



Colorado Rocky Mountain School

IMPACT REPORT

FISCAL YEAR
2016-2017

Letter from the

BOARD OF TRUSTEE PRESIDENT



by Chelsea Congdon Brundige

With a slow start to winter, the hayfields are dormant, brown and light on snow. Mount Sopris is wearing the beginning of many coats of snow to come. The students are back on campus after their return home for a welcome holiday break. So it is a good time to paint this picture of the overall health of our school for our new CRMS Impact Report.

Today, CMRS is enjoying excellent financial health, thanks to the talents and dedication of our Finance team and Advancement team. The annual operating budget for the last fiscal year (2016-2017) was a robust \$7.5 million, compared to a budget of \$5.3 million ten years ago. Of course, tuition accounts for the majority of our revenue (about 70%), while the Annual Fund is essential for closing the gap between this revenue received and the full costs of running our program. In 2016-2017, the advancement team reached a new Annual Fund goal, raising \$736,890 from the friends and family of CRMS.

Philanthropy is the most crucial aspect of the financial success of CRMS. Just as our school experience impacts the lives of so many — from students to faculty, administrators, and even the greater Crystal River valley community — the 706 donors to the CRMS Annual Fund create the potential for our rich academic, wilderness, and residential programs. We are grateful for every gift.

The school’s Endowment and the Building and Grounds fund together total \$23 million, up from \$15 million a decade ago. The very generous gift to the endowment from the estate of alumnus and board member Ted Hepp ’61 and the enthusiastic embrace of our Planned Giving program are just two more examples of the generosity that abounds at CRMS that we so depend on.

Contributions to our capital campaign over the past ten years have totaled a whopping \$12 million and have allowed us to thoroughly improve and transform the learning and living experiences on our campus. Today we are bringing visionary donors together to complete a new Strength and Conditioning Center at the Bar Fork and the renovation of the historic Holden House to hold our Health and Wellness Center and new faculty residences.

Philanthropy and sound financial management are also behind our success in running the High School High Scholar program (HS)² for five weeks every summer. (HS)² is a rigorous STEM-based summer enrichment program on our campus that transforms the lives of promising high school students from under-served communities by inspiring them to reach their full potential, preparing them for college, and empowering them for success in the world.

The pages that follow showcase the power of giving at CRMS with an overview of the Annual Fund and all it supports, our capital projects, planned giving, endowments, special events, and (HS)².

It is exciting and rewarding to share with you in the ongoing success of Colorado Rocky Mountain School. Thank you for your enduring support.

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Recognizing Lifetime Contributions as of June 30, 2017

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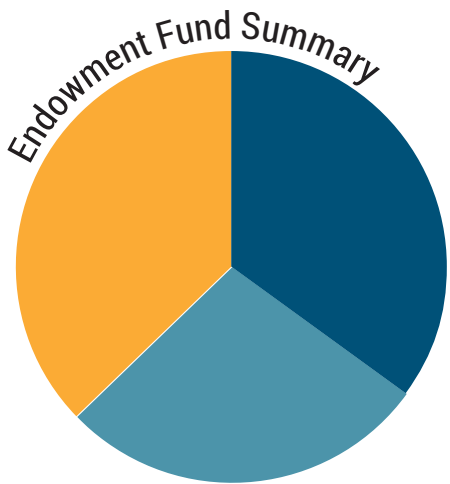
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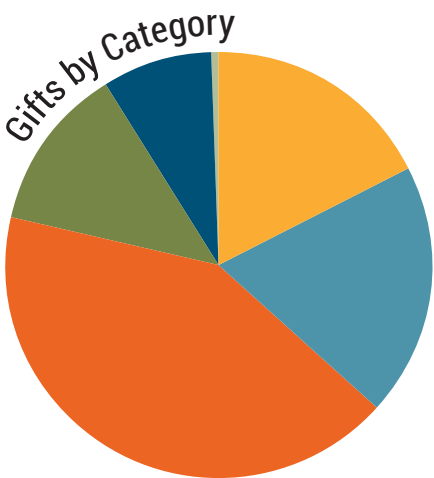
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Kay Brunnier, Pascal Shirley ’99, BKS Family Charitable Foundation
Boettcher Foundation
James & Chelsea Brundige, Denver Foundation
George & Anne Bunting
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John ’75 & Virginia Collett
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Maury & Elaine Radin Philanthropic Fund at
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Dorothy Reed ’68, Thendara Foundation
Muffy Ritz ’75, Ritz Family Foundation, Larsen Fund
John* & Lydia Schweppe
George & Patti Stranahan, The Needmor Fund
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John T. Watson*, John T. Watson Trust,
University of Colorado Foundation
Francis Whitaker*
Woodruff Foundation
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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS OF 2016-2017

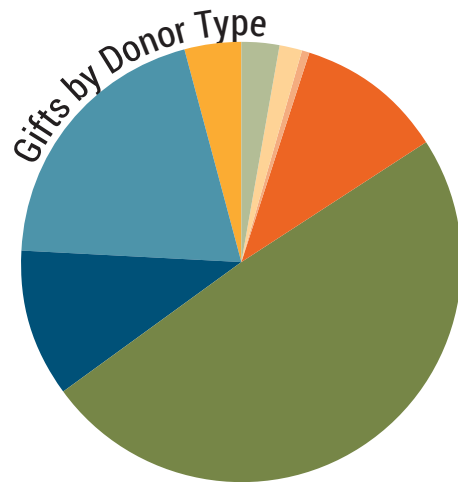
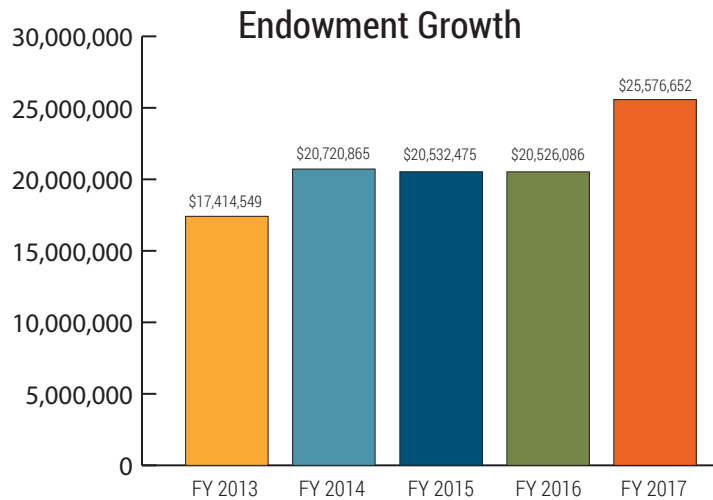


- Restricted \$8,993,918
- Unrestricted \$7,132,314
- Board Designation \$9,450,420



- Annual Fund/Special Events - \$736,890
- Capital Projects - \$810,087
- Endowment - \$1,756,506
- Summer Programs - \$529,227
- Forging the Future Pledge Contributions - \$355,207
- Special Projects - \$13,200

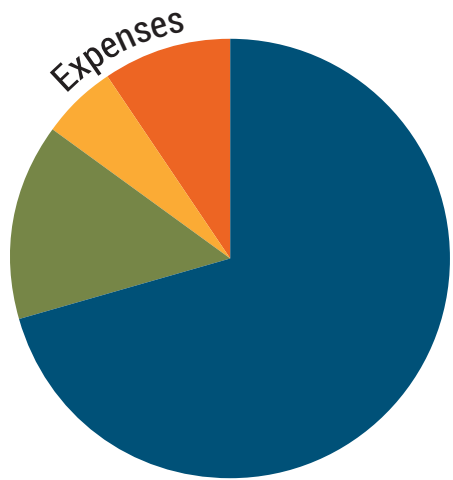
2016-2017 GIVING
CRMS Donors remain an essential part of the financial position at CRMS. Gifts to CRMS totaled **\$ 4,159,895.85** this year.



