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**Lisa Lyle**  
Head of School

Greetings from our 100 beautiful acres here at MICDS! Our 2018-2019 school year is now in full swing and off to a great start. The theme this year is Well-Being. As a community, we will focus on the many factors that contribute to—and detract from—Well-Being in an effort to help all members of our community optimize their ability to thrive. The theory of Well-Being put forth by Seligman focuses on PERMA: positive emotions, engagement, positive relationships, meaning and accomplishment. A growing body of research indicates that augmenting these aspects of a person's life results in increased flourishing. In fact, the administrative team read *Flourish* by Seligman this summer, and I would encourage each of our readers to do so as well. This research provides educators and parents—all of us, really—with specific approaches we can use as we make our way in the world—strategies that help us not just suffer through but live with purpose and joy.

Coming together joyfully is one important part of what it means to be a member of our community, whether we are talking about Homecoming in the fall or Reunion Weekend in the spring. This past spring provided us with the opportunity to delight in the company of others and to be dazzled by amazing accomplishments. As you read the pages that follow, you'll find that this issue of MICDS Magazine celebrates the many attributes of our School that make us a vibrant, exciting, active and unified community.

On top of all that, we're also a bold community! This summer our comprehensive *Bold Action: A Campaign for MICDS* came to an end, and we are delighted to report that we blew past our initial and revised goals thanks to the generous support of our community. You'll enjoy learning more about that in the pages that follow.

In this issue, you'll also learn more about our innovative humanities curriculum and the ways in which our faculty and staff are engaging and preparing students to be 21st century leaders. From JK all the way to graduation, our students benefit from English and history curricula that give them the tools they need to succeed in the world—writing, public speaking and persuasion, critical thinking, media literacy, empathy and more. As all our alumni can attest, MICDS cultivates particularly strong writers and thinkers!

Speaking of success, **Louisa Rechter '05** is just one example of the way MICDS graduates are using their foundational skills to reach new heights. Read how Louisa has combined her entrepreneurial spirit with art and culture to create a fashion brand that's making big waves. Her commitment to her passion AND to making a difference in the world is testament to the impact of an MICDS education!

Indeed, we have lots to celebrate this year at MICDS. As I close out my tenure as Head of School, I continue to be extraordinarily grateful to you, the people who make this place so special. Thank you, as always, for your commitment to our Mission and all we do to prepare leaders for lives of purpose and service. Enjoy this issue of MICDS, and enjoy all that awaits this fall.

Warmly,

*Lisa Lyle*



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## Sterling K. Brown '94 Makes a Surprise Visit

Nearly 25 years after his graduation from MICDS, Emmy-award winning actor **Sterling K. Brown '94** wanted a taste of what life is like on campus today. Between reuniting with former teachers, coaches and classmates; seeing the new facilities; and meeting current students, we'd say his day was jam-packed with excitement.



[SEE MORE PHOTOS FROM BROWN'S VISIT >>](#)



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- 01. Sterling reconnects with Upper School Drama teacher Carolyn Hood.
- 02. Sterling ended his tour where it all began—Orthwein Theatre.
- 03. Right outside the pool is the new MICDS Hall of Fame, where Sterling was greeted by a few star-struck students. He certainly made their day!
- 04. Sterling receives a new football jersey with his number 25 during his visit to Ron Holtman Stadium and O'Hara Field.
- 05. Head of School Lisa Lyle and Director of Development Amy McFarland Dove '85 show Sterling the new McDonnell Hall and Brauer Hall.



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The co-ed Robotics team, Technoramic, focuses on the task at hand during competition.

## Co-ed Robotics Team Competes at World Championships

MICDS' co-ed Robotics team, Technoramic, led a major program this year, all the way to the FIRST World Championships in Houston, Texas!

Their journey to the World Championships began at the East Conference Qualifier, where the team was awarded 3rd place for the Control Award, 2nd place for the Motivate Award, 2nd place for the Rockwell Collins Innovate Award and 2nd place for the Think Award. In addition, the team also received the Inspire Award—the most prestigious award and given to the team that embodies the "challenge" of the FIRST Tech Challenge program. The Inspire Award winner is the first team to advance to the State Championship.

