



Colorado Rocky Mountain School **IMPACT REPORT**

2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR

Photo by Wren Kelly '21 taken
during the Fly Fishing Fall Trip

Letter from the BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESIDENT



One of the school traditions at CRMS was the fire drill. Several years ago, a CRMS alumna from the early 70's explained the process one Saturday morning as we walked by the bucket brigade building on campus. She loved the exercise of the filling of buckets, the passing of buckets and a long line of cooperation for a common cause. I couldn't help but think that this history of preparation and teamwork has put CRMS in good stead as we have navigated the COVID-19 pandemic.

Just eight months ago, we were going about our business planning for a regular spring and our 65th graduation. We were looking forward to a summer finalizing enrollment and gearing up for Wilderness and a new academic year. Our summer [HS]² program would have gathered in the Barn and celebrated our 13th graduating class of high achieving high school students of color from underserved communities.

But what a difference a few months can make. Since March, the Board of Trustees have been engaged with Jeff and his leadership team to address perhaps the most challenging moment in our school history. Faculty quickly reworked their academics and students finished April and May on Zoom. Graduation 2020 was a memorable and personal YouTube event.

In July, the [HS]² team regrouped and ran a successful on-line summer program with a virtual graduation. Other team members worked on the question: How do you open up for in-person boarding school in a pandemic? It was more than a pivot. It was a finely tuned series of plans, and back-up plans, to create a COVID-19-free bubble of students, faculty and staff, all without losing the experiences that make CRMS so special.

This accelerated some ideas we had for the future. For example, on short notice, the Bar Fork kitchen, food service, and dining was remodeled. It incorporated dreams we had already envisioned, plus we added COVID-19 smart features. Contractors, working under COVID-19 protocols, made it possible to open the Bar Fork just in time for the out of state boarders, who arrived two weeks early for their on-campus quarantine.

The CRMS board and leadership team are also well aware of the need to make sure CRMS can learn from the Black Lives Matter social movement. We are actively engaged with staff and board to see what opportunities we can take to improve a primarily white, cisgender, and heterosexual community to be more welcoming for all. We are listening and learning, first, and if you have a story to share, we want to hear from you.

Courage, connection, struggle, hard work, compassion, independence and humility are just a few words to describe CRMS. These all work well in a fire brigade. Due to the school's responses, in real time, in this fluid and changing situation, CRMS opened as planned.

Jeff and all the faculty and staff at CRMS have gone so above and beyond the call of duty it's hard to describe in words. They deserve our sincere appreciation and admiration. There is so much of the year yet to go, and your continued support and attention to CRMS will be so appreciated. As the incoming board chair

in 2021, Stan Wattles '80 says: "Jeff is from another planet, his energy let alone insight, thoughtfulness, awareness and ability to round up the troops with exemplary leadership to keep forging ahead is un-human. We are amazingly blessed to have him and his endless well of enthusiasm for CRMS. That really goes for all the administration, faculty, staff and everyone else who made this school year happen."

If you have a chance to reach out to our very human Jeff and his team to express your thanks and gratitude for their extraordinary efforts to prepare for this unprecedented school year, and navigate the coming months, please do.

Looking ahead, the Future Path Committee has been working for 15 months to generate the next level of possibilities for CRMS. This is to ensure a vital and relevant future for CRMS. The next step will be to implement these ideas, ranging from academic and community life enhancements, to campus improvements. All are with one thing in mind: to make sure that CRMS is a boarding school that continues to attract adventuresome and kind teenagers who learn the timeless values and ideals of CRMS set within the context of academics, community and outdoor experiences.

This report gives you insight into how CRMS is doing, and I hope they inspire confidence in the health of the school and of our future. They certainly do to me. Your continued support, in the countless ways you give it, is so very much appreciated.

All my best,

Virginia Creighton Newton
Parent of Landon '06, Frederick '10, William '17

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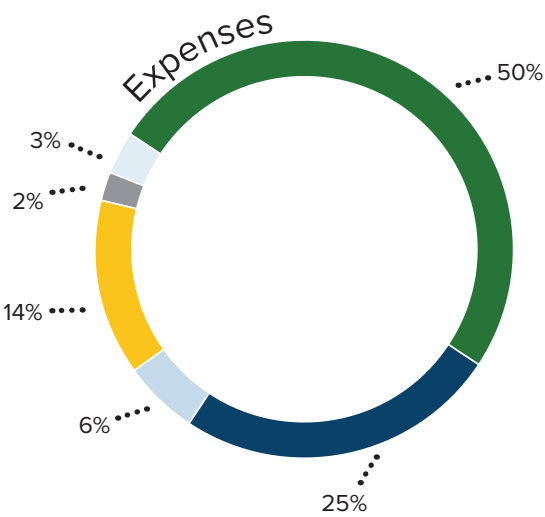


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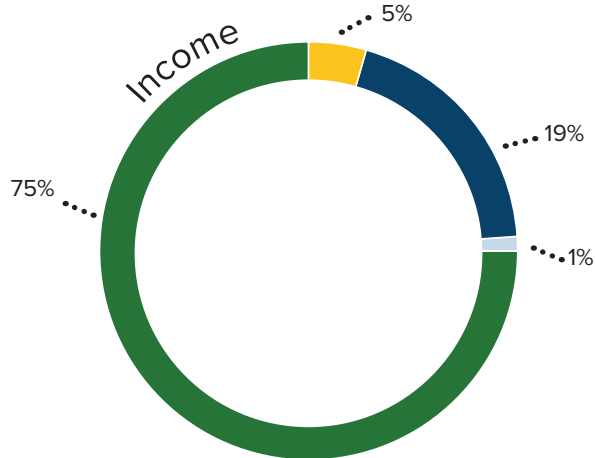


