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A close-up photograph of a wicker basket filled with rolled-up rawhide diplomas. The diplomas are light brown and have white labels attached to them. Some labels clearly show the text 'Colorado Rocky Mountain School'. The basket is made of woven wicker and is placed on a wooden surface. In the background, there are green plants and a wooden fence.

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Traditional rawhide diplomas were given to
students at Graduation on June 2

Letter from the HEAD OF SCHOOL



Jeff Leahy hugs his daughter Megan after presenting her diploma at this year's graduation ceremony.

I recently wrote a letter to our parent community about the importance and value of Spring Trip at this time in the lives of our adolescent students. Among the many benefits, the trip provides our students with very real obstacles that they have to overcome and places them in unscripted and sometimes unpredictable situations from which they experience growth and gain self-confidence when they collectively and individually confront, navigate, and overcome challenges along the way. It would be a mistake to assume that teenagers don't appreciate the value of a challenge. They like discovering what they are capable of achieving and stretching their limits; they like discovering who and

what they are, and subsequently the value of their contributions to the larger group. Viewed in this light, a Spring Trip's worth is not merely based on the physical demands of navigating a beautiful external landscape, but additionally, the development of internal values and a sense of self as the students confront themselves in the absence of distractions and artificial boundaries.

I am reminded of William Deresiewicz's American Scholar essay on "Solitude and Leadership," in which he observes that in Joseph Conrad's Heart of Darkness the assistant to the central station manager is so lacking in any personal creativity – a product of full compliance – that the narrator describes him as a "papier-mache Mephistopheles," bereft of any depth, meaning, and true purpose that he possibly only contains some "loose dirt," but little other substance inside his being. The assistant is someone who has gotten where he is by "kissing his way up the hierarchy" and by being a good company man – as he advances within a system that rewards compliance over creativity, imagination, and individualism.

I think about these outcomes as I watch current teaching and learning go in a direction that emphasizes standardized tests and standardized teaching practices that allow for efficient data collection and evaluation of the students based on established standards. The obstacle that we are faced with is that there is the potential in this educational movement for us to lose our focus on the

individual learner as we begin to develop expectations and a norm on a larger group average. All this is done with the best intentions, and yet we need to be cautious about creating educational recipes that program our students to read, write, analyze, and synthesize information in a predictable and regimented way by outlining the expectations for each class and assignment so clearly for the learner that there is little room for unscripted, unpredictable intellectual adventures. This limited and systematic approach to education is all done with the student in mind: it intends to maximize learning by producing positive outcomes, assuring clear academic standards and testing performance, and teaching students how to work within the parameters of a classroom.

No one will disagree with outcomes that are validated in academic performance, but I think that it doesn't have to happen at the exclusion of some very important learning experiences. We intuitively recognize the consequences and limitations of instructional atmosphere that provides such clear margins and direction that the primary challenge is merely navigating the boundaries. I wonder how the student in such a system then deals with and thrives when faced with open questions and problems. It is fair to question whether this is just a new version of the much-maligned concept when students sat in rows; the only difference now is mental rows have replaced the physical ones that were part of an industrial age. In a recent conversation with Lori Gavette, a senior faculty member at CRMS, she astutely observed the challenge a student who has been drilled on the five-paragraph essay faces when confronted by a college essay question that asks you to describe who you are in a specific number of words and no other guidance. Students need a solid foundation, and this includes adequate preparation for the unpaved path that they will experience in life, and this is not merely limited to academic experiences, but social ones as well.

Independent schools have always relied on and benefitted from both its diverse instructional practices and personalities of faculty who understand that they are teaching students and not solely subjects and collecting data. This relationship between mentor and student is an essential difference as the shift in teaching and learning becomes more personal and humanistic; it allows our students to both observe and manufacture within themselves beliefs, values, and a vision of their place in the world beyond the "loose dirt" of the assistant to the station manager. We are in the business of

connecting and communicating with students, knowing and understanding them, and believing in them and not a system or a specific subject.

Beyond our diverse approach to many of our classes, I believe that our students benefit from an immersive and expansive art program that allows for them to explore and creatively express themselves. Our Spanish language program emphasizes not learning a language, but showing our students how a culture thinks and sees the world. As a result, our international trips become more than just a trip to enjoy the food, fun, and flags of a nation, but to have a greater appreciation for others in the world. An enormous amount of planning and preparations go into all our trips, but we can't control the weather, group dynamics, and conditions. These are all ways in which our students are educated for a lifetime that will require them to be imaginative and resilient when they face obstacles that are not found on a map or outlined in an academic standard.

As a parent, I understand the impulse to protect my child from adversity by smoothing over the paths that our children are traveling. However, part of giving them an opportunity to develop self-sufficiency, personal values, and inner strength is to allow them to navigate challenging situations and figure out solutions on their own with the support of adult mentors who will be there to help them, without clearing the path for them. With a daughter graduating from CRMS this June, I feel so fortunate that Megan has had a chance to experience a high school that has left plenty of obstacles in her way for her to navigate on her own and in her own time. Megan and the other seniors spent a portion of their last month at CRMS on their senior projects – a final experience that demands maturity, grit, and confidence to pull off successfully. These projects of their own design and execution bring closure to their time at CRMS that began with a wilderness orientation and serve as an introduction to the next phase in their lives. I do not exaggerate when I share how amazed I am at how much each senior will have grown during their time within our program, under the guidance of the adults in the community and with the support of their peers. As a benefit, they are well prepared for what awaits them at college and life after college.

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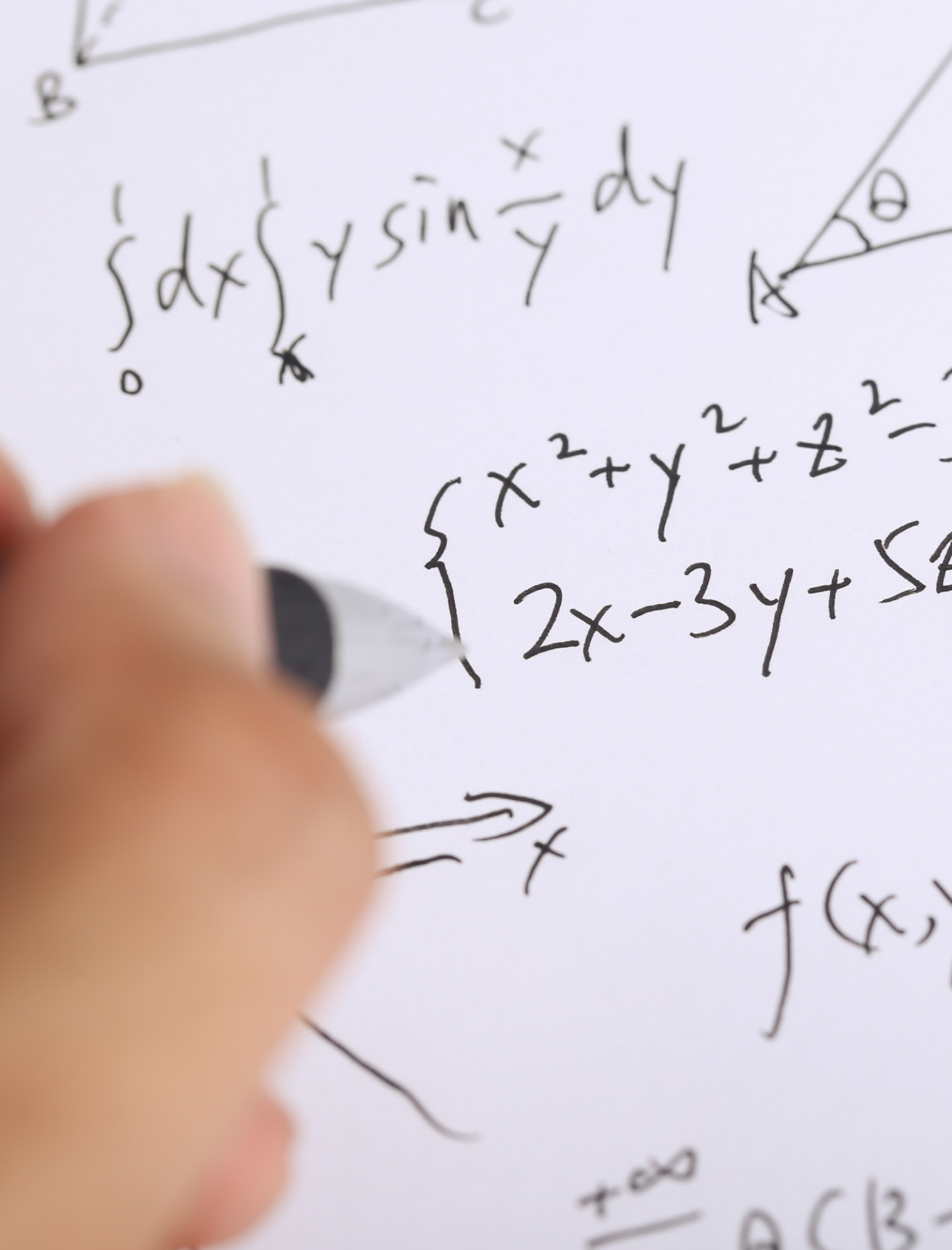
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TAKING MATHEMATICS TO NEW HEIGHTS