While at State, the team placed 3rd in their division for robot performance, which advanced them to the South Super Regionals in Athens, Georgia. They were then chosen to compete at the World Championships, where they placed 58th overall.

"The team gained valuable experience during competition this year," said Upper School Math Instructor and Technoramic Team Head Coach **Travis Menghini**. "The team took great notes, explored the pits and asked the more experienced teams for advice. Examples of knowledge gained include the engineering notebook, design process, CAD and other areas such as keeping new members involved in the program. We are hoping to utilize this valuable information in our seasons to come."



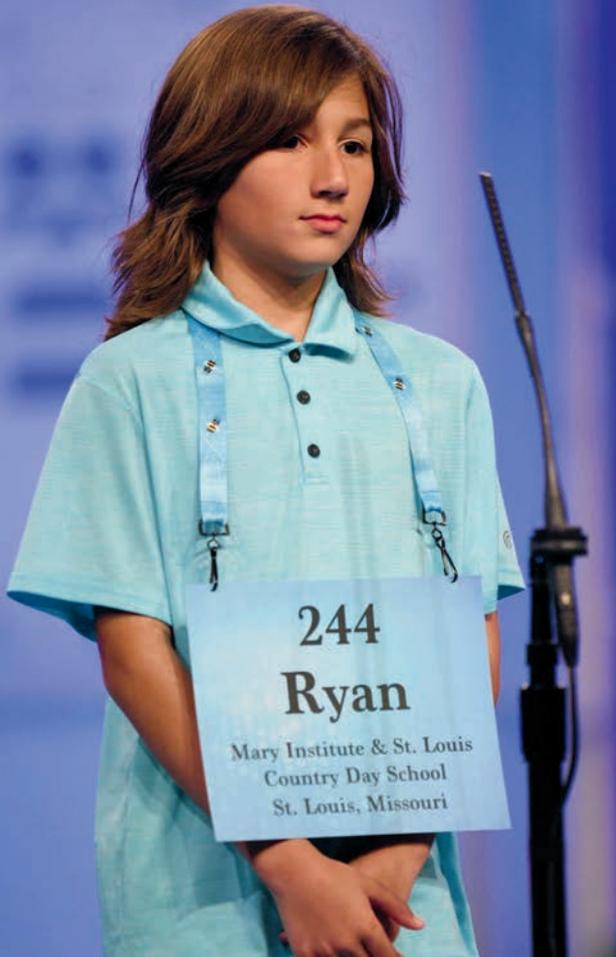
*Way to go, Robotics!*

Ryan Connor Smith '22 after spelling "adjudicative" on the first day of the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

## Spellbound Smith '22 Represents M-I-C-D-S

We hereby declare **Ryan Connor Smith '22** a master wordsmith, spelling his way to the Scripps National Spelling Bee this year. During the national competition, Ryan correctly spelled "adjudicative" to make it to the 2nd day of competition. Overall, Ryan tied for 323rd place. We think that's pretty incredible, especially considering approximately 11 million students start the process nationally. Congrats, Ryan!

*"The feat of winning the spelling bee at MICDS might sound small, but it was the stepping stone for so many great things," Ryan said. "It led to me going to the Scripps National Spelling Bee this year, which was larger than life and a dream come true."*



## An All-School Lip Sync for Spirit

Under the vision and leadership of **Sebastian Neumann '21**, students participated in an exciting school-wide event at the end of April—a lip dub!

A lip dub is a video project in which singers are filmed lip-syncing to popular music. In MICDS' case, Upper School students and faculty rose to the occasion, lip-syncing the words to their songs while dancing through campus. The video culminated in a shot at the MAC that included all divisions lip-syncing Kool and the Gang's "Celebrate," led by Head of School **Lisa Lyle** and Assistant Head of School **Brian Thomas**.

Students and teachers both played an important role and were excited to show off their MICDS spirit in this School-wide community event.



Sebastian Neumann '21 lip-syncs his heart out during the School-wide Lip Dub.





## MICDS Welcomes Elizabeth Miller as CFO

There was an uptick in this summer's financial forecast as we welcomed **Elizabeth (Beth) Miller**, CPA, as MICDS' new Chief Financial Officer—effective June 18.