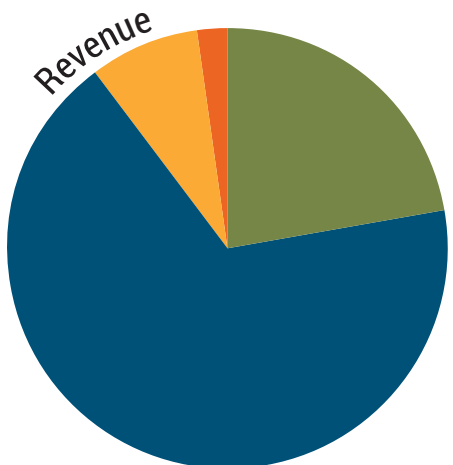
- Alumni Families - 3%
- Businesses - 1.5%
- Faculty - .5%
- Trustees - 11%
- Alumni - 49%
- Foundations - 11%
- Current Families - 20%
- Other Individuals - 4%

BUDGET

This page includes key elements from CRMS's audited financial statements, for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

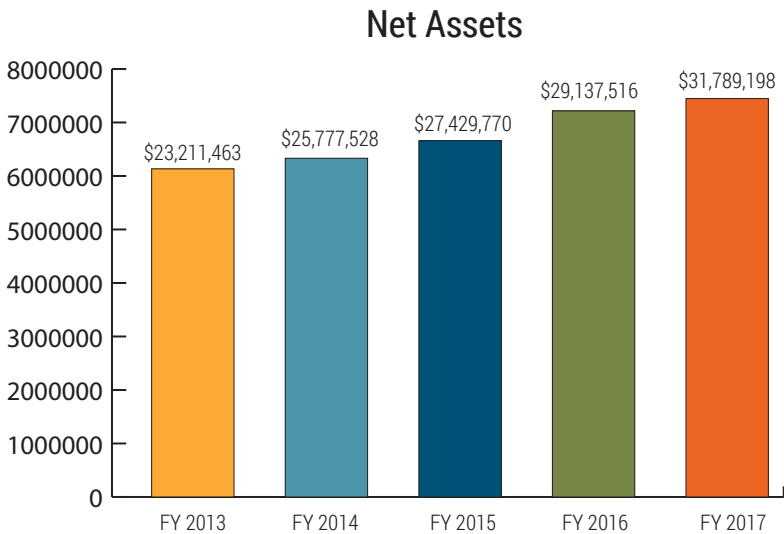
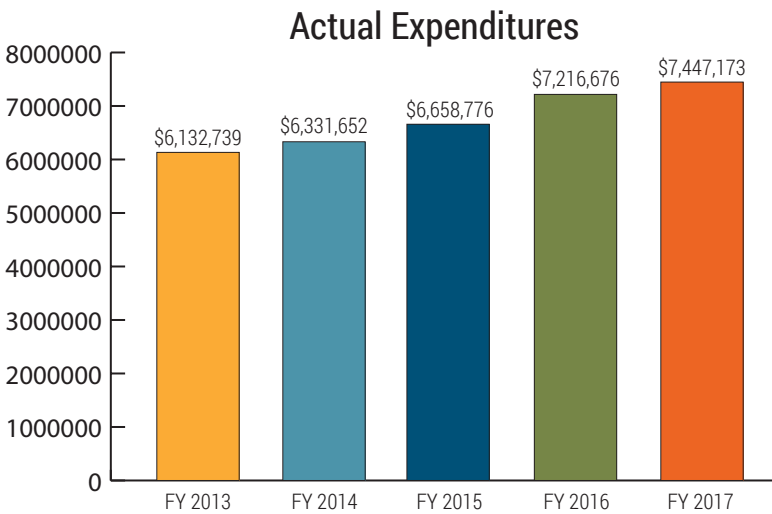


- Academic Instruction - \$5,257,174
- Auxiliary - \$1,075,832
- Fundraising - \$425,201
- Administration - \$688,966

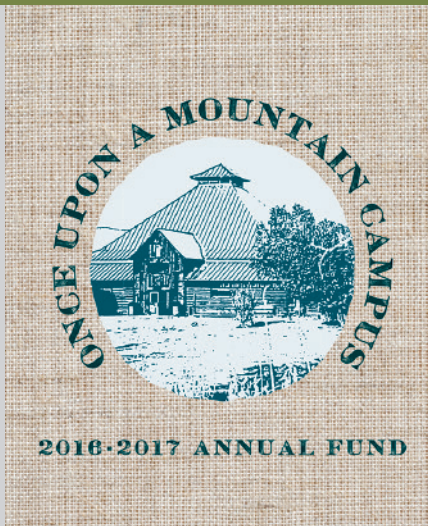


- Contributions - \$2,183,282
- Net Tuition & Fees - \$6,590,851
- Investment Income - \$786,273
- Other - \$214,337

2016-2017 BY THE NUMBERS:
ANNUAL BUDGET



ANNUAL FUND



Our entire community contributed \$736,890, the largest amount in the school's history. This includes \$653,254 from the "Once Upon a Mountain Campus" Annual Fund, comprised of \$556,525 in unrestricted gifts and \$96,729 in restricted gifts. The Family Weekend OysterBASH fundraiser and the Scholarship Work Day event supported the Arts & Active programs and Scholarships, respectively, by raising \$86,322.

The Annual Fund is a financial backbone of the school. It supports a unique and robust set of programs for students, faculty salaries and professional development, and need-based financial scholarships. In the pages that follow, we have put a spotlight on examples of what your support makes possible. You will also find a complete listing of supporters (all gifts received July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017) that highlights participation from the entire CRMS community. Your participation is key to the school's success and reflects that CRMS is a valued institution, helping to attract gifts from foundations and major donors. Thank you to all our generous supporters.

A VIRTUAL WORLD

by Allison Johnson

One of the best gifts an independent school can provide for students is the ability to fund unique programming opportunities. At CRMS, the Annual Fund recently helped the Technology Department launch an innovative 3D Video Game Design class through a \$4,000 grant from the F. Charles Froelicher Colorado Donor Advised Fund. The result is a popular, creative, and challenging new technology course at CRMS.



"Few high schools in the nation offer this level of game design," shared Roman Miller, who graduated last year. "It's a real opportunity to learn a skill set you could use right out of high school."