- BY ALLISON JOHNSON

Mathematics is beautiful, and practicing it is a form of craftsmanship. That's the message Mathematics Department Chair William Brown hopes students take away from their time in mathematics classes at CRMS. Three years of mathematics are required at CRMS, but students can continue as far as their curiosity and drive can take them. This year that meant that a group of five talented seniors progressed through Multivariable Calculus, a challenging course usually reserved for college students.

"We've had some number of students for the past six years who have gone past the AP Calculus curriculum," says Brown. "What's uncommon is the size of this group. They've gotten there by demonstrating their capabilities and aptitude for mathematics but also their eagerness and desire to learn more. They're curious. I haven't pushed them, but I'm happy to go along with them."

The students, Sunni Raleigh, Levi Gavette, LJ Robertson, Michael Ren, and Forrest Haugaard, were identified and encouraged freshman year to move forward at an advanced pace. The experience has taught them as much about mathematics as it has about their strengths, interests, and life in general.

LEARNING MATHEMATICS FOR ITS OWN SAKE

"Math is what you make of it at CRMS," says Robertson, who will be attending Columbia University in the fall. "At whatever level you're at, if you've got the will to work, you can make math what you want it to be. There are flexibility and support from the department to make that happen."

Brown says the department actively tries to honor student curiosity and flexible learning. "We get teens from all over the world who are at different levels. The department's goal is to meticulously detect what students know, what they need to know, and identify what we can do to work with them to get there."

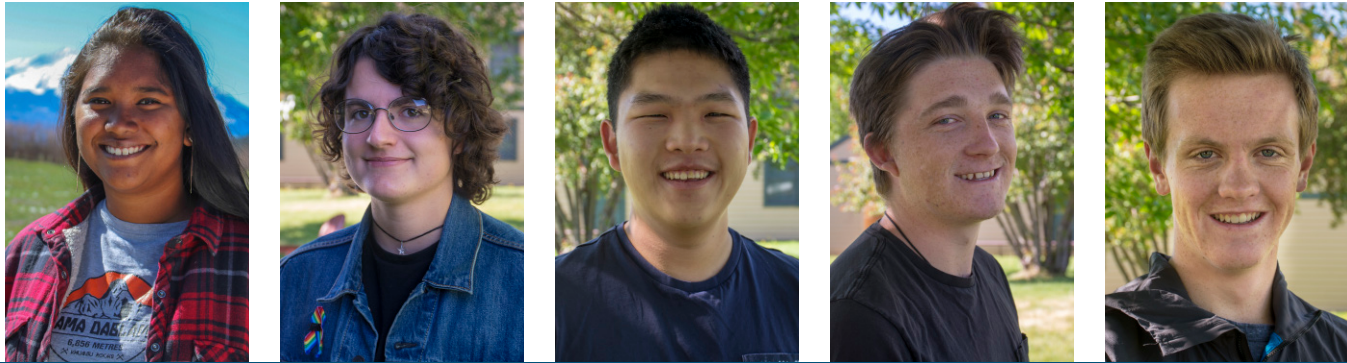
Within the department, teachers establish philosophical consent about student outcomes, learning, and degree of rigor. That framework emphasizes a substantial use of the language of mathematics. The lesson, instruction, and tools used, however, are up to individual teachers. The web-based curriculum Aleks, for instance, forms the basis of this year's Algebra 2 class. Brown likens the program to a textbook but emphasizes that learning is about the trifecta of students, instructor, and

material. A good course involves the interaction of all three. In the case of Multivariable Calculus, students have a deep appreciation for each other and the content.

"The classes are very collaborative," says Robertson. "We'd get homework problem sets, and we looked to our peers for help when we needed it. We used all five collective brains to get through, and that created a community around it."

Ren, who will be attending Northeastern next year, agrees. "When we hit problems, we grouped up, got our thoughts out, worked together, and then shared them with the teacher."

Gavette, who will be attending Middlebury next year, attributes much of his progress to the small class size and the mathematics department's teaching style, which includes a mix of direct teaching, hands-off observation, patience, clear explanations, and knowing their students well. The result is that students always understood what they individually needed to do but also learned how to reach out for help with appropriate questions to guide them further.



left to right: Sunni Raleigh, LJ Robertson, Minda Ren, Forrest Haugaard and Levi Gavette

“When you get to this level, it’s very logical and step-by-step,” says Gavette. “If you don’t understand one step, you go back and figure it out. Sometimes it takes a certain amount of slowing down to go faster. Earlier mathematics classes felt more scattered. Now it feels rational and logical, and I understand the process behind each step.”

Such growth is part of Brown’s hope that students can develop a dispassionate mindset towards solving hard problems that then mature into enjoying the process and appreciating mathematics for its own sake. “The production of mathematics solutions is deeply craftsmanlike and involves care and attention, layout, symmetry, concision, and detail,” he says. “I want them to have an appreciation for mathematics solutions as being necessarily beautiful.”

MATHEMATICS, WESTERN THOUGHT, AND LIFE LESSONS

Equally important is that students understand mathematics’s greater role in western thought and in a liberal arts education. “It’s important to understand mathematics as an endeavor of human study that has been around for hundreds of years. It has value for its own sake,” says Brown, “and not just because it can be used to build a cabin.” Students are just as much a part of mathematics’s historical timeline as those who study it professionally or teach it, and Brown feels there is deep value to the fact that all mathematics teachers in the department are practicing mathematicians themselves.

“I try to be knowledgeable in the content area,” says Brown, whose degrees are in astrophysics and medical physics. “Mathematics humbles me. I’ve studied a lot in my life, not just with technical rigor but also about mathematics’s philosophy and history. I believe you

have to be a practitioner as well as have the teaching skills to do it well.”