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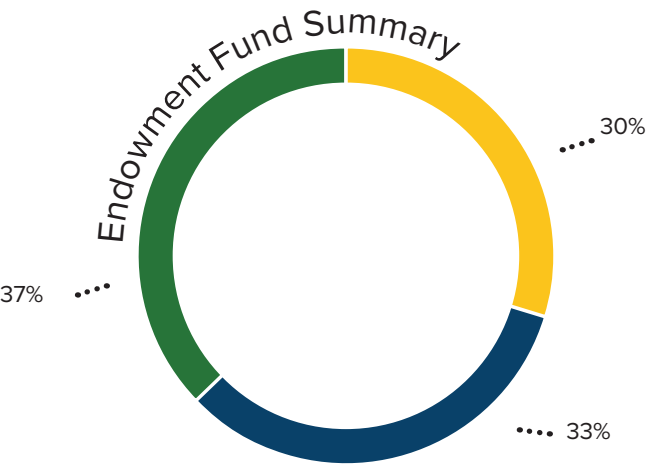
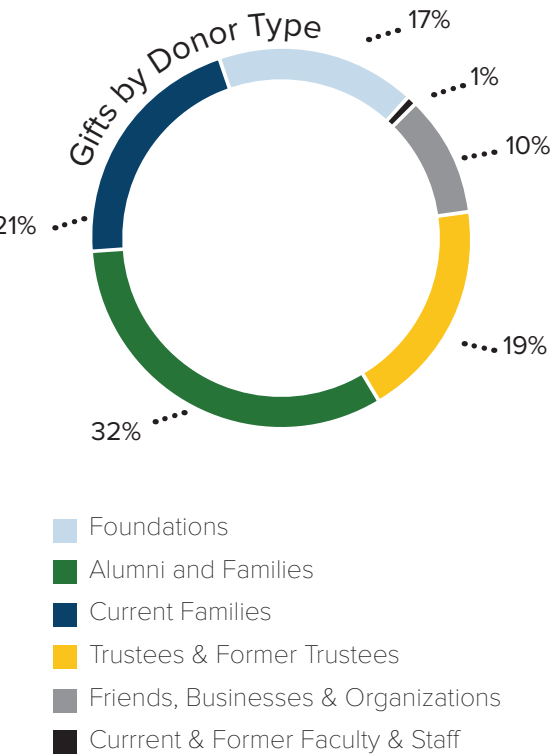
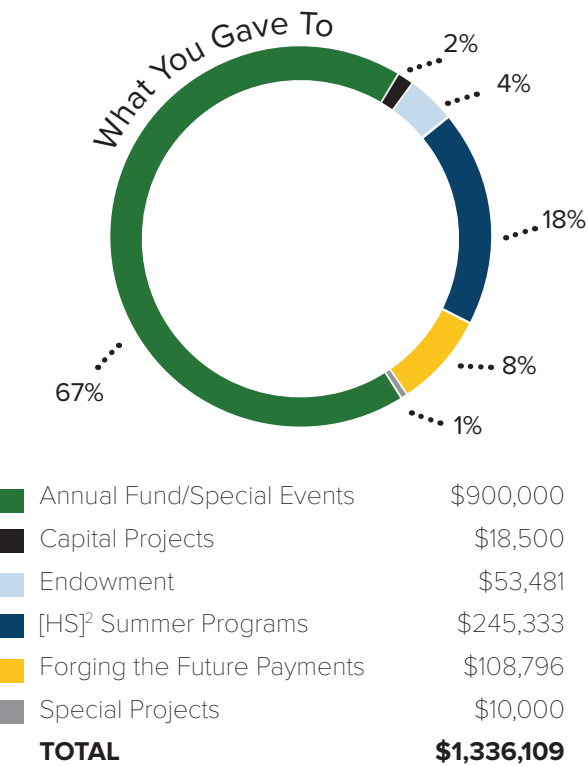