According to Technology Department Chair Jeremy Wolf, the magic of the 3D class, like all the tech classes, is in the pairing of creativity with analytical problem-solving in a way that kids aren't used to seeing. The course applies a project-based learning format and sets significant challenges for students to solve in a 3D-immersive environment. 3D equipment isn't cheap, however, and the grant through the Annual Fund helped make the nascent class a reality with the purchase of goggles and software.

"The idea was to give kids a more hands-on and direct way of applying mathematical thinking," says Wolf, who designed the course. "When the kids are excited about something, sitting down with a tough problem and figuring out how to get it done is a lot more palatable." The class also helps students develop the persevering mindset needed to work through the inevitable design

and prototype frustrations that they may face in a real-world tech career. Students quickly learn to appreciate what it takes to produce a polished video game and gain an appreciation for the creative process. Motivation is not an issue.

"This is a class where I have to tell kids to stop so that I can explain what's going on," says Wolf. "They show up early, and it's screens up, and they're working. They don't do that in my Physics class."

The class wouldn't have been possible without Annual Fund grant assistance, and Wolf hopes to be able to expand the Technology Department's offerings further in the future. As real-world demand for technology and computer science skills continue to increase, Wolf sees the need for both a more basic introductory computer class and a second year of game design.

"Continuing to develop these kinds of classes that are engaging and get kids interested is the key piece," he says. "All three of the classes in our technology department do a good job of offering interesting projects and problems that students want to solve."

TEACHING WITH A PURPOSE: ROBIN COLT

by Allison Johnson

A school is measured to a significant degree by the quality of its teachers. At CRMS, Annual Fund dollars are earmarked to ensure that the school can recruit and retain passionate and high-quality staff.

"My co-workers are the most dedicated people I've ever met," says Environmental Science teacher Robin Colt. "They support their students and treat them as equals who can make a difference."

There's no better place to witness this philosophy in action than in Colt's Environmental Science classes, where students are exposed to real-world environmental issues, current events, potential career options, and hands-on science in the form of field work and labs.

Classes begin in the fall with a discussion of student connection to place, then move into units exploring topics that range from ecological interdependence to geological processes. Using tie-ins to local issues is a common occurrence. In the fall, students helped problem-solve an environmental dilemma in CRMS's backyard. Cattle grazing on CRMS property were getting through a broken fence and degrading the riparian corridor along the river. Working with the rancher, CRMS, and local nonprofit entity Aspen Valley Land Trust, the students researched the issue and proposed three possible solutions. At other times, they've analyzed soil in the CRMS gardens to offer amendments and tackled issues like climate change and global warming by meeting with local ski industry officials and writing letters to politicians regarding the declining



Robin with Marcos '18 during the Island Ecology Interim.

snowpack. Discussions analyzing current events like the Paris Accord are common, as are creative small-group projects. Students participate in at least eight labs per year.

Time in Colt's class is not just about an understanding of environmental issues. "I want students to walk away with time-management skills, executive-function skills, how to read and notate a text, how to write a scientific abstract. They'll need these skills for college."

This is especially true for the AP Environmental Science class, where the breadth of material covered is ratcheted up substantially. Colt's passion, teaching style, and efforts have paid off, however. Nearly every AP Environmental Science student scored a 4 or 5 on the AP exam last year. Colt modestly attributes the success of her students to the small class size, and the passion students themselves bring to the class.

"Kids are so motivated," she said. "My philosophy is to direct that motivation. It's not about teaching to a test. It's about dialogue, problem-solving, hands-on learning, and the American landscape around us that we can use as a classroom."

And although Colt sets the curriculum for her students, she's willing to learn alongside them. In June 2017, Colt volunteered to be a reader for the AP Environmental Sciences exam, where she read thousands of essays that gave her a better idea of how to refine her teaching. This level of dedication is not unusual for CRMS staff, who can tap into Annual Fund and endowed gift dollars to further their professional goals.

"The faculty constantly wants to improve, and that sets them apart," Colt said. "The fact that there's funding available for teachers to do professional development work here is special and unique."

INVESTING IN ECONOMIC DIVERSITY

by Allison Johnson

Walk into any classroom at CRMS, and you’re likely to stumble upon in-depth classroom discussions. Students bring a broad range of economic, racial, cultural, and socio-economic backgrounds to the table, and that diversity is not by accident. Thanks to its Endowment and Annual Fund resources, CRMS gives out \$2 million in financial aid annually, and 41% of students benefit from some form of financial assistance.

“As a small school that values community, financial aid allows us to provide an environment where diversity is valued,” says Director of Admissions and Financial Aid Molly Dorais. “These dollars allow us to make CRMS accessible to great students.”

One such student is sophomore Mayan Davis. From San Antonio, Texas, Mayan was looking for a music program, the chance to try new activities like snowboarding, and an alternative to the large public high school where she would have gone otherwise.

“There’s so much here that you don’t get to experience in a public high school,” she said. “CRMS has opened up opportunities of what I can do in the future.”

Particularly important to Mayan are the small classes, teacher and community support, activities like Interim, where she’ll be riding a horse into the Grand Canyon this year, and the music program. She feels like a part of the school community in a way she would never have experienced at home.

Another student looking for an alternative to a public high school was senior LJ Robertson, who hails from Ojai, California. Initially drawn to CRMS through family, LJ, who has been working with horses since age 7, was especially interested in the horse program.

“I never thought I’d get to work with horses and help train a mustang,” they said.

The sense of community was a draw for LJ, as was the way teachers help students both in class and out. “Teachers really care, and I hadn’t experienced that before.”

LJ was recently accepted to Columbia University, where they hope to pursue astrophysics. LJ will leave behind a lasting mark on the school as well. After re-starting the Gay-Straight Alliance diversity club sophomore year, LJ was able to help usher in changes ranging from more support and resources for new students to the new gender-neutral bathrooms. Were it not for the opportunities provided by financial aid, CRMS would not have benefited from their passion.

“Diversity prepares our students to be global citizens and have a better sense of our world,” says Dorais. “Being able to have financial aid funds allows us to make the school accessible, which ultimately enriches the whole school. Our philosophy is to support as many families as we can. I can’t overstate the importance of that. We wouldn’t be able to support so many students without it. The need is growing every year.”



one word | one gift | one CRMS

2017-2018 ANNUAL FUND UPDATE

We are delighted by the overwhelming response and participation in this year’s “one word” campaign and the hundreds of words you have shared already. We have raised over \$542,000 and are well on our way to our combined Annual Fund and Special Events goal of \$700,000. To share your one word and make one gift, please contact the CRMS Development Office by June 30, 2018. Thank you in advance for your ongoing support and consideration!