The Multivariable Calculus students appreciate that Brown is devoted to his field and studies it right alongside them. He’s not simply a page or two ahead, either. Robertson notes that having a teacher interested in the material makes a big difference, while Raleigh, who heads off to Smith in the fall, appreciates the teachers’ high expectations of them.

Although Brown impresses on students the importance of understanding mathematics’s vital role in a liberal arts education and western thought, he’s also willing to take side tangents into its application to show how mathematics can build that metaphorical cabin as well. It’s an important mix for some students. Robertson developed an appreciation for the logic, rigor, and steps involved in mathematics and said “it’s definitely worth following in and of itself,” but they most appreciated the detours the class took into showing how mathematics can be applied to subjects like radiology, planetary orbits, and even the electricity they studied in AP Environmental Science.

The process of learning mathematics is transferable to other areas of academia as well. Logic and rigor can help with forming debates and plotting out arguments, for instance.

“Mathematics teaches us to solve problems and creates a logical mindset,” says Raleigh. “In advanced mathematics, you can figure out multiple ways to solve it. That helps in other areas like in writing an essay. Mathematics finds itself in everything.”

Everything includes giving back to CRMS as well. After the class finished their multivariable textbook in the first semester, they decided to offer their services out to other students as tutors one day a week. Regular Calculus students were thrilled to tap into their expertise.

Looking back, the five students are grateful that the Mathematics Department teachers recognized their potential freshman year and allowed them to push ahead. Over the years at CRMS they’ve cultivated some insight for younger students as well. Raleigh notes that students shouldn’t be afraid to pursue advanced mathematics or any subject, and if they’re interested enough they should at least give it a try.

“The big thing is to do your work and not be afraid to do the work,” mirrors Gavette. “I was nervous to commit to it and thought the work would be over my head, but I decided to go all in and be ready to do the work. That’s what’s gotten each of us here - is consistently doing the work and being sure we knew what we needed to know.”

To Brown, that’s a lifelong lesson of beauty as valuable as any proof or solution.

“I hope these classes have allowed them to express their curiosity,” he says. “Teaching these five students has unquestionably been a highlight of my teaching career. I have enormous gratitude and humility for this experience with them.”



BOARDING SPACES AVAILABLE

Colorado Rocky Mountain School is accepting applications for boarding students for Fall 2018. Contact the admission office for more information.

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crms.org/admissions

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



INTERIM

Interim week takes place in mid-February when students and faculty alike are itching for a break from the long 3rd quarter. This year, there were 17 offerings - some long-standing traditional options as well as a few new options. The offerings this year included: Fluid Wood - paddle building; Civil Rights and Social Justice; Chicago: A photographic exploration of the urban landscape; Joshua Tree Trad Climbing Academy; Costa Rica - Language, Service & Culture; Silversmithing; Computer Generated Art; Sailing Certification in San Diego; Songwriting; Outdoor Leadership - Wilderness First Aid; Glassblowing, Ski-building; Island Ecosystems - Bahamas; Blacksmithing - Creating the Rio Grande ArtWAY; and Backcountry Skiing/Avalanche Level 1 Certification.



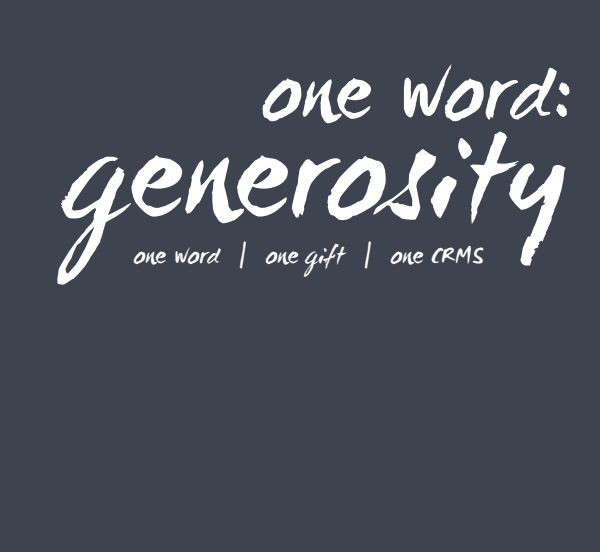
SPRING TRIP

Taking trips into the outdoors is a strong tradition at CRMS dating back to the early days of the school. For students and faculty alike, witnessing the beauty of magical places across the Western United States and enjoying the personal and community benefits of living simply and traveling in small groups help to make participating in CRMS's trips one of the most favored practices of the school community. Students and faculty spent seven days in late April hiking, biking, climbing, or river running throughout Colorado and Utah.

Development Update

one word | one gift | one CRMS 2017-18 Annual Fund Update

There is only one CRMS. One shared experience that unites us all. This year’s campaign has been celebrating the individual words that best embody the emotion, memory, and CRMS experience. For all of you who have already supported this important fund we greatly thank you. If you have yet to join us, thank you in advance for your consideration. Visit: www.crms.org click on Donate Now in the navigation bar at the botom of the page.



Leadership-Level Annual Fund Gifts

Each year we ask donors who have the financial capacity to consider joining us at a leadership level of giving. The success of the Annual Fund is founded on the principle of many donors contributing to the cause, and we are incredibly grateful for those donors who are able to serve as a leader of this cause with a gift of \$5,000 and above. The following donors have already committed a leadership-level gift to this year’s Annual Fund, and we want to thank them for their generosity. Please consider joining these donors and help lead the way.

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Alumni Participation is Key

Alumni participation in the Annual Fund is critical to the school’s overall health and success and shows a strong belief in CRMS and the mission.

Below, Cory Hardie Ritchie ‘92 shares why supporting a CRMS education is so meaningful to her and her family.

“My daughter, Fiona, started at CRMS this year. It was a strange and wonderful experience to set foot on campus as a parent. My heart almost burst from the combination of love for this place and love for my daughter - a collision of my past and her future, my childhood long gone and hers nearing the end. I feared there was no way her CRMS experience could live up to my own, but in many ways her experience has already surpassed mine. I’ve seen her curiosity ignited, her sense of adventure fostered, and her kindness appreciated.

The special magic that made my two years there the most impactful of my entire education is alive and well today. Now, more than ever, I feel drawn to give back to the community that gave me a sense of belonging and fulfillment at such a critical time in my development and is now doing the same for my daughter. I hope you will join me in supporting the CRMS annual fund to ensure this opportunity is available for generations to come.”

For all of those who have supported the one word | one gift Annual Fund, thank you. For those who would still like to participate, please join Cory with a donation by June 30, 2018.



Fiona ‘20 and Cory ‘92 at the Awards Presentation in May.

Did you know?

The garden produces around 10,000 lbs. of vegetables for the Bar Fork annually. This number is likely to double with our new garden expansion.

The strawbale garden building was built during the school year of 1998-99 and was a collaborative effort by faculty, students, and parents.

In preparation for the annual plant sale, students and garden staff grow around 6,000 plants, starting in January.

The garden is now home to the Biology Department’s Observation Beehive. It is set up high in the strawbale building and the bees enter and exit through a hole drilled into the south-side windows. The bees have access to a lot of food in the garden and are huge pollinators!

In 2017 the garden grew 2,800 lbs. of onions which sustained the kitchen all school year!

Each year the Garden Program diverts approxiametly 9,000 lbs. of food waste from landfills by composting it and turning it into a nutrient-rich soil ammdement.



CRMS Organic Learning Garden

Board of Trustee Spotlights



Jane Sullivan - Affiliation: Parent, Thomas '17

Jane Sullivan

What inspired you to join the CRMS Board of Trustees and what do you value most about CRMS?