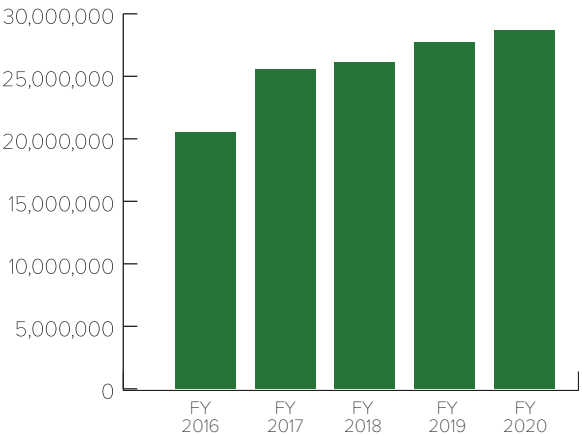
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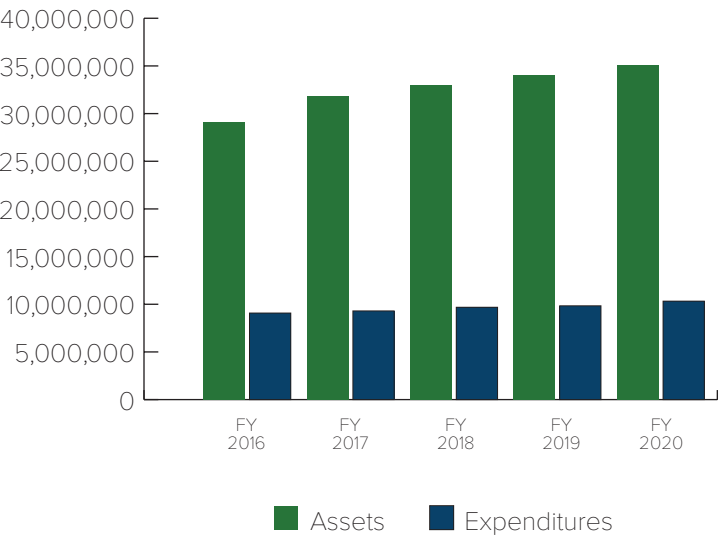
CRMS can offer its outstanding educational program only with the support of families, alumni, trustees, and philanthropists. Gifts to CRMS totaled \$1,336,109 this year.



Endowed Fund Growth



Net Assets vs. Expenditures



ANNUAL FUND

The Annual Fund makes up almost 10% of the school’s annual operating budget. Without your generous contributions each year to the Annual Fund, CRMS would be nearly 10% short on Arts & Active program equipment and supplies, and on a myriad of other daily operations expenses. Your gift to the CRMS Annual Fund makes possible the exemplary daily academic and active experience for every student.
Thank you to all our generous supporters—you help make us whole!

Our entire community contributed \$935,871 to help meet the school’s needs last year. This includes \$739,218 from the 53 *Reasons to Love CRMS* Annual Fund campaign, comprised of \$644,775 in unrestricted gifts and \$94,443 in restricted gifts. The Family Weekend OysterBASH fundraiser and the Scholarship Work Day events raised \$45,303 in support of the Arts & Active programs and Scholarships, and a mini-campaign to update the Glassblowing Studio, which raised \$90,572. Finally, 51 families made tuition refund gifts of \$60,778.

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A VISION FOR OPENING
Trustees, Faculty, Families All Played a Role in Starting the 20–21 Academic Year



**Socially-distant convocation
in August**

The last time a pandemic of the same nature as COVID-19 struck the US, the “Great War” or the first World War was coming to a close. The country, emerging from its first century of growth and turmoil, was beginning to take a position as a global economic and political power. The idea of a progressive, independent educational institution like Colorado Rocky Mountain School was just taking hold, even though John and Ann Holden would not found the school until after that pandemic and a second World War had passed.

The context is significant because just as May 2020—and the second month of the COVID-19 pandemic—confronted the country and our school, it became clear that CRMS had to address the COVID-19 pandemic in terms of months and years, rather than days and weeks. It became clear that returning to in-person instruction for Fall 2020 would not follow any previously developed plan. It became clear

that the entire CRMS community would need to dig into its DNA to chart a completely different path to re-opening, one built around the school’s longtime values of placing the health and care of students at the center of what we do.

“At that time, the two-week spring break that seemed so well placed had come and gone without providing the hoped-for respite, and we were accepting the reality that an in-person graduation was logistically not going to happen,” said Jeff Leahy, Head of School, noting that at the time the school still held out hope for an in-person Alumni Weekend in August. “Our focus turned to preparations and planning around opening the school year, and as we researched our options, we quickly realized that no one in the industry knew any better what the future held.”

“These were uncertain times, and we knew that we had to avoid becoming paralyzed by all the information – some contradictory

– that was coming in from a variety of well-intended sources,” he continued. “From this foggy place, the school took three important steps to gain momentum and direction. The first was to build on our relationship with state and local health officials who could provide much needed guidance and support for the school, as well as affirm the level of autonomy the school would have in navigating these uncertain times, specifically in our ability to retain our boarding population.”

“The second step was to engage the CRMS Board of Trustees in important strategic discussions regarding a wide range of financial implications we could be facing and campus preparations, such as ensuring that we were providing the faculty and students with what they would need to remain healthy throughout the year.”

“Finally, the administrative team set out to build a vision for opening the school and maintaining an in-person learning community



that fit our size and location.” With these steps in mind, the administration and faculty began a summer of preparation.

ACADEMICS

Reopening with a solid academic plan meant plowing into what we learned in the weeks and months of distance learning after spring break, according to Dean of Academics Nancy Draina.

“Last spring, we learned from other schools that it would be impossible to cover the amount of academic content we would in a traditional term while working remotely. With this in mind we embraced the mantra of ‘less is more.’ By pulling back the reigns on the breadth of academic content we cover we were able to attend more carefully to student engagement, overall mastery and wellbeing.”

Thus the Fall 2020 in-person schedule reflected this goal; students had a later start to their academic day, regularly scheduled student meeting blocks to connect with teachers, and three versus four class meetings per week.

The spring taught us that distance learning lessons need to be highly structured and well-planned to be effective, and that students also need a means to follow along if they lose connectivity or a Zoom link.