LEADING THE WAY

The following donors made an Annual Fund gift of \$1,000 and above during the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Oyster - (\$50,000.00 +)
Tim & Jane Sullivan

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Beck Foundation
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Hamilton Family Foundation
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Mingwen Jiang & Fang Liu
Peter & Sam Louras
Ann McAlpin & Timothy Sampsel,
Wild Waters Foundation
Lynde B. Uihlein ’63
Shiping Yuan & Yuehua Xu

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Eric & Deborah Alden
Emily T. Allen, Linda P. Allen &
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James & Chelsea Brundige,
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The Schroeder Foundation
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Larry & Caroline Huntington
Louis Jaffe ’64
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The Grace Jones Richardson Trust
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Anonymous (3)

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Tong Zhao & Minghua Gao

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Charitable Foundation
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Minjie Tan & Jia Ni
Virginia Touhey ’74
Ted Williams ’68
Richard Yates ’66

Hogan - (\$1,000.00 +)
Alpine Bank
Shelley Babicka ’90,
The Prentice Foundation, Inc.
Tommy Bernard (Summer ’66),
The Bernard Family Foundation
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Mark & Jeanie Clark
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John Czechowicz ’97
Art & Anna Davidson
David Douglas ’67
Bert G. Drake

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Susan McKinley ’96
Christi Mueller McRoy ’62
Laura Friedberg Miller ’71
Sandra Mowry
Scott Munro & Jane Rich
Jeff Myers & Patricia Farren
Dutton & Caroline Foster
Steven & Susan Naum
Steven & Lisa Novick
Gary Palmer
Bill Parzybok ’61
Jintao Qiu & Hongyi Zhou
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Jim & Lisanne Rogers
Jason & Peta Rubenstein
Drs. Robert ’60 & Marilyn Rymer
Robert Sayre ’58
Rob Stein & Mariah Dickson
Robin Sutherland (Honorary Alumnus ’69)
Ravi Venkateswaran ’69
L.J. Verplank
Nick Walker ’74
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ALUMNI GIVING BY CLASS

1954

Ford Sayre

1955

Michael Mechau

1956

Nick Arndt

1957

William Dumont
Ben Holden
Tim Moore
John Stickney

1958

Bonnie Holden Carter
Tony Cherin
Brad Havice
Kit Havice
Robert Sayre
Rick Shapiro
Alan Watson

1959

Alison McKelvey Clayson
Susan Jay Dean
Jackie Eschenmoser-Willimann
Edward Maynard
Carolyn Hager Rollins

1960

John Chase
Dick Durrance
Andy Gould
Mary Whitford Graves
Lynn Bradley Leopold
Michelle Rosenbaum Lesser
Bill Moore
Dan Roberts
Drs. Robin Rymer
Pat Stein Spitzmiller

1961

Mickey Blake
Bill Parzybok
Lansing Palmer

1962

Dr. Charlie Babbs (Summer ’62)
Madge Gordon Gleeson
Ingrid Blaufarb Hughes
Christi Mueller McRoy
Helen Muller
Katie Fanshawe Rosenberg
Abby Sher

1963

Martha Whitford Barss
Han-Hua Chang (Summer ’63)
Bonnie Baldridge Coryell
Peter Emerson
Dr. Michael Flax
Cresson Kearny
Lynn Boyer Kearny
Frank Seiberling
Lynde B. Uihlein

1964

Ellen Clark Anderson
Suzanne Ringer DeLesseps
Jim Gaw
Louis Jaffe
Jane Wright Pasipoularides
Deborah Winslow

1965

Barbara Buchanan
Addison Chase
Terry Frost Graedon
Christopher Harkness
David Harper
Peggy Hoburg (Summer ’65)
Ivar Sandvik
Tim Shelton
David Strouse

1966

Jane LeCompte Anderson
Tommy Bernard (Summer ’66)
Bart Chapin
Stephen Fitzpatrick
Mary Janss
Wick Moses
Ilsa Perse
Wendy Pieh
Wendy Blake Staggs
Priscilla Wearin Wagener
Richard Yates
Anonymous

1967

Brad Ansley
Katharine Bradley Bennett
Daniel Dole
David Douglas
Tracy Fitz
Stan Gibbs
Joan Ham
Celia Metcalf McVicker
Kathy Lovett Moritz
David Nutt
Warren Perkins
Bretta Rambo
Emily Rosenberg-Pollock

Patricia Kern Shelton
Harry Van Camp
Brian Watwood
Anonymous

1968

Lesley Andrews
Geary Atherton
Sam Chapin
Kin DuBois
Lee Ann Eustis (Honorary Alumna)
Nick Kukulan
Kit Muller
Evelyn Petschek
Ramelles Cochran Pulitzer
Dorothy Reed
Toni Rupchok
David Steven
Ted Williams
Anonymous

1969

F. Towne Allen
Warren Anderson
Carol Bailly
Leighton Davenport
A.O. Forbes
Alice Woolsey Godfrey
Doug Lewis
Marian “Lolly” Lewis
Ann Macy Shelley
Jeff Smith
Robin Sutherland
Ravi Venkateswaran
Wade Wykert

1970

Gina Berko
Carol Fisher
Jock Mackinlay
Ed Merritt
Frances Soverel
Sarah Swinerton
John Woodin

1971

Charles Carrington
Kris Harding Dubick
Catherine Wyler Hayden
Monica Houghton
Risto Lappala
Laura Friedberg Miller
Jim Ostrem
Marjorie Perry
Bill Savage
Jonathan Siegel
Kim Stacey
David Thomson
David Wyler

1972

Franz Froelicher
James B. Koons
Brian LaHaye
Toby Levitt
Mary Wilmer Mills
Ben Niles
David Powers
Cynthia Yates Price
Lynn Stephens

1973

Ralph Beck
Scott Blau
Frederic C. Hamilton, Jr.
Rebecca Furr Ivester
Lisa Martin
James Nagel
Ron Powell
Sally Childs Richendrfer
Richard Stibolt
Ely White

1974

Kim Anker-Paddon
William Anschuetz
David Harvey
Hannah Laufe
Jeff Platt
Susan Maffei Plowden
Ellen Boswell Schiefer
David Tanner
Virginia Touhey
Nick Walker
Jeanine Geier Wolf

1975

Mila Brooks Brenner
John Collett
Gail Dearden
Sigrid Bredenberg Flor
Harry Heafer
Muffy Larsen Ritz
Mark Stranahan

1976

Amy Blackstone
Nellie Bracker
Kent Bullard
Douglas Carman
Kelley Cooper
Stephanie Donovan
Sarah Schaab Luse
Jeffrey Parker
Gregory Stewart
Brian Stricker
Tim Whitley

1977

Susan Alexander
Heather Hause Froelicher
Stephen Kern
Tim Kinzler
Daniel Martinez
Josh Sage
Erin Larsen Von Der Ahe

1978

Nicholas Lenssen
Peter McWhinney
Julie Deutsch van Overbeek

1979

Brett Hall Jones
Linda Livingston Kegel
Adam Liff

1980

Sarah Dennison-Leonard
Anne Eldridge
Sam Folsom
Rob Mackinlay
Preston Root
Lynda Walters
Stan Wattles
Ted Williams

1981

Conrad Anker
Courtenay Murphy
Terry Makris Staskal

1982

Elizabeth Ellerbe Agar
Kate Bennis
Leila Gass
Lisa Clearlite Giacalone
Thomas Newhard
Joel Richnak
Craig Shoemaker
Kate Eldridge Weaver