I think I was drawn to the board at CRMS because I am so impressed with what CRMS does with its commitment and focus on the students and the community. I see its graduates as coming out of the school uniquely qualified not only to succeed with the academic and other challenges of college life, but, more importantly, to be able to positively contribute to those communities and their special challenges.

What are you most excited about as you embark on your new role as Trustee?

I feel like being on the Board will give me a bird's-eye view of how CRMS manages to help students be the best they can be, and honored to have that opportunity. So I guess what inspired me to join and what I value about CRMS are the same thing. In joining the BoT, I noticed that most current Board parents are local, and I felt that



Luke Falcone '11 - Affiliation: Alumnus

Luke Falcone

What inspired you to join the CRMS Board of Trustees?

CRMS is the kind of place that reveals itself to you throughout your life. Even a few years after graduating, I often come across gifts and lessons from CRMS that I did not even know were there. My time spent on the CRMS grounds and in the Roaring Fork Valley brought out the best of me, and I want to do everything I can to give back to the place and people who make it so special.

What do you value most about CRMS?

There is a lot to be said about the simple act of participation. The size and scope of the CRMS community ensures that every student has ample opportunity to pursue not only activities and studies of interest, but also applications that are beyond their grasp. Experiences like these mean a lot of wonderful successes, but even more floundering missteps. What I believe makes CRMS such an incredible place is the moment after a failure, where you are given the chance to make lasting connections as you rebuild and try again. Whether on the mountain, in the classroom, or in the chicken coop, those were the moments that shaped my time at CRMS and who I am today.

What are you most excited about as you embark on your new role as Trustee?

My stepdad once told me; "Cool people attract cool people." I think CRMS is full of really "cool" people. I love the moment when people's eyes brighten with curiosity as I explain my adventures and trips as a high schooler. All of those stories were made possible by a group of extremely talented and dedicated people. Not only am I extremely excited by the chance to interact and learn from those individuals again, but to have the opportunity to help them make the most of everyone's CRMS experience is a real honor. But really, I just want to see if I can still ski faster than Kayo and ride faster than Jeremy.



THE LEGACY CONTINUES...Head of School Jeff Leahy greets John Stickney '57 at the 2018 Commencement.

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meeting dates

- SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2018
- DECEMBER 7-8, 2018
- FEBRUARY 8, 2019 *video conference*
- MAY 17-18, 2019

CLASS NOTES

Class Notes are edited for space, clarity, and style. Share details and photos of special occasions and professional achievements in your life by going to www.crms.org/alumni/staying-in-touch/update-your-information/

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Susan Dean

So much of the shape of my life is because of John and Ann Holden and the teachers they hired during the 1950's with their guidance and love. Today, I continue to help buyers and sellers with their real estate needs. Hal is a retired architect and teaching sketching classes. We travel to Seattle, frequently to see our children and grandchildren. We love returning to New Mexico to see friends, family and having the good

chile. Hiking in Red Rock Canyon or Mount Charleston with our rescued Great Pyrenees delights us. Life is good!

1960

Cathy de Schulthess Galitzine

I am in Costa Rica after visiting Cuba. I was very impressed by the Cuban tenacity and courage after so many decades of difficulty. It is a beautiful country with incredible colonial architecture still holding up after all these years. Costa Rica is ecological in every way and thanks to the forests that cover the majority of the land there is a huge variety of birds, animals, and insects living in these forests. My son Cyril got married in July and is now living near Boston with his wife. He will be finishing his post doc soon and try for a research job in the private sector. The best of all is that I love my daughter in law! What a joy.

Dick Durrance

Much of last year was spent in a dark room editing pictures. The director of the Hood Museum at Dartmouth wants to include a

sampling of the images in their collection. An equally substantial amount of time went into preparing and being coached for a TEDx talk using the pictures and notes from a photographic journal I kept from the moment I reported to the US Army in 1966 until I returned from my tour in Vietnam in 1968. The talk was presented to 5,000 people on Veteran's Day 2017 in Denver. Here is a link to the talk: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yIEt_qqGaMg. This year I'm working with the Colorado Democratic Party to prepare short posts using my photographs and thoughts to try and bring the country back to a point where we work together to solve the challenges that need to be addressed.

Ursula Goodenough

Finally pulled together retirement: sold house in St. Louis and moved to my other house on Martha's Vineyard in June. My daughter Mathea lives here with her family and daughter Jessica and her family are next-island-over on Nantucket, and I'm making new friends and loving living in the woods right next to the open ocean. Still very immersed in science projects on-line, but doing retirement-style community stuff as well. Still blessed with no-problems health. Went on safari in Kenya in January. Now close to brother Dan and his family in NH and see them often.

Andy Gould

I continue living a bi-altitudinal life, summers in Flagstaff and winters in Patagonia AZ. In Patagonia, I continue volunteering at Patagonia Lake State Park. I was Wildcat Kelly in a dramatization of old Broadway hits including "Don't Fence Me In" and I sing with the Santa Cruz Singers. I serve on the board of Friends of Sonoita Creek. From

May to October I relax in the cool of Flagstaff ponderosa pines. This past summer my partner Rita and I traveled through Santa Fe and the Colorado Rockies. We spent a night with Pat Spitzmiller in Dillon and visited with Adele Hause in Carbondale. Jeff Leahy gave us a great tour of the school. There is so much happening at the school I sometimes wish I could go back and do it again.

Mary Whitford Graves

Nick, my husband, retired in late October 2017. So we took a two-week trip to Egypt to see the ancient ruins via a simple boat ride up the Nile. We also went to Mexico to have a winter beach vacation with our kids and grandkids. And recently Nick and I spent a month in London doing all manner of culture: concerts, theater, ballet. Now Nick and I stay home both here in SF and in Napa for a while. I'm a trustee for a Napa Valley chamber music festival that takes place each August. This role is particularly challenging this year because of the devastation caused by last fall's wildfires. I'm active in the AAUW pushing for equal pay for women here in SF and in California. I do yoga a couple times a week and hike several days as well. My SF house is always open to friends who may come to San Francisco. I'd love to visit with you.

Lynn Leopold

I spent my year busy with several local organizations, including our wonderful Cayuga Lake Floating Classroom (a shipboard science experience for school kids and adults), the Finger Lakes ReUse Center, several watershed-related organizations and the Greensprings Natural Cemetery that my husband, Carl, helped found and where he is now buried. I finished my season

pass downhill skiing in early March. I visited my dear friends again in Galway, Ireland and will go back again this summer. I also am going on a geology raft trip through Dinosaur with a friend from Ithaca in early June. Ithaca is a wonderful community, with such cultural and natural richness. I am happy to be living here. My warmest, fondest greetings to all my 1960 classmates! May we continue to live long and prosper!

Bill Moore

It's been a quiet year for Lorna and me. I'm long retired, but Lorna continues her research into high-altitude pregnancy at the Ob-Gyn department of the CU Medical School work. We managed a trip to Costa Rica in February. I volunteer at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science, take yoga classes, became a grandfather last year, still ski several times a year, take an annual 3- or 4-day backpack with friends in Utah's Canyonlands, chase steam locomotives from time to time, and spend summers at an old family Cabin high in the western Colorado mountains where I hike to my heart's content. Best to all.