“So, last spring we asked teachers to maintain a daily syllabus and post it online for students, enabling them to follow along with class material if they got lost or had technical challenges. The use of this daily syllabus also carried over to our Fall 2020 in-person model. Absent students can follow along with the class plan remotely by making use of the agenda and materials posted by their teachers. Because teachers and students are now fluent in Zoom and remote learning, we are in a better situation to adapt to absences overall.”

ACTIVE & OUTDOOR PROGRAMS

Diane Hackle, Director of the Active Program, reflected that caring for the health and safety of students at CRMS also meant major adjustments for the Active

and Outdoor Programs.

“Reopening school this fall with an effective Active and Outdoor program was hard to nail down as knowledge and practices were ever-evolving,” she said. “Fortunately as we drilled down into what CRMS has to work with—a beautiful rural campus with access to plenty of wilderness and outdoor spaces—many of our favorite sports, activities, and service crews actually lend themselves to social distancing and a community committed to in-person learning.”

“CRMS was truly able to leverage our wonderful Roaring Fork Valley location to bring students back. A caring and energized faculty offered engaging orientations for our new students as well as sports and art-focused ‘quarantine

quests’ to get boarding students through the initial quarantine period in August.”

Once the health of both the day and boarding communities could be established, the school felt it was imperative to help all students build a connection to the natural environment. “We launched directly into Fall Trip after the quarantine period, sending 14 expeditions out to the surrounding mountains, rivers and trails. CRMS’s belief in in-person learning is rooted in knowing our students. And thanks to seventy years of experience, we know the best way to get to know them—and for them to know us and each other—is to get out and adventure!” she said.

“Holding Fall Trip before the start of the academic year gave us the foundation we were hoping for and made it possible to open with Active and Outdoor programs in place.”

RESIDENTIAL & STUDENT LIFE

With health, safety, and emotional wellbeing at the center of the CRMS residential experience, adjusting for in-person learning and living demanded new thinking about how our dorms operate, recounted Jennifer Ogilby, Dean of Students.

“The first challenge was bringing back out-of-state boarders and our solution was to have them quarantine in single rooms for two weeks after their travel. We also tightened dorm access rules, helping to create ‘family units’ protected from potential infection risks. This allowed boarding students to move freely within the

dorms with no masks, making way for those deep friendships that are typical of boarding schools to flourish.”

The overall student life experience required adjustment as well, because a part of CRMS’s student success is due to the way the core academic day is normally designed to promote interaction with many faculty, adults and students.

“Advisory groups were encouraged to meet outside when possible, keeping safe distances but allowing for real face-to-face discussions,” she said. “Meal service in the Bar Fork, often one of the best ways for students and faculty to talk about their day, was redesigned as well through staggered lunch periods and the addition of more tables outside. Once it was clear that socializing could still happen safely over meals, we took the opportunity to convert our traditional fall Harvest Dinner into a Harvest Lunch, where advisory groups had a great meal together picnic-style all over the CRMS campus.”

In short, the faculty, staff, and Board of Trustees took every opportunity to examine closely how to negotiate every barrier to re-opening in person, dovetailing care for students with the real and intangible benefits that come from learning together as a community. And while the epidemic is unprecedented in our lifetimes, the dedication—and creative thinking—needed to convert these threats into opportunities are qualities the CRMS community has exhibited in prior crises.

“NOT OUR FIRST RODEO”

At the beginning of his tenure as Head of School from 1983–1991, Chris Babbs was confronted with rapidly deteriorating national economic conditions exacerbated by a local economic shock. The global collapse of the energy market caused hydrocarbon producers to halt production in the Powder River basin on the western slope, contributing to regional economic declines started by reductions in mining. This presented CRMS with an existential dilemma, where a combination of downward trends in boarding school enrollment met with a tightening in bank lending to constrain the school’s finances.

Babbs credits the leadership of Noel Congdon, President of the Board of Trustees at the time, for empowering him to convert these threats into opportunities to reposition CRMS for a different kind of future. Together with trustee, faculty and staff support, Babbs saw the opportunity to revisit the addition of a 9th grade student population, bringing with it the need to rethink health and safety practices for the outdoor program. These changes resulted in the framework for what is now known as CRMS’s Active Program. Powerful work by the CRMS community in the following years positioned the school to welcome a growing day-student population as the valley’s economic engine welcomed growth in recreation, arts and other sectors.

At the start of this process, Babbs said he took inspiration and support from John Holden,



Teaching Fellow Tristan Kurer-Ahrens shows Abbee Pabst '24 knot options during New Student Orientation

whose health was beginning to wane. “When I spoke with John about whether or not to go in this direction, his advice was simply, ‘Go for it.’ Although he was no longer at the school, he believed it was just another opportunity to reaffirm the vision and mission of the school. CRMS has always been a believer in the idea that we all have a stake in doing the hard work.”

As the end of 2020 approaches, the students, families, and faculty who make up the CRMS community can reflect on the incredible energy they’ve expended. It has been for a good cause: to start the 20-21 academic year (almost) like every other year—In person.

“Staying disciplined, avoiding the herd mentality, sifting through and analyzing data and trends, and maintaining openness to

new ideas and information while we charted this new path for the school were critical to the evolution of our planning for the year and the success that we have seen thus far,” said Leahy. “As I look back on the experience it is clear to me today that we were modeling the attitude, behaviors, skills and confidence that we value in a CRMS education and hope to instill in our students.”