*“Beth was the enthusiastic and unanimous choice of the Search Committee, and I am confident she will be a spectacular hire,” said Head of School Lisa Lyle.*

A St. Louis native, Miller comes to MICDS having most recently served as Chief Financial Officer, Chief Administrative Officer and Executive Vice President at Nidec Americas Holding Corporation. Prior to that, she served a long tenure in various positions at Emerson Electric, most notably as Vice President - Finance,

CFO from 2006-2010. Miller holds a master of business administration and bachelor of science in accounting and finance from St. Louis University.

“I'm very excited about joining MICDS and being part of the community,” Miller said.

Miller's primary responsibilities include working in close strategic partnership with the Head of School and the Board to ensure careful financial management and sustainability; developing and managing the School's \$34M operating budget; overseeing the administration of the School's \$118M endowment and executing the decisions of the Investment Committee; overseeing and maintaining all of the School's business functions and operations, including facilities, human resources, technology, food service and campus security.

In addition, Miller joined MICDS toward the close of *Bold Action: A Campaign for MICDS*, one of the largest capital campaigns in independent day school history. The campaign raised \$100 million, which has helped build McDonnell Hall and Brauer Hall, the School's state-of-the-art STEM facility and Upper School gathering space; the Steward Family Aquatic Center and William R. Orthwein Sr. Pool; Ron Holtman Stadium

and O'Hara Field; Holekamp Track and Field Stadium; and supported endowment priorities such as Faculty Tuition Benefit, Student Access and others.

“Beth has tremendous industry experience, which will be vital to our School as we recently concluded our comprehensive Bold Action Campaign, continue to grow a healthy endowment and remain responsible stewards of our financial resources and facilities,” Lyle said. “We look forward to seeing Beth lead as we continue to advance our bold Mission to prepare graduates for lives of purpose and service.”



## THE BUSINESS OF STYLE:

# Rechter '05 Finds Success in the World of Fashion

JILL CLARK

**Louisa Rechter '05** excitedly opens a package full of beautiful handwoven fabrics from the Habi Philippine Textile Council, where women weave fabrics that will eventually adorn patrons attending a gala, a wedding or a night on the town. As Louisa, along with business partner Alessandra Perez-Rubio, shuffle through old photos of their mothers and grandmothers from Manila and Cebu during the 1960s, the women from the Habi Philippine Textile Council find inspiration for their fabrics.

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**LAUNCHING MESTIZA NEW YORK**


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Together, Louisa and Alessandra recently launched Mestiza New York, a dress line inspired by their Filipino-American heritage. Alessandra hails from Manila, and Louisa's mother is American but spent most of her life growing up in Cebu. Now in their fourth year of business, Mestiza—which means "mixed ancestry" in Filipino—has made headway in retailers such as Neiman Marcus, Nordstrom, Shopbop, Moda Operandi and Revolve. In addition, their pieces have been worn by celebrities such as Chrissy Teigen, Ashley Graham, Kate Walsh, Molly Sims and more.





Louisa Rechter '05, co-founder of Mestiza New York

A central part of the brand's identity is to offer elevated and accessible dresses, but without the couture price tags.

"We were both living in New York and were invited to events and weddings that required black tie attire. Invitations were piling up, and everything we wanted to wear we couldn't afford" Louisa said. "That's when we decided to launch a line that offered elevated, reasonably-priced dresses that are well made and unique."

*"A lot of people said, 'You're starting a retail business in the worst retail climate. Why does anyone need another dress brand?' Despite that, we kept trudging on."*

Though the dress line has now found its stride, starting a business wasn't easy, according to Louisa.

Friends from college, Louisa and Alessandra took the first leap into business partnership while still working their respective full-time jobs.

"We would meet up in New York's garment district to try to find fabrics and then spent long hours working on samples and designs. It took a year before we quit our jobs to go full-force," Louisa said.

From there, Louisa and Alessandra began cold-calling small stores and boutiques that they thought might carry their line. According to Louisa, "that was a failure."

"No one had heard of us nor wanted anything to do with us," she said.