Michelle Rosenbaum Lesser

It's generally been a good year for me. I've done a lot of work around the house and am now thinking of selling. This last fall I had to put my beloved Mr. J down. I have replaced him with Jake, a magnificent and extremely tall Afghan Hound from Korea. Last August I spent time in Mexico and loved it! We have had great entertainment this year, and I have been enjoying that. I feel well except for my back, which is the bane of my existence. I manage to exercise regularly. Social life is good. I'm quite content being a desert rat!

Robin Rymer

Marilyn and I spend most of our time jumping between Anchorage and New York where we visit with our two children and their 5 children. In the summer they come to visit with us at our small ski haus in East Vail. Great group and a lot of fun! We had 22 good ski days in Vail this past year: of course, it is pretty much ballroom and not like our early days at Aspen and CRMS. Our plans are to continue chasing those little grandchildren down the slopes until we are on full-time nasal O2!

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Elizabeth Davis

Retired a couple of months ago and moved from San Diego to Sahuarita, AZ, about 20 mi south of Tucson. It's beautiful here - mountains all around. Very busy place - lots to do. Love the Southwest - a good move.

David W. Owens

I retired from being an attorney after 43 years. Gloria and I are snowbirds wintering in Arizona and traveling spring to fall. We look forward to volunteering time for habitat for humanity and making trips to other continents.

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Ellen Clark Anderson

A big hello from northern California! I reside in the town of Folsom now, closer to one son and his family. I enjoy being only an hour or so from the Sierra Mountains and beating the summer heat by swimming in the chilly American River. Right now I am occupying my time with writing, doing board work, and contemplating life!



A screenshot taken from the TEDxTalk by Dick Durrance.

John Hollister

My wife, my son Jack and I are still on the extreme north fringes of the New Orleans metropolitan area, to which we returned in late 2008 after a 9-year sojourn in Northeast Ohio. I am virtually retired from what has been, for some years, my secondary job, practicing law. Fortunately, I have been blessed with an alternative, and much more satisfying, primary occupation. Upon our return to Louisiana, I was attached to the same small church congregation in which I first joined the Anglican Catholic Church and in which I was ordained more than 30 years ago. I am now the priest in charge there. Having married late in life, and after many years having had an even more anachronistic child, I also find myself father to an about-to-be high school senior- and facing all the quandaries such as “Where is a sane place to send a child to college in today’s world?” And I find being “the other kind of Father” is also a deeply fulfilling task.

Cathy Stern Lichtman

I’ve been retired for 4 1/2 years but still do some subbing at the library where I last worked. I tutor a first grader in a Detroit public school 2 mornings a week and volunteer as a master gardener. I spend time quilting and reading. Last September my middle son got married at a winery in Sonoma, Ca. They live in Chicago where he is a labor attorney. My oldest son lives in New Orleans with his wife and 2 children, aged 3 1/2 and 5 1/2. My daughter, a chef, lives in Portland, OR. In order to see them we travel a few times a year. At least we can take a train to Chicago!

Chris Morrison

I retired in December 2015 after working in Software Engineering

and programming since 1972. I am still climbing mountains (slowly) and skiing. Geology has become my main hobby, with endless opportunities to learn new things.

Jane Wright Pasipoularides

Even though life changes very little these years, it has a very nice rhythm to it. We shuttle back and forth between the mountains and the coast of North Carolina. We work to keep our minds sharp and our bodies healthy. Ares continues to write professional papers for publication. I take care of us, our business, and the two places cook everything from scratch, etc. etc. In between I’m a voracious history reader – that’s the piece that keeps my mind active. The rest is pure joy.

Peter Pitcher

I have lived in Anaconda for the last 35 years, and I ski often both xc and dh. I avoid moguls, and I like hardpack and powder. I ride both mountain bikes and road bikes, hike in the summer and play a little tennis. My retirement hobbies are welding and woodworking. I’ve got all the tools and I am still reminded by Dick Cobb saying, “Petah, that’s off by helwe a good sixteenth”

Linda K. Robinson

I’ve been living in Seattle for 23 years. I live in the heart of the city with my partner, Rita. I still teach a movement form called T’ai Chi Chih, even though I am officially retired. I still play the flute, and a month ago my teacher, another student and I played for our first retirement home “gig!” I am a longtime meditator and belong to several communities where we sit and discuss Buddhist teachings, applying them to today’s issues of race equity and white privilege. Am appreciating this spring’s burst of blooms and greenery. And I always

will appreciate my time at CRMS. Love to my classmates.

1965

Benjamin Barney

I am living in Lukachukai, AZ; in the middle of the Navajo Nation. I host many relatives and friends throughout the year. I do travel in the USA and in other countries. I traveled to Vassar College to work with students and spend some days in NYC, two days in Washington, D.C. and two days in Toronto. I will be in Germany but will be visiting friends in France, and the Czech Republic. The Navajo Nation is well and ever making changes. I continue to be involved in Early Childhood programs (birth to age 5) by sitting on the Navajo Nation Regional Board of the Arizona First Things First program. I continue to study the religion and arts.

David Strouse

I have been happily retired for 2 and a half years, moved from Los Angeles to Ventura 2 years ago. I have recently completed setting up a shop in my garage and am usually spending part of every day doing some woodworking with much of it involving lathe work, which I learned how to do at CRMS. Also enjoying grandchildren and family, going to the gym and sailing and fishing.

1966

Jenny Anderson

Just returned from Tanzania, where I had a great adventure and worked on my wildlife photography skills. Life is grand. My youngest daughter married her girlfriend in Utah last May, the day after she graduated from medical school. Their wedding was the best party I’ve attended. It was held in a distillery high on a hillside



Wade Wykert, Bart Chapin, Michael Kitchens, Harry Van Camp at Rowdy Yates’ wedding, January 2018.

outside of Park City. In the fall I took a road trip to the Yukon and back. What a place and what a trip. I am returning this fall so I can drive to the Arctic Ocean. Smaller trips have involved many trips to visit Fletcher’s 99-year-old, wonderful mom in the nursing home in Jackson, Wyoming, Christmas in Portland with Louisa and her kids, and a visit with Missy and Mel in Tucson. Had two meals with local CRMS friends (Kat Bradley-Bennett, Celia McVicker, Stan Gibbs, Mary Janss, Kathy Moritz ... and Les Andrews, in town from Switzerland).

Tamim Ansary

I’m writing one last book this year, and it’s kickin’ my ass. Also teaching memoir workshops and trying to keep my real-life story website going; take a look—memoirpool.com –and if any of you have a real-life story you’d like to share, send it to me.) Watching what my kids are doing from afar: two girls, both in Brooklyn. One is scene-painting for theaters in New York, the other’s working on a documentary about singer Lee Fields. You’ll hear more

about that. Maybe next year we’ll make it to the reunion if there is a reunion.

Bart Chapin

Got back to downhill skiing a few times this winter. I wish we had had the boots and skis I was using this winter when we were all skiing at CRMS. What a difference! Other news is that Lucy and I are heading to Norway in August to join Ivar and Kristin for a few days and then climb aboard a friend’s boat for a sail along the coast south of Bergen. If I get some time to work on it, my 1938 Velocette motorcycle might hit the road for a few miles.