1983

David Edwards
Lee Hall
Sean McEvoy
Michelle Peterson
Julie Urvater

1984

Charlotte Quack Kroher
Dawn Fuller Lutz
Lesley Meyer
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1985

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1989

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1990

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Mags Miller
Chris Pacini
Micah Springer
Robert Young

1991

Seth Brown
Tyler Daenzer
Scott Leonard
Jay Marling

1992

Tara Holden
Adriana Pevec-Brown
Cory Hardie Ritchie
Elizabeth Withers

1993

Chris Bromley
Justin Dragonas
Josh Lange
Laura McCormick

1994

Molly Ogilby Jacober
SaSaDi Boothe Odunsi
Lorenzo Worster

1995

David Gensch
Tai Jacober
Hanni Keyser
Elisabeth Deschner Montoya
Rachael Hilberman Mueller
Erin McClain Ray
Will Ross

1996

Kayla Shelton Manzanares
Susan McKinley
Olivia Miles Payne
Joseph Robinson

1997

Sierra Jacober Aldrich
John Czechowicz
Erik Jeffries
Stephanie Goehrig Kassels
Angela Thibaut Terry
Sam Tripp

1998

Nuria Moya Lang
John Vaughan

1999

Burch Fisher
Mandy Lane Irwin
Jon Muir
Hayes Parzybok
Samuel Perry
Mari Rosen
Melody Scheefer

2000

Soren Bowie
Olivia Emery
Caleb Gaw
Peter Johnson
Avi Scheinbaum
Elizabeth Smith

2001

Margaretta Bruegger
Johanna M. Krueger-Borchard

2002

Moorea Morehart
Rhett Tatum

2003

Moore Huffman
Anonymous

2004

Ross Dillon
Dylan Ferry
Rachel Sibley

2005

Matthew Cahn
Christopher Hassig
Jenae McCarroll

2006

Eden Ferry
Nick Harris
Reid Johns
Joshua Pecjak

2007

Robert Bosworth
Katie Fales
Lily Jeong
Eunsong Kong
Chris Sibley

2008

Iris Rankin

2009

Caitlin Duncan
Noah Johns
Elliot Kaufman
Lukas Lubchenco

2010

Linnea Carver
Ethan Cranmer
Thomas O'Shea
Emily Schwaller
Aisha Weinhold

2011

Peter Madigan
Max Ramge
Jessica Worley
Anonymous (2)

2012

Jacqueline Larouche
Thorne Warner

2013

Jamie Ramge
Torrey Sanson
Justine Timms
Cleo Ulatowski

2014

Alexis Jones

2015

Congratulations to the Class of 2015, who achieved 100% participation!

Zachary Baker
Byron Beard
Mahryan Beelendorf-Vaux
Johier Begay
Jonathan Birzon
Christine Carraro
Grace Carstens
Iain Cooley
Emma Crane
Nikken Daniels
Victor DiVenere
Eric Froelicher
Jonas Geier
Jose Godoy
Ella Hartshorn
Anne Hinkens
Ben Holland
Holton Huntington
Jack Huntington-Rainey
Waylon Jepsen
Claire Johnson
Avery Kane
Shoshone Kendall
Sophie Kornick
Kimbrell Larouche
Lorraine Lu
Madalyn McClure
Khanh Pham
Jacob Radin
Ruby Rappaport
Parker Riddle
Anisa Rink
Chamberlin Rohrstaff
Heidi Small
Tommy Tang
Justin Thyer Aspiri
Jake Todoroki
Rotceh Vazquez
Isabel Weber

2016

Shiva Carter
Forrest Doherty
Scout Engbring
Angus Harley
Hannah Weinstein

CURRENT STUDENTS

Leigh Cabaniss '17
Megan Leahy '18
Belle Raleigh '19
Sunni Raleigh '18
Miller Roman '17

CURRENT PARENTS BY GRADE

9TH GRADE

78% PARTICIPATION

Ann McAlpin & Timothy Sampsel
Gustavo Backhoff & Maria De La Garza Evia
Cindy & Chris Blachly
Peiguo Cai & Dong Shudi
Tom & Amy Castillo
Doug Crawford & Allison Johnson
Kerry & Catherine Curtis
Tim & Gigi Durand
Peter Feer
Lisa Horowitz & Dave Bingham
Stephen & Betsy Hough
Mingwen Jiang & Fang Liu
Stephen '77 & Sally Kern
Oswaldo & Alcibel Lairet
Don & Daphne Lareau
Robyn Lawry & Warwick Mowbray
Kecheng Liu & Xuerao Li
Rong Lu
Scott Munro & Jane Rich
Geoff & Elizabeth Ochsner
Julie Oldham
Mark & Laura Patterson
Jess & Nina Pedersen
Eric & Karen Peirson
Renee Sherman
Michael Shook
Sarah Shook
Daniel & Elizabeth Smetzer
Karin Teague
Damien Webster & Desiree Rothschild
Peter & Julie Wiley
Mary Winter
Catherine Young
Anonymous

10TH GRADE

80% PARTICIPATION

Laura Bartels & John Bruna
Christopher & Rachel Beck
Jose Ignacio Borgio & Bibiana Alcocer
Eric & Patty Brendlinger
Mike & Monica Brinson
Mike & Tami Cassetty
Robyn Clark '88

Brian & Andy Davies
Oliver & Amy Dose
David Goin
Daniel Hsu & Sandra Kan
Tai '95 & Molly Ogilby Jacober '94
Tory & Christie Jensen
Thomas & Tamra Kenyon
Heinz & Kerstin Lindenmayer
Robert Martin & Courtney Eaton
Scott & Catherine McComb
David & Shannon Meyer
Steven & Susan Naum
Geoff & Elizabeth Ochsner
Dan Oppenheimer & Sarah Tunik
Devin & Nicole Padgett
Jess & Nina Pedersen
Sally Peterson
David Pietsch & Margaret Corcillo
Barton & Christina Putney
Duane & Lisa Raleigh
Jason & Peta Rubenstein
John & Anne Rusnak
Michael & Carolee Salat
Adelbert & Margaret Spaan
David Struempler
Brian Vaughan & Jane Mason
Mark Waltermire & Katie Dean
Yidong Wang & Xin Rong
Douglas & Margaret Winship
Luis & Aimee Yllanes

11TH GRADE

72% PARTICIPATION

Patti Bartelstein
Cindy & Chris Blachly
Keith & Carrie Brand
Greg & Mary Bright
Robyn Clark '88
Art & Anna Davidson
Peter Feer
William & Lori Gavette
Tiziano & Enrica Gortan
Rich & Karlene Grange
Kent & Jenna Haugaard
Stewart & Anna Huntington
Hong Ji & Zhijie Zhang

The Kahn Marker Family
Peter & Constanza Koss
Jeff & Amanda Leahy
Tim & Kathy Lindholm
Tim Morgan & Beth Rutledge
Dr. Brian Murphy
Steven & Lisa Novick
Denis & Kelly O'Donovan
Gary Palmer
Son Pham & Loan Tran
Jintao Qiu & Hongyi Zhou
Duane & Lisa Raleigh
Elizabeth Reynolds
Bill & Kelly Roberts
Karen Schmidt & Cullen Robertson
Harriet Swenson
Doug & Lynda Weiser
Peter & Julie Wiley
Mary Winter
Shiping Yuan
Tong Zhao & Minghua Gao
Anonymous