A Special Thank You

During this past year of great uncertainty for our school community, CRMS families of current students and graduating seniors embraced the move to a distance-learning format to complete the 2019-20 academic year. In consultation with CRMS trustees the school offered a partial reimbursement of tuition, as a way of supporting the school community in a time of great need. We want to humbly thank the following families who chose to return their reimbursement as a gift to the Annual Fund, a remarkable and touching demonstration of generosity that’s one of the essential values of the CRMS program.

Candace Ashenden & Pamela Oddy
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Daniel & Debra White
John & Samantha Wright

Finally, the CRMS community showed its incredible generosity by providing some special meals for boarding students who remained on campus during and after Spring Break due to safety and travel restrictions. Buckets of fried chicken, takeout pizzas, and catered Italian dinners made a quiet campus feel just a little better.

Andrew & Jennifer Broccolo
Peter Gottsegen

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Karen Kunawicz

WE SHOW UP by A.O. Forbes ’69, CRMS Faculty



Mark Clark, AO Forbes ‘69 and Jim Gaw ‘64 suitably masked

Last March, on the eve of COVID, Mark Clark and I were yucking it up around the new hand sanitizing station at the Bar Fork entrance, musing that we were supposed to teach Camus and the plague but living it was another proposition. Little did we know what was awaiting us.

I have had the luck to witness CRMS over the span of 40 plus years, and, like all things sacred, it gleams in different places at different times. Last spring, CRMS gripped me, took my heart by storm. Despite the narrative that we

are living in unprecedented times, in an era of moral imperatives that make all the old rules and restraints obsolete, CRMS was more relevant than ever. CRMS has a purpose and an intention that transcends ... that endures, that demands, and in shining — that transforms.

Nikos Kazantzakis is an author associated with existential notions who, in beginning a book, thought of himself as a soldier reporting to his commanding officer on a mortal mission — his life.

His life ... I love this notion that we all have a mortal mission to learn and simply to love the mystery of our life and who we are on this planet.

I came to CRMS on the heels of a presidential assassination, with three more assassinations to take place while I was a student here. Hiding under desks from a Soviet threat, unpacking the Vietnam War’s corruption, and seeing the explosion of a civil rights agony unfold on small grainy black and white TV screens were profound and unsettling — perhaps similar to our world today.

Yet, we were in caring hands at CRMS; our mortal mission fleshed out in Wells Kerr’s Shakespeare class, where the full spectrum of humanity was put on vivid display. Wells used to say if you want to learn about who we are, and — most importantly — who you might want to be, read Shakespeare. We learned to be undying optimists from Joe Frank, reading *Don Quixote* as we merged the spirit of a ranch with the experiential notions of John Dewey, hearing Cervantes’ quixotic myths melded into the Holden’s notion that the only inevitable thing is that anything is possible. I laughed and cried with Dutton and Joseph Heller as we read *Catch 22* and discussed the obscene absurdities of war.

Lastly, we learned how to come home with *Odysseus* to a CRMS where simple human decency rules the day. Where people without any hyperbolic fanfare do the right thing simply because they can and because it is the right thing. It is an affirmation of Kurt Hahn’s assertion that compassion is the master of our souls—compassion being the divine spark that assures human dignity. Not the easy path, not without difficulties, but the only path CRMS will ever take. **We show up.** It is in our DNA, and from “big sing” to growing potatoes, we chip away each day, pay homage to Mt. Sopris, and add a piece and a part of one kind or another to our shared humanity. We show up to help the world and ourselves report for our mortal mission. And this mortal purpose crosses all disciplines.

And although the preparations for COVID this summer were heroic, they are very much in keeping with the soulful, personal care that is at the heart of CRMS. They are what John and Anne would describe simply as “meaningful work” and expected of us. As my grandmother used to say, “it is the only game in town.”

ALUMNI GIVING BY CLASS

1954
Ford Sayre

1955
Michael Mechau

1956
Betsey Stevenson Hassrick

1957
Ben Holden
John Stickney
Jane Giffert Temple

1958
Hope Tyler Buckner
Bonnie Holden Carter
Tony Cherin
Nora Fisher
Robert Sayre
Rick Shapiro

1959
Alison McKelvey Clayson
Susan Jay Dean
Abby Solomon

1960
John Chase
Andy Gould
Lynn Bradley Leopold
Dan Roberts
Robert Rymer
Pat Stein Spitzmiller

1961
Joanna Ganong Beachy
Lansing Palmer
Bill Parzybok
Rosamond Perry Turnbull*

1962
Christi Mueller McRoy
Helen Muller
Katie Fanshawe Rosenberg

1963
Martha Whitford Barss
Han-Hua Chang (Summer ‘63)
Bonnie Baldridge Coryell
David Davenport
Peter Emerson
Mike Flax
Lynde Uihlein ‘63

1964
Ellen Clark Anderson
Suzanne Ringer deLesseps
Jim Gaw
Louis Jaffe
Jane Wright Pasipoularides

1965
Barbara Buchanan
Terry Frost Graedon
Adele Hause (Honorary Alumna ‘65)
Peggy Hoburg (Summer ‘65)
David Strouse

1966
Jane LeCompte Anderson
Bart Chapin, III
Stephen J. Fitzpatrick
Mary Janss
Betsy Lauber
Wick Moses
Ilsa Perse
Priscilla Wearin Wagener
Anonymous