Topher Delaney

I am in New York City and San Francisco. To alleviate the distraction of the current dismantling of a vulnerable democracy I have focused our studio efforts on launching an ambitious campaign of education.. our non-profit is 24 Bridges of Manhattan focusing on the extraordinary structural engineers and architects who

imagined, designed and constructed spans of masonry and steel for the engines, quite literally, of the industrial revolution ...the other part of the team is focused on a major collection of hand knotted Tibetan rugs. We showed in NYC @ ICFF in May. ART ON PAPER @ NYC. In March 2019 .. the ENSO series on rice paper as well as all the line drawings of the bridges.. This is a great exhibition ...Our gallery website is DelaneyandChinGallery.com. We just completed a large winery in Pope Valley California planted with hundreds of fruit trees, large sculptures, and stone monoliths.....I have two dachshunds ENSO + Oscar Wilde + a dog that is masquerading as a cat in form... Jeremiah...follow me on Instagram. I post a great deal and I find the process really enjoyable.

Merlyn Ruddell

Does anyone remember Ken Hause telling us that if we didn’t like rock crew, Candy Ass Prep had a limo and he would call for them to come pick us up? Geez, Candy Ass Prep sounds pretty good right now! Naw, still roughing it at the ripe old age of almost 69. Living on Kauai still sleeping semi-outside. I think we all caught something at CRMS, love of splendor and Canyonlands, spelunking, the Crystal and the amazing trails that came next. Please look me up if you come to Kauai, I would love to see you. We have 80 avocado trees, plenty coconuts, turmeric and lotsa wild chickens. Three unusual kids, one 42, one graduating from UCSB this summer and one from high school...

Pris Wagener

Grandchild no. 3, Jocelyn Violet Wagener was born Feb 11. We just returned from meeting her in Christchurch, NZ.

Rowdy Yates

Rowdy got married in January to an amazing woman, Madeline Feijoo. Some classmates were lucky enough to be there for a truly magical experience.

1967

Brad Ansley

This has been a wake-up year for us Ansleys. With my side of the family deciding that it was time to find another caretaker for our beautiful Smoky Mtn home, and my not being able to afford to buy them out we put the farm on the market and lo and behold the first couple who saw it offered a fair price! Since I'm not ready to give up woodworking, the relocation of my shop full of tools is stressing me out no small amount. We've been so fortunate to live a lifestyle full of artwork, furniture and other sorts of memorabilia that downsizing is painful and confusing chore to face. I was diagnosed with atrial flutter a little over a year ago, and in the summer underwent the ever more common heart ablation, a rather miraculous procedure that "fixes" the malfunctioning electrical pathways in the heart. I was somewhat gratified when Dan Dole told me that more than one of his super fit bicyclist friends have had the same issue with similarly happy results. When I asked about resuming an exercise regimen my cardiologist said, "Go live your life." I figure that means beer and pizza.

We lost Kathy's father a couple of months ago at the age of 81. He had a great run as the patriarch of Kathy's immediate family, a loving husband to Kathy's mom, a high school chemistry and math teacher of some 40 years and a storyteller of the highest order. Of course, we had the 50th CRMS reunion of all us 49ers that seems impossible that

so much time could have passed. CRMS looms large in my heart and it's truly wonderful that Kathy has been able to meet you guys and learn why. She and I just got back from a week on the little island of Bequia which is part of St. Vincent and the Grenadines waaaay down in the eastern Caribbean. It's hard to get there but that's why it's still so undeveloped.

Steve Barru

Da Nang is in Vietnam (though anybody who graduated from high school in 1967 probably knows that)! I am living here in splendid half retirement. The not-retired half of my time is spent working as an editor. For me, that involves doing damage control on academic manuscripts translated into English or written in English by Chinese people. Vietnam is a beautiful, wonderful place. CRMS visitors are always welcome!

Bernie Brown

I don't have any grandiose stories or travels to share with you. As previously shared, we moved to southern Arizona, (Palominas) about a year and a half ago. Have a nice home on 3.5 acres. Really like it here. Spent a couple weeks in the Philippines last fall at our house in Digos. Tried retirement for about 5 minutes. I'm now trying my hand at a fix and flip in Sierra Vista. Happy to have my health, though old age sure ain't for sissies.

Emily Rosenberg Pollock

I had a good year. I went to Greece with 2 of my boys and their spouses and my sister. It was a glorious trip. We were on Mykonos and Santorini. I found the swimming to be exhilarating. Didn't even mind all the fish sharing the water with me. The color of the water was indescribable. I traveled to see a few

of Philip's shows...Denver, Miami, Dallas, and Chicago. Joannie Ham visited me for a week in November and Bretta joined me in Chicago as we took on the "windy (and cold) city." Some CRMSers convened in Santa Fe for Rowdy's wedding and marched the Woman's march the same weekend. Bart Chapin and his wife, Lucy, followed me home from Santa Fe and stayed for a couple of days. My mother died in May...the end of an era, for sure. Max has given up the beach life to save taxes and moved to Las Vegas. Noah and Jaquleen have moved to NYC and are living 4 blocks from Philip. I have no complaints! Once again, I thank all of my classmates for contributing and staying in touch. Some of us have had unthinkable tragedies and events and it's nice to know that we are there for each other. Sadly, it isn't going to get better as we, ourselves, grow older but be comforted to know we have some amazing friends we can turn to.

Sarah Cooper-Ellis

I am back living in Putney VT where my three siblings are, and several nieces and nephews, and the maple syrup farm and store and shipping business, Hidden Springs Maple, now a top seller on Amazon. My husband Abijah and I live in the village, across from a vigorous arts venue where we often volunteer. My sons are in Brooklyn with one child each. I am finishing my first novel and will see it out in the world, one way or another. We were in northern Florida for two-plus months this year, watching the birds. Abijah at 82 is strong in his resistance to injustice, calling congresspeople regularly to give them a piece of his mind. We stand on the commons every week with our Black Lives Matter sign and most people honk appreciatively.

Tracy Fitz

I am still camping out in Brooklyn NY. with my cats, and some "roommates" from Kosovo who I met at my community garden. Playing the flute here and there,doing Airbnb in my basement apartment,taking up the revolution-me too, times up melt guns into bridges moderate testosterone end fossil plastic. Trying to get my body to be ok with moving around, stretching dancing here and there, yoga, Zumba, old age ain't for sissies, and you gotta be careful doing acupuncture without needles.

Sarah Forbes

My husband and I (and our cats) are in the process of moving into a nearby retirement community so we have been super busy. Our home of 33 years has just gone on the market for sale. I have a new e-mail address: sarahforbes72@gmail.com..

Stan Gibbs

We are now finally at rest in Boulder after a year of moving from Aspen to Eugene to Boulder. We love the town and are so glad to be back in Colorado again. We have two kids (and families) within 20 miles, which is great, and more grandkids on the way this summer. We have had a couple of gatherings with CRMS alumni here, organized by Celia, and it has been fun to see folks more often than just at reunion. We have also seen Wes Horner a couple of times; he is doing very well for 90+.

Kathy Lovitt Moritz

I am still working full time in my alternative health practice, but I try to get over to Glenwood Springs as often as possible to see my 2 grandkids (5 and 7) that are the biggest treat of all. I did spend a month in India in January and February. It was a good trip until I

launched myself down a flight of marble stairs and did a fair amount of damage including a broken nose in 6 places, a broken shoulder, and huge lacerations everywhere. I opted out of Indian hospitals and went instead to an Ayurvedic clinic that I knew of, they took fabulous care of me. I limped home 4 days later and am still recovering, but will get there eventually! The one upside to the accident was that I got to see a lot of the inner workings of Indian culture while I was hurt; everyone was taking such good care of me and took me to all the local happenings. We had a great mini CRMS reunion when Les Andrews ('68) came to town. Last week I had dinner with Stan (Gibbs), Mary (Janss) '66, and Wick (Moses) '66. After dinner, we all went back to Stan and Mary's house and listened to Mary play "Pictures at an Exhibition" on her mega-piano. That brought back fond memories of CRMS graduation for all of us! It was great to see everyone at the reunion and I look forward to keeping up the contacts!