So they switched gears and tried a direct-to-consumer sales model where they took their pieces to trunk shows. In just two weeks, they sold 100 units from their collection and were eventually picked up by Anthropologie's wedding arm, BHLDN. It was the perfect match, as Mestiza's brand is all about a "fun and flirty" look featuring tassels as one of the signature components of the dresses—also inspired by their Filipina roots.

They were starting to see some success, but there was still a lot to do. In order to become the big brand they'd always dreamed of, they'd need to raise funds to scale up.

"We did a lot of fundraising at the beginning and received pockets of money from investors here and there," Louisa said. "We used those funds to invest in a pattern maker, a production team and a photo shoot that would truly capture our inspiration and brand identity."

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#### **SUSTAINING THE TRADITIONAL CRAFT**

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Louisa is proud of the success she's experienced so far, but she said she's prouder of the way her business helps sustain a more than century-old craft—traditional Filipina fabric weaving.

"By employing women through the Habi Philippine Textile Council, we are helping preserve the traditional craft. It also gives them a steady paycheck and helps sustain the local cotton industry. It is such an inspiration behind our brand," she said.



For Louisa, allowing the women the freedom to create their own designs and on their own timeline is an important component of the relationship.

*"We never push deadlines or try to over-insert our own ideas," she said. "We want this to truly be authentic to the women and their works of art."*

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#### AN ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT SHAPED BY MICDS

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Louisa comes from a family that has historically been in the retail business, so it seemed natural for her to take a similar leap. However, it was MICDS—and the community—that further nurtured her.

"I always had an entrepreneurial spirit, and I knew I wanted to find success in my life somehow, but I didn't know at the time that this is what I'd be doing," she said. "MICDS was such a nurturing environment. From fellow alumni to teachers and parents, everyone in the community is so supportive."

Louisa learned a lot at MICDS, but one of the most valuable things she learned was to be resourceful and self-reliant, but unafraid to ask for help when needed.

"MICDS made me excited to learn, because it wasn't an environment that was overly competitive. Students were genuine friends, and teachers made themselves available," she said. "MICDS taught me to reach out for help and ask for help. When people were supportive, it inspired me to keep going."

Louisa also shared that, when first starting out, she heeded advice from alumni/ae and parents of alumni/ae who were in the same industry. She said she ultimately values the strong network MICDS has provided her, and she would be more than happy to give the same support in return.

"The MICDS network extends beyond graduation. I would always welcome someone who wanted to talk to me for advice or encouragement. MICDS gives us a special connection. There's a special place in my heart for anyone who graduated from MICDS."

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#### MICDS CONTINUES TO NURTURE FASHION-MINDED STUDENTS

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Louisa is not the only MICDS alumna/us who has been successful in the fashion industry. There are several, including **Devon Windsor '12**, **Emily Brady Koplak '98** and **Hillary Oik Dutcher '97** to name a few. Some current students and young alumni are also dipping their toes into the world of fashion. **Abigail Werner '19**

is one such student, who was chosen to participate in a competitive week-long internship this past spring during New York Fashion Week. There she worked for designer and fashion icon, Dennis Basso. She was the youngest intern chosen to participate and worked closely with college students and recent college graduates.

Abigail, whose parents are also in the fashion industry, hopes to own her own business one day. During fashion week, she took a taxi every morning to Basso's studio in Long Island, where she worked long, 12-hour days.

"I helped choose the gowns for celebrities to wear during the week," she said. "I had a lot of responsibility."

Abigail also credits MICDS with cultivating her passion for art. While in **Brad Heinemann's** sculpture class, she had the chance to channel her creativity and take the projects in whatever direction she wanted.

"We did a lot of sketching before projects in Mr. Heinemann's class," she said. "It was always great to see how our sketches came to life. In addition, it helped me with organizational skills—learning how to set up a project and see it through to completion."



During fashion week, Abigail also used the time-management skills she learned as a student at MICDS.

“Everything that week was extremely fast-paced, and I had to do a lot of tasks in a certain time period. Knowing how to manage my time proved valuable.”

Next year, Abigail plans on applying to intern at LA’s Fashion Week to get a feel for the coastal, more everyday fashion industry complement to her high-end New York experience.