1967
Brad Ansley
Steve Barru
Kat Bradley Bennett
Nora Berko
Bernard Brown
Stan Gibbs
Joan Ham
Celia Metcalf McVicker
Kathy Lovett Moritz
Emily Rosenberg-Pollock
Patricia Shelton
Harry Van Camp
Brian Watwood
Dave Westerbeka
Anonymous

1968
Leslie Andrews
Geary Atherton
Sam Chapin
Lee Ann Eustis (Honorary Alumna)
Nick Kukulan
Kit Muller
Evelyn A. Petschek
Ramelle Cochrane Pulitzer
Dorothy F. Reed
Susie Schlesinger
David Steven
Ted Williams*
Anonymous

1969
Towne Allen
Warren Anderson
Carol Bailly
A.O. Forbes
Alice Woolsey Godfrey
Doug Lewis
Marian “Lolly” Lewis
Lise Bearwald McCarthy
Alex Morley
Ravi Venkateswaran
Jim Welch
Wade Wykert

1970
Gina Berko
Carol Fisher
Jock Mackinlay
Ed Merritt
Frances Soverel
John Woodin

1971
Charles Carrington
Kristin Harding Dubick
Raymond Geis
Catherine Wyler Hayden
Risto Lappala
Laura Friedberg Miller
Jim Ostrem
Marjorie Perry
Bill Savage
Jonathan Siegel
Kim Stacey
David Thomson
David Wyler

1972
Randall Celli
Franz Froelicher
Robert Kleinbaum
James B. Koons
Brian LaHaye
Mary Mills
Benjamin L. Niles
Dave Powers
Cynthia Price

1973
Ralph Beck
Scott Blau
Patricia Crawford Brewer
Frederic C. Hamilton
Rebecca Furr Ivester
James Nagel
David Parker

Ron Powell
Sally Childs Richendrfer
Ely White

1974
William Anschuetz
Gina Barnhart Hardin
David Harvey
Hannah Laufe
Jeff Platt
Ellen Boswell Schiefer
David Tanner
Virginia Touhey
Nicholas T. Walker

1975
Mila Brooks Brenner
John Collett
Gail Dearden
Sigrid Bredenberg Flor
Harry Heafer
Margot L. Ritz
Mark Stranahan

1976
Amy Blackstone
Nellie Bracker
Douglas Carman
Stephanie Donovan
Elizabeth Ellis
Gregory Stewart
Tim Whitley

1977
Susie Alexander
Heather Hause Froelicher
Stephen Kern
Daniel Martinez

1978
Jill Wiester Bauman
Amy Daggett
Elizabeth Hirschland
Nick Lenssen
Will McKee
Peter McWhinney

1979
Brett Hall Jones
Sally Koenig

1980
Rob Mackinlay
Preston Root
Lynda Walters
Stan Wattles
Ted Williams

1982
Rebecca Arndt ‘82
Leila Gass
Lisa Clearlite Giacalone
Liz Kiggen

1983
David Edwards
Lee Hall
Ann Hodel
Sean McEvoy
Michelle Pulsifer Peterson
Julie Urvater

1984
Dawn Fuller Lutz
C. J. Morton

1985
Jeff Bunting
Devon Daney
Tiare Pitts Flora
Carter Hofmeister

1986
Moneeka Settles

1988
Alan Eldridge
Robyn Clark Liotta

1989
Lydia Lien Butler
Cloud Morrison

1990
Shelley E. Babicka
Paolo Bacigalupi
Karen Zeder Blaschke
Sarah Daney
Amanda Dworski
Mags Miller

1991
Jay Marling

1992
Tara Holden
Cory Hardie Ritchie

1993
Michelle Smith Bonfils
Chris Bromley
Ute Terheggen

1994
Aaron Schmidt

1995
Hanni Keyser
Erin McClain Ray

1996
Bryan Ezra

1997
Sierra Jacober Aldrich
John Czechowicz
Erik Jeffries
Sam Tripp
Anonymous

1998
Leah Gorman
Nuria Moya Lang

1999
Burch Fisher
Jon Muir
Hayes Parzybok
Melody Scheefer Van Boerum

2000
Caleb Gaw
Elizabeth Smith

2002
Rhett Tatum

2004
Ali Wade Cottle
Ross Dillon

2005
Matthew Cahn

2006
Garett Bjorkman

2007
Katie Fales

2009
Luke Lubchenco
Elli McKinley
Meg Schumacher

2010

John Adams

2011

Peyton Heitzman
Anonymous (2)

2012

Thorne Warner

2013

Michaela Craig
Lea Linse

2014

George Bernard

2017

Helen Roosevelt

2018

Jessie Bright
Megan Leahy
Emily Wiley
Sophie Zhao

2019

Riley Padgett
Olivia Pedersen
Baxter Waltermire
Daniel Wang

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Finn Leahy

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Lori Gavette
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Anonymous (2)

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Daniel Ziskin
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*In honor of all of the wonderful teachers who set me on the path
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Wick Moses ‘66

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In honor of Lester & Cynthia Price
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In memory of Jeffrey Tuerk ’90
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In memory of Aunt Betty
Brian Watwood ‘67



RECONNECTED TO THE CRYSTAL RIVER

Last year, CRMS began the demolition of the Old Boys Dorm, also known as Sheepy Hollow, in order to build much-needed new faculty housing. Where a lumbering building used to sit, that once housed boys, girls, then the music program and later a bike shop, now two brand new single-family residences peer down on the Crystal River.