Celia Metcalf

The Denver/Boulder CRMS gathering is in honor of Les Andrews. He magically appears in Boulder to visit his mother that is the cause for us to meet. Here are some photos of a brunch we had recently. In attendance were Stan & Mary, Jenny LeCompte Anderson '66, Les Andrews '68, Kin DuBois '68, Kat Bradley Bennett '67, Kathy Lovett Moritz '67. We hope that Patty Shelton '67 & Pris Wearin Wagener '66 can join us for the next one.

David Nutt

A highlight last year was our 50th reunion back on campus. It was exciting to reconnect with so many of you and to see the changes in both the facility and the curriculum.

Busy with boat work at the shop. This winter's project is the rebuild of another Boothbay Harbor One Design. These are beautiful 21' sloops designed by Geerd Hendel in 1937. Trying to figure out what to do to give myself another 50 years but I don't really think veneering is the way to go. Not enough skiing this winter but I darted out and had a few days of great skiing in California with my oldest son. Next winter the plan is little or no work and lots more skiing.

Warren Perkins

It was great to be at CRMS and see you all in August. I guess we missed the picture, but we were there. Ella and I have taken a couple of trips since then: in October, three weeks in Bolivia with three other family members, hiking and sightseeing in a landscape I'm still dreaming about; in February a couple of weeks in Nicaragua, including a few rural clinics with some other Flagstaff doctors. (It was our first visit to Masaya where many of Susan Meiselas's '66 fantastic photos were taken in the late 70's.) I keep working on fiction, Ella keeps working on her mammoth Navajo grammar.

Bretta Rambo

I don't quite know where to start. It was a year full of some wonderful times and a huge dose of tragedy. Last August, just days after I returned from a spirited and uplifting reunion at CRMS, our 37-year-old son died of an accidental heroin overdose. He was a brilliant, troubled soul who had had a rocky course since he was a teenager. In the year preceding his death, he finally seemed to be righting his ship, but addiction is a powerful and insidious disease, and in the end, drugs won out. It's hard to describe the shock and horror of it all, but with the help of good

friends and an amazing community we are working through the loss and attempting to figure out how to make something positive out of our personal tragedy. We had a fabulous trip to Italy and Greece last summer with a group of friends. The same group is reconvening in Bali early next year for snorkeling in Raja Ampat. Truly some of the best times I had were with CRMS friends....the reunion, lunches with Mike Kitchens '66 and Deirdre Dole Golani '65 and, Rowdy Yates '66.



Bretta's son Morgan

Sharon Sprague

I'm always intimidated by the full and exotic lives my CRMS fellows live. Right now I'm paying for a year of closing down our Tucson house and moving all we've accumulated to Bob's parent's house at Elephant Butte. The "payment" I mentioned is that my creaky old nurse's back has finally got the best of me and I believe I'm headed to back surgery. The second payment exacted of me occurred last August when the electricity in the mountains outside Albuquerque went away for three days and I spent my time trying to save a refrigerator full of food. And Bob? He was fishing in Glacier Bay, Alaska. Right now I'm gimping around a stage rehearsing

a show. Arm in a sling, can't stand up too good (the back). I think it's all karmic payback for fast living (learned at CRMS, like when Bill Knibbs and I set the riverbank on fire smoking unscheduled cigarettes, and the bucket brigade was called out), and general moral turpitude. Bob is fishing on the San Juan this time. Catching giant rainbow trout. Something wrong with this picture. He'd just be a pain in the butt, except he makes me laugh. I believe that's the secret of our marriage.

Chris Thomson

My 15 day solo kayak/flute improvisation trip down the grand canyon last May in the Roger Paris river boat I built in 1966 was wonderful beyond belief—so much so I hiked back to a favorite remote beach in the canyon for four more days of improv in November and am applying to every park service lottery for my next river trip permit. Currently, I am frantically working on an even bigger and more elaborate forged steel sculpture to replace the one I installed in the Chicago Sculpture Exhibition last May. I have to do a swim workout every day to keep my back functional.

Nancy "Nan" Ulett

I am still living in Maine, on Mount Desert Island. I can't believe I've been here almost 20 years! I live with my 2 cats, Hemingway and Gilley. My younger son, Teddy is staying with me for the summer. He is a scriptwriter, mostly for reality TV, and can do his work from here. My other son, Eliot still lives in St. Louis with his wife and 2 kids, Amelia (9) and Eli (6). I worked at the Jackson Lab for about 7 years, playing with mice all day. I retired from there thinking I could actually retire. Well, that didn't last long. So I have been working a few days a week at the

local Home Depot. It's really kind of fun. I also have a degree in Art (as well as Psychology from Webster University in St. Louis) so I decided to get into art here. Besides making sea glass jewelry I make Fish, from found objects. So far, I have fish in 32 states and 7 countries. I work in my kitchen so there are power tools and sawdust on every surface. (check out my art on my Facebook page 'Sea Change Studio') I am lucky to live in a beautiful spot, right in Acadia National Park. Would love any visitors who may be headed this way. Looking forward to Spring and a warm summer of hiking and some ocean swimming. Sorry I missed the reunions, but it has been fun to read what everyone is up to.

Harry Van Camp

A knee injury early in 2017 ultimately led to a knee replacement in October. While this slowed us down a little bit we made it to the 50th CRMS reunion. The blown glass fish I acquired at the reunion now sits on a shelf in my office to remind me of all of you! After that, we spent a few weeks visiting Amsterdam, Antwerp, Paris, and London. When we returned we joined some of you in Santa Fe for Rowdy's most amazing wedding. We also enjoyed the birth of granddaughter, Harriet and now look forward to the birth of my daughter and her husband's first child. Still busy with law practice and waiting for warmer weather.

1969

James Huntington Welch

Retired from the solar business, have a new life partner with a big family...4 grandkids.. spending 1/3 of the year on the Oregon Coast, 2/3 back in Colorado. See several classmates, regularly... Steve, Paul, and Alex. Had a great visit with Blake. Doing

traveling... mainly south, Mexico and Ecuador. All good. Man alive. ...

1970

Stefan Beck

Most of my career has been in the Mining and Mineral Processing Industry. This year I am taking a break from industry. I accepted a one year contract as the "Technical Math Instructor" at Great Basin College in Elko Nevada. I fondly remember all the effort and hard work of the CRMS staff when I was a student. I am hoping to give back to the students at Great Basin College. I only hope I can give to the students what the staff at CRMS gave to me!

1971

Jonathan Siegel

Grinning hello from Albuquerque - we live on 2/3 acre just up the bank of the Rio Grande in a snug adobe home with steel beams. My daily bicycle commute is down the Rio Grande ditch banks. I continue to practice architecture and recently completed a nifty rural health clinic which uses no fossil fuels. I am also a mediator and am involved in local politics. In spare moments I make homemade camembert and chevre; I fly fish and hunt wild mushrooms in season & do a fair amount of home canning. 35th wedding anniversary coming up, and our sole child lives in London. Visited Nigel Peacock two years ago Wales; great rollicking conversation & a brief hike to a nifty cwm. I hope to canoe or kayak the length of the Thames one of these years.

1973

Dominique Shelton

I am happily living in Ashland, Oregon doing somatic health care

- that's bodywork with counseling and some teaching the work I've developed over the years.

