sent to DavidMetcalfFamily@gmail.com.

This obituary is based on one which appeared in the Denver Post on September 3, 2010.





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PARENTS OF ALUMNI:

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PUMPKIN COOKIES

From Fiona Pax O'Donnell

Pumpkins, which originate from North America, help prevent free-radical damage, have anti cancer benefits, decrease wrinkles and improve skin tone, and the smell is known to have aphrodisiac effects.

½ cup butter	2 teaspoons cinnamon
¾ cup sugar	¾ teaspoon allspice
2 ½ cups flour	½ teaspoon ginger
1 cup fresh pumpkin puree	½ teaspoon cloves
1 teaspoon vanilla	1 teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon salt	1 teaspoon baking soda
1 egg	

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

Cream butter and sugar, add egg, vanilla, and pumpkin puree.

Mix all dry ingredients and add to pumpkin mix.

Drop teaspoons of dough onto a cookie sheet and bake for 15-20 minutes or until golden brown.

Cool and serve with drizzled icing on top (combine 2 cups of powder sugar, 3-4 tablespoons milk, 1 tablespoon of melted butter, and 1 teaspoon of vanilla).

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— By Fiona O'Donnell