12TH GRADE

56% PARTICIPATION

Shannon Birzon
Berit Bjerke-Daniels
Robert & Dawn Collett
David & Kelly Fiore
Michelle Friedrich
Geoff & Michelle Greenfield
Andrew & Susan Harley
Duane & Julie Hartshorn
Annabel Hatcher
William Infante & Betina Moreira Infante
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Alleghany & Jill Meadows
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Minjie Tan & Jia Ni
Robert Young '90 & Rhae Reiker

Sherri Draper
Jamie Emmer
Grace duPont Engbring
Lee Ann Eustis
Dr. Michael Flax
Margot Greig
Steve Kaufman
Michael McCoy

Susan McKinley '96
Margaret (Mags) Miller
Virginia Newton
Lisanne Rogers
Dr. Robin Rymer '60
Virginia Touhey '74
Ravi Venkateswaran '69

FACULTY & STAFF - 80% PARTICIPATION

Berit Bjerke-Daniels	Billy Gavette	Matt Norrdin	Monica Rhodes
Betsy Bingham-Johns	Lori Gavette	Fiona O'Donnell Pax	Bobby Rosati
Cindy Blachly	Jim Gaw '64	Jennifer Ogilby	B.J. Sbarra
William Brown	D.D. Gerdin	Kayo Ogilby	Beth Smith
Mark Clark	Diane Hackl	Alex Perkins	Wendy Wampler
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A.O. Forbes '69	Jeff Leahy	Lisa Raleigh	Bo Winslow
Heather Hause Froelicher '77	David Meyer	Elizabeth Reynolds	Jeremy Wolf
Darryl Fuller	Ana Maria Mineo	Marlin Rhodes	Aimee Yllanes

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Jeanette Anderson	Shannon Chaney	Victor & Diane Gerdin	Steve Kaufman
Todger & Shannon Anderson	Peter K.L. Chu, Maria Chu	Donald & Carol Gill	Steve & Karen Lynn Keith
Caleb & Claudia Bach	John & Susanne Clark	Jose & Carolina Godoy	Heather Kendall-Miller
Laura Bartels & John Bruna	Mark & Jeanie Clark	John & Keven Goodwin	Deryl & Betsey Kipp
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Shannon Birzon	Jeff Crane & Diane Hackl	George & Ann Hackl	Helen Leahy
Berit Bjerke-Daniels	Timothy Cunningham	David & Janice Hardie	Terry Lee & William Perich
Alan & Sally Black	Dick & Robin Danell	Andrew & Susan Harley	Edward J. Lenkin
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Jim & Louise Peterson	Colleen Rominger	David Struempler	Anonymous (4)
Rosemary Peterson	Ed & Nancy Rubovits	Harold & Dee Struempler	
Hung Cuong Pham &	Mark & Shelly Saltzman, Jewish Federation of	James Surls & Charmaine Locke	
		Larry & Rita Susnow	
		Daniel & Janis Tuerk	

GIFTS IN HONOR

In Honor of John P. Adams '10
William & Joanne Lozier

In Honor of Dr. Jim Gaw, in Celebration of his 70th Birthday
Mark Hilberman
Ingrid Blaufarb Hughes '62
Lily Jeong '07
Lesley Meyer '84
Courtenay Murphy '81
Elisabeth Montoya '95
Cory Hardie Ritchie '92, the Foresight Fund held at the Parasol Tahoe Community Foundation
Michelle Peterson '83
Deborah Winslow '64

In Honor of Lola Forbes Louras and her parents, Kate Forbes '00 & Peter N. Louras, III '00
Peter & Sam Louras

In Honor of David Powers '72
Shannon Chaney

In Honor of the Marriage of Brian Stricker '76 & Julia Kintzi
Mary '72 & Peter Mills

GIFTS IN MEMORY

In Memory of Pat Fender
Adele Hause

In Memory of Greg Friedler '89
David & Gerald Friedler

In Memory of Ted Hepp '61
Sherri Draper
Ruth Carver
Jeff & Amanda Leahy
Lisa & Duane Raleigh

In Memory of Peter Reed '73
Polly Whittaker

In Memory of Tim Wormser (1989-2016)
Denver Mattress
Michael & Lauri Friedland
Knight & Jennifer Landesman
John Karrel & Susan Lloyd
Ellen Lautenberg
Billy Nistico
John Repko
Leslie Wolf
Lucinda Ziesing



SPECIAL EVENTS

Two important events that support the school’s fundraising each year include the Family Weekend *OysterBASH* and Scholarship Work Day.

The 2016 Family Weekend event contributed \$65,759 to our annual goal. We would like to thank our business sponsors, underwriters and all the parents, alumni and friends who purchased raffle tickets and bid on auction items. In addition, a tremendous amount of gratitude to the volunteers who help make this special evening possible.

Scholarship Work Day (SWD) was initiated in 1965 to help make a CRMS education available to others, regardless of their economic status. Today this legacy continues. Crews of students and faculty spend the day doing various household jobs to help raise money for the Scholarship Fund. This year we raised \$20,563.



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Renee Ramge
Bobby Rosati
Tracy Sgroi
Kathleen Strang
Luis & Aimee Yllanes

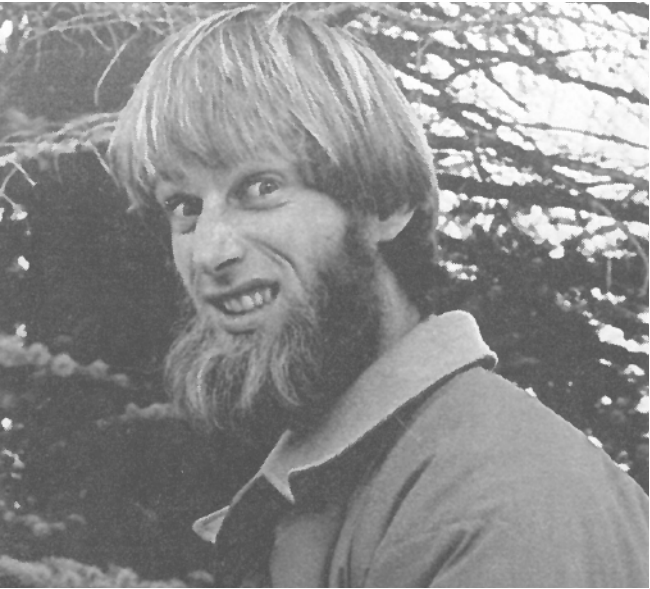


ALUMNI - STAYING CONNECTED

At the core of the CRMS experience are the 3,200-plus students who have attended this special and unique school. Throughout the decades, many of our alumni remain dedicated and loyal to CRMS and support it in many different ways from interacting with us on social media to attending events on campus to making annual gifts. This year we wanted to spotlight the Class of 2015 for their multi-year commitment to the CRMS Annual Fund upon their graduation.