1974

Alicia D Keshishian

My life is full. Living in Sonoma County California is a great place to live with huge variety around every corner. It's hard to get me out of my studio where I spend every day making art. I still design custom carpets which are handmade in Nepal. Continue to design ~ specializing in textile design. I study color and find that teaching color is one of my most rewarding activities. Kim Anker-Paddon and I are in constant contact. Peter White periodically drops by and hope to see Melina [Wall] in June. I hope all is well in YOUR world.

David Tanner

Carol and I are still enjoying life in Minnesota. We see Caroline and Dutton Foster pretty regularly and play music with them from time to time. Recently lost our classmate and brother, Chris Link on the solstice. Peter White, Ellen Boswell Schiefer and I attended the memorial in Stanwood, WA, and Ellen, Carol and I were also at the Cincinnati memorial. Both were deeply moving and provided an opportunity for us to share some sweet memories of a sweet soul. I miss him every day. Hi to all of my 'Mates and hope to see you all at the reunion next year!

1976

Sue Maffei Plowden

All's well heading into 2018...was really great to connect with some old friends last year...raft trip through the Grand Canyon with Cate, boating and hiking in Maine with Melina...and at least in touch with

other classmates. Sad to hear about Chris Link, who'll be sorely missed.

Kent Bullard

Still living in Ventura, CA. Retired from the National Park Service in 2012, but still working as a Quality Assurance Auditor for the biodiesel industry which gets me around the country on a regular basis. Trying to offset my carbon burn by driving and promoting electric vehicles and alternative energy. Enjoying life with Cathy as we venture to new spots on this wonderful earth.

Douglas Carman

I have been a pediatrician working at Kaiser in the Los Angeles area since 1993. My wife is a criminal prosecutor for LA County (presently prosecuting gangs). I still enjoy skiing and backpacking, mainly in the Sierras of California. I have 2 children 17 and 20 yrs old.

Kelley Cooper

Working in the art departments in Charter Schools in Boise. Also working and teaching out of my painting studio.

A couple surgeries later, the broken wrist is healing. Soon to visit my son Cameron on Kauai, where he works on a turmeric farm. After 6 years since the loss of my daughter Glenn, life seems more than worth living, in her honor and for mine. CRMS has a full scholarship for one student in her name.

John Alexander "Alex" Crane

I have been living in North Central Washington, wedged between the Cascades and Columbia river, for the last several years working as an Emergency Physician and raising my four daughters!

1977

Suzie Alexander

I've been busy as executive director of Arts In Wellness based in Tahoe and selling my art; it involves constant learning which I really appreciate. I recently bought 35 acres in Hotchkiss CO, just an hour from Carbondale, and I'm beyond excited to get out there this summer to plan some permaculture landscaping and to start putting in a small dwelling. Let me know if you're planning on coming that way!

John Day

Life's good. kids are grown. Can't believe it was 40 years ago that we left CRMS. What a life.

Timothy Kinzler

40th year in real estate profession advising clients on their real estate matters and connecting with great people around the world. Maintaining fitness to maintain health, Thank you, Sandy Arnett, for the challenge of taking care of me many years ago! Travels have taken me to London, Mexico, Canada, Bahamas Everyday grateful for life lessons learned with CRMS culture! Come from Contribution!

1980

Andrew Reeves

I am still a neurologist, but after working for Mayo Clinic for the past 14 years I decided to downshift my life; I have taken a position with Allina Health at their clinic in New Ulm, MN. As my work burden has eased life has taken on a slower and more enjoyable pace. My older girls are settled (one just got her doctorate in violin performance!) and our younger girls are also doing well; one is about to start college

studying math, and the other still has a couple years of homeschooling left. I continue to play guitar, roast coffee, weld steel sculpture, make guitar effects pedals, and generally tinker around. I am happy.

1982

Katharine Bennis

One of the best parts of my life is having long relationships which started so many years ago at CRMS. In the last month, I have seen Zanna Zuckerman, spoken to her cousin, Kate Hall, and will see Nina McKee. To have these people who know me and knew me is a rare and precious gift. Thank you, CRMS!

1983

David Edwards

Theresa and I moved to Cape Coral FL last year and are loving life on the Gulf Coast. It is so nice to be able to jump in the boat in the backyard and head out to go fishing or to a quiet beach. I started an online business last year SaltedAngler.com which is growing nicely. It has been great to keep in touch with fellow alums on the Facebook Group including Harry Keppert, David Aronoff, Mary Munroe and Bradley Wherry. Brad and I are looking forward to getting some fishing in together soon here in Florida. If anyone is interested in doing a CRMS reunion in Florida let me know.

1986

Ivan DeWolf

Took a week off to ski in La Grave- it was AMAZING.

1992

Cory Hardie Ritchie

Our oldest daughter, Fiona, started

at CRMS this year. It was a strange and wonderful experience to be there as a parent. When I set foot on campus, a wave of nostalgia washed over me and my heart almost burst from the strange mix of love for this place and love for my daughter; a collision of my past and her future; my childhood long gone and hers nearing the end. It is hard to have her leave the nest, but what better place to fly than CRMS.

1996

Kayla Manzanares

We have moved back to Colorado. I would love to connect with any and all of you. Hoping we can get many of us together for our 25th reunion in a few years.

2007

Lily Safford Smith

Is Living in San Francisco. I completed my Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering from UC Berkeley in the summer of 2015. After trying to get a microfluidics-based hardware start-up off the ground, I moved to Tesla Energy and have been there for over a year. I still enjoy backpacking and traveling, a love developed at



Jenn & Andy Reeves '80

CRMS. Many alumni from CRMS have reached out when in SF and enjoyed dinner or coffee. It's always nice to see old friends.

2010

Callie Maron

Since graduating with a degree in Geoscience from Franklin & Marshall College in 2014, I have done work in various fields exploring the relationship between society and nature through science, art, and agriculture. I am currently the programs director and greenhouse ecosystem designer at the Central Rocky Mountain Permaculture Institute on Basalt Mountain!

Linnea Carver

Currently, I am a graduate student at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. I am pursuing a dual master's degree at the School for Environment

and Sustainability and at the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy. This summer I will be working on a project with the Detroit Black Community Food Security Network in addition to a 12-week internship at with the Millenium Challenge Corporation in Washington, DC.

2012

Raleigh Gambino

I graduated from UC Denver last May with a BFA in TV and Film Production. I traveled Europe with a backpack last Summer, hiking in Ireland, Norway, Austria, Italy, and sailed in Croatia and did a 230-mile solo kayak along Sardinia's coast.

I worked during the winter doing freelance cinematography for a music video, mostly, in Denver area. Now I am moving towards a big sailing adventure. A German friend of mine and myself will sail from

Amsterdam to the Faroe Islands and back on a 37ft sailboat while making a documentary.

Website: intotheatlantic.com

Instagram: into the Atlantic

2015

Waylon Jepsen

I am finishing up my Mathematics degree at CSU. I love playing the piano, and painting.

2016

Angus Harley

CRMS has shaped the person I am today and the path I am on through education.

IN MEMORIAM

The following list represents members of our community who have passed away since January 2017. In order to celebrate everyone's life to the fullest, a complete listing of available biographies can be found at www.crms.org/alumni/memorial

Michael Colangelo '04

George Stricker, Former Faculty & Staff

Mary Gerdeman '54

Christopher Link '74

Ed Rubovitz, Former Head of School & Faculty

Maureen Nuckols, Former Faculty

Hayden M. Kennedy '09

Mary Grant '58

Jeffrey D. Tuerk '90

Donald Harvey '74

Anthony Perry '55



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