Finished in late August of 2020, the two new homes feature a host of energy-efficient design elements. The southern home, which is now occupied by Dean of academics Nancy Draina and her family, measures 2,317 square feet and includes a beautiful view of Mt. Sopris from its front porch. The northern property is a similar configuration but slightly smaller at 1,998 square feet, and looks toward Red Hill and the convergence of the Crystal River with the Roaring Fork River. Its first occupant is English Department Head Matt Norrdin and his growing family.

“With the arrival of our second child last winter, the beautiful home with three bedrooms, set just so above the beloved Crystal River, will provide our children with a magical home to grow up in,” said Norrdin. “We all love looking at the grandeur of Mt. Sopris, but our family’s favorite feature of the North Sheepy

Hollow home is the unique, expansive downriver view of the Crystal River as it tumbles towards Red Hill and the Flattops beyond.”

Very much to this point, new housing on campus enables faculty families to grow up, too, according to Draina.

“In 2009, when I was pregnant with Zack, we moved to the Whitaker House. It was a perfect place to raise my two young children: Seasons were marked by the sounds of cattle drives, giggling children sliding down snow piles and Coffee House music from the nearby barn. We loved our small home, but as the children grew, it became clear we were outgrowing the space. Sylvi was thrilled when I told her we would be moving to a new house where she could have her own room. Zack hesitated, wondering how we could leave a space that held echos of his childhood. His sentimentality underscores the point that faculty housing is not just a place to live; it is a home. It is where we make our lives, celebrate daily moments, and mark the passing of years.”

“We are grateful for the opportunity to live (in Sheepy Hollow South),” continued Nancy. “My children are

settling in, recognizing seasons marked by nesting osprey, the Crystal River’s changing flows and an even better view of the cattle drive. I want to thank the generous donors, and the Board of Trustees, for providing my family and all of the faculty at CRMS with an exceptional place to call home.”

In addition to relieving some pressure on CRMS faculty to secure housing in one of the most expensive markets in the country, the sighting of these two homes creates an opportunity to reconnect the center of campus to the Crystal River. Nestled between the two homes is a common area, which opens a path to the edge of the river from the lawn between the Welcome Center and the Wellness Center. Although the final landscaping will be completed in the near future, this re-established connection between the center of campus and the Crystal promises to offer students, faculty and staff, and visitors improved access to this important natural feature of our campus.

“Constructing additional campus housing was initially intended to provide a temporary surplus that would create an opportunity to perform

major renovations of existing units that cannot be completed during regularly scheduled breaks,” stated Joe White, Director of Finance. “This year, that temporary surplus made an enormous contribution to our COVID-19 operating plan by creating spaces for our students to quarantine or isolate. The Sheepy Hollow project was lucky timing in that regard.”

“In the long term,” he continued, “additional campus housing will help CRMS address a critical shortage of affordable housing in the Roaring Fork Valley. Benefits accrue both to CRMS and to the greater local community. For CRMS, improving campus housing will aid in attracting and retaining the highest quality faculty and staff our students’ families have come to expect.”

CRMS could not prepare for future student and faculty needs without the visionary support of donors who made gifts in recent years to support capital projects. We owe a debt of gratitude to everyone who has invested in ensuring that the school’s facilities meet today’s needs, and prepare us to welcome the next generation of educators and learners onto campus.

Bar Fork – Essential Updates Made Possible by Capital Donors

Due to health and safety needs demanded by COVID-19, in Summer 2020 we began the work on the next capital improvement, the Bar Fork, our beloved dining hall and gathering area.

The immediate scope of the improvements focused on elevating the safety and efficiency of food preparation areas and service to our seating and dining experience, ensuring appropriate and healthy dining space for students and faculty. The next time you visit the Bar Fork, you'll notice these important improvements right away.

First, the food service area grew significantly thanks to moving a wall closer to the dining area. This change enabled the creation of a second food service area for soups, salads, and fruits and vegetables from the CRMS Garden. We also created a beverage service area that improves line management and flow while encouraging safe distancing, also resulting in additional food preparation and storage areas that are in line with current health and safety guidelines, while adhering to the long-term plan of improving space utilization in the kitchen area.

Other improvements include a half-wall replacement in the student lounge, which creates not only a safer airflow environment, but also makes for an inviting gathering space. In the future, students will experience a more welcoming—and faster—Bar Fork experience.

We want to thank the following donors who made gifts to the CRMS Capital Projects Fund in recent years. Their gifts to support important, long-term improvements and changes to campus facilities enabled the school to meet the immediate need to ensure a safe and healthy food service environment, while advancing a long-term project that will benefit students today and for many years to come.

Peter Levine & Martha Blackwell
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The next phase of the Bar Fork facility remodel will include a thoughtful expansion of the dining area, lecture rooms, the school's bookstore, and other modernizations. You can be sure we'll maintain the architectural qualities that make the Bar Fork a hallmark of the CRMS campus. Your gift to the CRMS Capital Projects Fund could be the one that helps today's students experience a completely new Bar Fork! If you would like to learn more about the Capital Projects Fund, please contact Heath Hignight, Director of Development.