ENGAGE

The most popular CRMS Alumni Facebook post in 2016-2017 was celebrating Jim Gaw’s 70th Birthday, with 3,700 likes, comments, and views.



CONNECT WITH US ON



EXPERIENCE

Spotlight on Emily Rosenberg-Pollock ’67



This year’s award for most stellar class representative goes to Emily Rosenberg-Pollock ’67, for rallying the Class of 1967 for their 50th Reunion, as well as other late-1960’s era alumni for the school’s largest Alumni Weekend yet. As Randall Lavelle, Alumni & Parent Relations Manager shared “If every class rep were as involved and enthusiastic in championing their class reunion as Emily, we would have countless CRMS alumni returning every year!” Thank you to Emily for all of her work that brought so many alumni home for this special weekend. We hope to see more of you soon at upcoming 2018 alumni events.



PARTICIPATE IN GIVING

As a senior at CRMS, while planning her class’s graduation party, Sophie Kornick ’15 had a brilliant idea. Why not ask her classmates to include an extra five dollars along with the cost of the party that they could give back to the school as an Annual Fund donation — one dollar from each member of the class for the next five years? Three years later, the Class of 2015 is leading CRMS in Alumni Participation with 100%. Thank you to Sophie and the Class of 2015 for making this simple gesture, showing just how easy it is to participate and make a huge impact!

Thanks to the generosity, belief, and investment of so many, the school has successfully received \$12 million in capital gifts over the past eight years. As a result, we have been able to bring our academic, residential, and community facilities in line with the teaching excellence that takes place here daily. Following please find an overview of the school’s ongoing commitment to health, wellness, and sustainability; a highlight of current capital improvements; and a list of the generous donors who supported capital projects in 2016-2017.

BUILDING THE FOUNDATION FOR AN ADVENTUROUS LIFE

Allison Johnson

When it comes to capital campaigns, “You get what you plan for,” says Head of School Jeff Leahy. Over the past several years, CRMS has run a strategic, thoughtful, and deliberate capital campaign that has brought exciting and much-needed new facilities to campus. The campaign first targeted improving residences, the arts program, and then learning spaces like the library. It has now turned to an equally important part of the CRMS experience: fitness, health, and wellness. None of these improvements would have been possible without the generosity of donors to the capital campaign, which Leahy says allows CRMS to ensure its spaces are up to date and best able to serve the needs of our community.

The first fitness, health, and wellness project to be completed greatly benefited the Active Program. The Alpenglow Base Camp was completed in 2016 and opened in early 2017, bringing together all Active Program supplies and facilities under one roof. This 4,470-square-foot facility now houses critical components of the Active Program, such as the bike shop, backpacking and river-trip gear, a kitchen facility, a locker room for student winter gear, a classroom, and a covered outdoor workspace for trip organization and de-issue.

“It’s been a game changer for how efficiently trips can come and go from campus now,” says Director of the Active Program Diane Hackl. “We love that it’s called Base Camp because a base camp,

is a jumping-off point at the edge of adventure. That’s what it is for us too. It houses everything that helps us jump out as part of our outdoor educational philosophy here.”

2017 saw the completion of another facility critical to the Active Program. A space between the gym and the student center was gutted and completely renovated into a new Strength and Fitness facility. To capitalize on the space to its fullest potential, CRMS hired fitness professionals to help design the room and choose new foundational equipment. Critical to vision was the idea that the facility could be as useful to an off-season athlete, a sports newcomer, or an injured athlete as it could be to accommodating the various training needs of CRMS’s sports teams.

To that end, CRMS also provided professional development training for staff and coaches to ensure that they could craft the most appropriate fitness programs for teenagers and athletes. The professional development days provided expert guidance in physical training, sports philosophy, and sports technology and has spurred a rise in interest in fitness and strength training throughout the community.

“Overall it brings more professionalism to what we can do with team fitness and development,” says Hackl.

The facility now houses equipment such as hand weights, kettlebells, wall balls, slam balls, jump boxes, pullies and

ropes, agility ladders, and rollers for warming up and cooling down and is open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily to the community.

One exciting and unanticipated consequence to the new space is a surge in student interest in fitness education. Several of the Chris Babbs Prize submissions this year included proposals for more education on fitness. “Anytime people are excited about learning, that’s another classroom opportunity for us,” says Leahy.

Looking ahead, the final capital campaign project in the health and wellness domain is the renovation of the Holden House into a new Health and Wellness facility. The renovated space will include new nurse and counseling offices, infirmary and sick rooms, and counseling and gathering spaces for students.

“We want to make sure we have the facilities to match the care and attention we provide for our students,” says Leahy. “It’s now going to be a beautiful facility for health and wellness that’s in line with all our other goals.”



TICK RIDGE MEADOW

Thanks to generous support from two foundations, CRMS had the unique opportunity to expand the stewardship of our land and water resources by returning eight acres of currently fallow land back into production. This acreage was originally irrigated until the mid-1950s via ditch access, but the construction of a residential road through the CRMS property eliminated this access. By using the school’s current Wilson Ditch water rights to their full potential and by implementing sustainable agricultural techniques (including mulch & drip systems), the school was able to preserve this historic farmland and benefit from the following:

- increasing the CRMS Garden Program’s capacity to engage students in the education of sustainable agricultural techniques;
- developing land for sustaining agricultural production and increasing community food production;
- installing piped delivery of water to the drip irrigation system, increasing efficiency by mitigating evaporation and percolation;
- increasing the Garden Program’s capacity to rotate crops effectively, using cover crops to increase soil health and conservation; and providing the opportunity for greater local community engagement.

The first phase of this project was completed this past summer with a large footprint cover crop in place that protected and enriched the soil in preparation for a planned 2018 planting.

2016-2017 Capital Project Donors

Tommy Bernard (Summer ’66), The Bernard Family Foundation	Mount Sopris Conservation District
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Jim ’64 & Khara Gaw	Tim & Jane Sullivan
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Karen Kiernan	Anonymous
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COMING SOON: Holden House Restoration Health & Wellness Facility and Additional Faculty Housing

The primary goal of the Holden House renovation is to provide high-functioning and thoughtfully designed spaces for our students’ emotional, social, and physical well being. Some important features of this facility include a modern Nurse’s Office with two exam rooms, an infirmary, and a dedicated office. The Counseling Office will also be located there with a private, dedicated office for student meetings and enough space for groups to gather.

In addition, the building’s renovation will include one large and one to two moderately sized new faculty apartments. Increasing the amount of on-campus housing for both faculty and staff is a priority for the school, as it enables us to run an effective residential program that includes weekend experiences. Providing housing also addresses the challenge many employees face when confronted with the high cost of living in the Roaring Fork Valley. The restoration will commence once the school secures the necessary funding for the project. To learn more, or to support either of these important projects, please contact Lisa Raleigh, lraleigh@crms.org or 970-963-2562 x 130.

YESTERDAY, TODAY, FOREVER - PLANNED GIVING

One way donors support future generations of students is by leaving a lasting legacy in the form of a planned gift. Planned gifts can be as simple as naming CRMS in a will, with a designated amount or percentage, to listing CRMS as a partial beneficiary in your retirement or life insurance plan. Understandably, the primary focus of most estate plans is to provide for family, but it is simple and easy to include a non-profit organization in the plan, and there are often tax incentives to do so.