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To learn more about how you can support what matters most to you, please contact [Heath Hignight](#), Director of Development.

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The Bar Fork food
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GIVING EVENTS

Each year, CRMS hosts two important events that support the school’s fundraising efforts: Family Weekend’s OysterBASH silent auction and Scholarship Work Day.

The 2019 Family Weekend event contributed \$39,568 to support the school’s daily needs. Thank you to our business sponsors, underwriters, and all the parents, alumni, and friends who bid on silent auction items. Also, a tremendous amount of gratitude goes to the volunteers who helped 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. Normally, crews of students and faculty spend a beautiful Saturday in May day completing helpful household jobs in Carbondale and around the broader Roaring Fork Valley to help raise money for the Scholarship Fund. This year, we decided to cancel SWD in the interest of ensuring the health and safety of our students, faculty, and of course our community members. However, many sponsors chose to honor their generous commitments, which raised \$5,735 toward scholarships and financial aid.

FAMILY WEEKEND

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The Holden Circle honors those donors who have designated CRMS in their estate plans. To learn more about how to join this visionary group of alumni and donors, please contact Heath Hignight, Director of Development.

These Holden Circle Members are leaving a legacy for generations yet to come.

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Family Weekend 2019:
left to right: Sarah Teague ‘20; Kate ‘20, Nelson and Ben ‘24 Oldham; Julia Feiler ‘20

HIGH SCHOOL HIGH SCHOLAR PROGRAM



(HS)² DONORS 2019-20 \$50,000+

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High School High Scholar [HS]² is a rigorous STEM-based summer enrichment program that supports first-generation and/or low-income minority students from around the country. Traditionally, the program extends for five weeks each summer to prepare 75 students to succeed in college by empowering them with STEM-based skills, a family of driven peers, and a space to see the light and power in their own voices. The program is tremendously successful, maintaining a 100% college acceptance rate among graduates. Additionally, 92% of [HS]² scholars graduate from college in four to six years.

During Summer 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic required [HS]² to offer virtual programming to our scholars. This year’s program included Writing and Math classes for all students, College Counseling for 2nd and 3rd-years, as well as SAT prep, our outstanding Geopolitical Studies course, and a new advisory program. We wish to thank the donors below for contributing \$292,504 to the [HS]² program.

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ALUMNI - ENDURING CONNECTIONS

Our 3,200-plus alumni are the foundation on which CRMS is built and continues to thrive. Their involvement and support are vital to the continued success of this school.

2020 VIRTUAL ALUMNI WEEKEND

After a summer like no other in recent memory, this year’s Alumni Weekend became a celebration of what it means to be a part of the CRMS Alumni Community.

Over 130 CRMS alumni registered for the 2020 CRMS Virtual Alumni Weekend on August 7-8, 2020, joining in for virtual class reunions over Zoom along with a video tour of campus and chats with favorite faculty. It was wonderful to hear the great stories you shared about your time at CRMS, and to see all of the great friendships that have grown across distance and time.

We also heard from many of you that CRMS has an important role to play in preparing today’s students for the unique challenges facing our local, state, and

national communities. Staying true to the legacy of the school, it’s important to explore social equity and encourage students to develop the agency and courage that’s needed right now. You also told us how important it is to maintain a strong sense of community that enables students to learn how to build meaningful relationships.

You shared so many memories that inspire our dedication to maintaining a vibrant alumni community. We hope you’ll join us in thanking Tashi Brundige ’16, AO Forbes ’69, and Kayo Ogilby for their wonderful musical performances.

And, we want to thank everyone for joining the Virtual Alumni Weekend!



STOP BY TO SAY “HI!”

Visiting the Roaring Fork Valley and want to see the campus? Even during COVID-19, let us know a few days before your arrival and we can update you on the latest conditions in the valley, and whether visitors are allowed on campus.

Late this summer, Satomi Sugaya ’02, who is a postdoctoral fellow after completing her Ph.D in Physics, made a “drive by” with her partner and stopped long enough for a quick photo.



FIND YOUR FRIENDS

There are several ways to engage with your fellow CRMS Alumni.

- Follow us on Facebook @CRMSAlumni
- Follow us on Instagram @coloradorockymountainschool
- Connect though Colorado Rocky Mountain School on LinkedIn.

Share updates with us and we can share it through social media with hundreds of alumni living across the globe.

CRMS ALUMNI WEEKEND

Rain or shine, in-person or virtual; plan to “make your way back” to CRMS this summer!
AUGUST 6 - 8, 2021

Alumni weekend is open to all alumni as well as former faculty and staff.

CLASSES CELEBRATING MILESTONE YEARS

1961 1971 1996 2011 2016
60th 50th 25th 10th 5th

Registration opens February 1, 2021
www.crms.org/alumni/alumni-events/

NOTE: the format of Alumni Weekend (virtual or in-person) will be determined later in the spring or as conditions develop. We'll announce this on the website and through email and social media.

If you are not receiving emails from us, we need to update our records! You can help us by contacting Tim O'Keefe, Parent & Alumni Relations Manager, at tokeefe@crms.org or call 970.963.2562 ext. 133
We look forward to “seeing” you!