The Holden Circle recognizes and honors all individuals who designate support for CRMS in their wills, trusts, retirement plans, life insurance plans, and other planned gifts. Thank you to all those who have already taken this step, ensuring you are part of an important legacy and supporting future generations of CRMS students. All planned gifts to CRMS are directed to the CRMS Foundation unrestricted endowment unless otherwise discussed and restricted.



LISA RALEIGH

Lisa has worked at CRMS for the past ten years, guiding the development operations. In addition, her daughters, Sunni '18 & Belle '19, are students.

Lisa recently made a provision for CRMS in her IRA by including the school as a partial beneficiary. It was as simple as contacting the IRA administrating firm and requesting a Change in Beneficiaries form. “As a loyal CRMS Annual Fund supporter, both from the perspective of a long-time staff member and as the parent of two incredibly fortunate young women who are receiving a once-in-a-lifetime education, I wanted to leave a gift that ideally will come to fruition long after my direct involvement with the school. By assigning 90% of my IRA to my girls when I pass, I am also able to leave CRMS 10%, which will have no tax implications and will go directly to the school at that time. What a perfect way to provide for my family and make a meaningful charitable contribution all upon my passing,” Lisa shared.



TED HEPP '61 Sept. 24, 1942 - Sept. 2, 2016

Ted was an impassioned CRMS alumnus, world traveler, loving spouse, dedicated Board member, a loyal and generous donor, and an incredible friend to the school during his lifetime. Not only did he give generously to the school's Annual Fund and capital improvements (including his major contribution to the Science Facility), he also made significant provisions for the school in his planned giving.

Ted, a life-long investor, and following a successful tech career, made CRMS a beneficiary in some of his IRA accounts, which resulted in the largest planned gift in the school's history. When asked why he financially supported CRMS over the years, Ted once said: “Education is, I believe, one of the primary needs for our society and I think the kind of program at CRMS is more important now than ever before ... and is worth helping to preserve and strengthen for others.”



BILL '60 & LORNA MOORE

Bill Moore is an alumnus and served three terms as a trustee during the 1990s, was the founding chair of the CRMS Alumni Association, and was a class secretary for over 10 years. Before meeting Bill, Lorna, whose mother had been a CRMS Board Chair in the 1970s, had also developed a deep connection to CRMS, attending a summer session and later teaching in the arts and active programs during the summers of 1968-70. Bill and Lorna have two grown children and one grandchild, and live in Denver.

Earlier this year, Bill and Lorna made provisions in their wills for CRMS. They recently decided they were at a point in their lives “where after working to accumulate wealth for most of our lives, it is now time to begin sharing and we want CRMS to be a significant part of that.” When asked why they support the school, Bill said “CRMS has always been an important part of who I am; the values I learned there have stood me in good stead and it's time to give back.”

HOLDEN CIRCLE MEMBERS



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Ralph Beck '73
Katharine Bradley Bennett '67
Inez Black
Emily Bray '75
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Bonnie Holden Carter '58
Tony '58 & Bernadette* Cherin
Sara Bunn Chesney '77
Beach Clow '77
Sherri Draper
Katherine Dumont*
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Patricia Fender*
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ENDOWMENT IMPACT

When CRMS opened in 1953, the Holdens had no endowments, capital campaigns, or annual funds to rely on. Over sixty years later, CRMS has evolved to include a growing endowment that not only ensures the long-term financial health of the school but also allows for much-needed annual distributions of up to 5% of the principal. Endowment disbursements cover a variety of critical operational expenses ranging from facility upkeep to faculty benefits, and they are a vital part of the school's financial picture.

“Without endowment support, we might be less able to support a student who needs financial aid, and we'd feel additional pressure to support staff salaries, for instance,” says CFO Joe White. “The endowment provides long-term sustainability and support for the school into perpetuity.”

Today, the valuation of the school's entire family of endowed funds is approximately \$24 million. While the school's largest endowment of approximately \$16 million dollars is unrestricted in terms of how the annual dispersal can be used, its next two largest endowments are earmarked for financial aid and faculty salaries. Smaller endowment funds are dedicated to a variety of specific needs ranging from facilities repair to the sciences to professional development.

“Endowed gifts are so important,” emphasizes White. “Ideally, with new gifts and financial planning, our endowment will grow at a rate higher than 5% so that disbursements can increase over time while not tapping into the original donation. That benefits the entire school.”

Whether a donor makes a gift to the unrestricted endowment or prefers to donate toward a particular interest, an endowed gift to the school is an investment that benefits both present and future generations of CRMS students.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGH SCHOLAR (HS)²

CHARTING THEIR COURSE

by Genevieve Villamizar

For ten summers, fifty inner-city kids have filled Colorado Rocky Mountain School classrooms with academic fervor, paddled waterways with new-found friends and climbed to their personal bests through all CRMS has to offer.

“CRMS programming uniquely combines academic, residential, and outdoor experiences to help young people challenge themselves to become the students and citizens they want to be,” says Chelsea Brundige, CRMS board president. “High School High Scholars is a program in the same spirit—supporting the passion and courage of underserved students who want to chart a course for themselves to a 4-year college degree.”

“The education gap,” she continues, “and the income gap in this country are problems that deserve all of our attention. The (HS)² summer program at CRMS is one of the very few pre-collegiate programs in the country that help underserved high school students enhance their academic skills and experiences in pursuit of their dreams for college. The success rate of our (HS)² graduates in securing a spot in a college of their choice and completing a 4-year

college program is outstanding. That should make anyone feel good.”

In her role as CRMS college counselor, Betsy Bingham-Johns is intimately involved with each (HS)² student.

“I help them understand the college-application process and then walk them through the steps necessary to find appropriate schools and ultimately apply to college. I intend to educate and encourage students to thoughtfully consider a range of colleges and then to provide them with the support and resources to help them make their college dreams come true.”

Program Director Cindy Blachly finds the 75 hours of counseling provided to each scholar critical. “One of the most common outcomes of insufficient college counseling is when students undermatch and apply only to schools close to home that they have heard of—rather than to the best schools they are qualified to attend. Students might not fully understand the financial aid process and pass over schools with high tuition costs, even though they would likely be eligible for full-ride scholarships.”

Bingham-Johns’s commitment is inspired in part by the sheer character of her scholars.

“Every year, I am incredibly impressed by our (HS)² students,” Bingham-Johns says. “Although the common thread is their extraordinary academic ability, they stand out because of their ability to embrace every opportunity while being willing to show vulnerability in sharing their personal stories. The students who are admitted to (HS)² are, above all else, brave individuals who are ready to challenge themselves academically, socially, and experientially in a new environment that is essentially foreign to them.”

“It is essential that we find ways to offer this experience to students of all economic and cultural backgrounds and help them reach their dreams,” declares Brundige.

“Many students arrive with little hope of attending college,” says Bingham-Johns, “and [they] end up attending a college beyond their wildest dreams with a generous financial-aid package. This outcome is especially rewarding.”

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