For Louisa, Abigail and others, it’s clear MICDS helped lay a firm foundation in providing the skills, creativity and entrepreneurial spirit needed to chase your passions. We are excited to see what’s ahead as MICDS graduates lead and shape the fashion industry with purpose.



Abigail Werner '19 puts in long hours at her internship during New York Fashion Week.





## A Cross-School Experience

The power and inspiration behind being a JK-12 School is evident every week at MICDS! One example of this collaborative learning happened this spring, when Upper School AP Chemistry students visited Beasley science students to teach them important lessons about the way the world works.

Upper School students **Jordan Rothrock '19** and **Jennifer Goldberg '19** asked Lower School students to model states of matter through movement as they walked closely together and in slow motion as a solid, and more quickly and spread apart to imitate a liquid. From there, the mentors wowed their young pupils by filling a balloon with carbon dioxide gas caused by a reaction between baking soda and vinegar.

Lastly, students played with "oobleck," a non-Newtonian fluid that takes on characteristics of both solid and liquid based on the force exerted around it.

*"It was such a great experience being able to share some of what I learned this year in AP Chemistry with the JK students and watching their excitement during our lesson. I loved how our final project not only gave us the opportunity to demonstrate our knowledge, but it also allowed us to have fun and inspire the little ones at the same time," said Jennifer.*

With such a solid lesson, the Beasley students walked away with a greater understanding of how chemistry works in the world around them.



Galvin Lay '31 gives quite the reaction as he explores "oobleck," a non-Newtonian fluid that takes on characteristics of both solid and liquid based on the force exerted around it



Second graders share songs and uplifting messages during their first pen pal video.

## Lower Schoolers Exchange Pen Pal Videos with Nepalese Students

The MICDS 2nd and 4th grade classes have formed a new and exciting relationship with students from Shree Krishna Basic School in Gamaudi, Dailekh Nepal, thanks to a connection with alumna **Janie Kaiser '11**. Janie is the co-founder of ECC (Education Concern Center) Nepal, which began in 2016.

ECC aims to "bring interactive learning to rural and remote Nepal. By using research and experience in child development and educational psychology, ECC is working to train teachers, provide materials and alter the environment of the school and the classroom. Classrooms are going to become fun spaces where students learn through play, hands-on activities, songs and games," Janie said.

As part of that effort, Janie initiated a pen pal relationship between one of her classes and MICDS 2nd and 4th graders. MICDS students then created videos of their own to share with her students.

"After winter break, Janie was in St. Louis and stopped by MICDS to talk about her work with her kids in Nepal. We had lunch with Janie to talk about what a pen pal relationship would look like, and that day she came to talk to our 2nd graders about her kids and their school and life in Nepal," said 2nd Grade Teacher **Kristen Kaiser**.

She added, "As soon as Janie returned to Nepal, we sent her our first video messages where our students introduced themselves and talked about their favorite book they were reading. When we got the response, it was great for our students to see what a classroom in Nepal looks like as well as learn about some of their traditions and how their day-to-day life is similar and different from ours."

ECC launched their efforts with a "Model School Project" in Gamaudi Village. By working closely with three schools and their communities, ECC has created a research-like environment where they study the efficacy of their educational intervention.

"It is a small-scale educational intervention where teachers are provided continuous and in-depth support as they go through the training and struggles of teaching with limited resources. ECC will work exclusively in Gamaudi Village for three years before presenting their findings in the hopes of being able to expand their work to other communities across rural Nepal," said Janie.



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## An Innovative Take on Math

Middle School math teachers and students dove into creative learning projects this spring. And while having fun, they reviewed important math concepts in a true project-based-learning style.

Imagine playing a board game where the goal is to build a robot to save your captured 7th grade teachers and review math concepts at the same time. That's exactly what a group of 7th graders was up to during one of **Dustin Delfin's** lesson plans. Students designed board games to help them review what they learned in class, an alternate (and fun) way to prepare for their cumulative assessments.

Some of the games included "Sneak, Take, Steal," a game where students needed to answer math questions in order to get closer to a treasure; "Strategic Stackers," a game similar to Jenga where students stacked blocks and that incorporated math concepts; and "Freestyle Math Olympics," where students had to choose the most efficient route down a mountain to race to the finish line.

Meanwhile, the 8th grade students in **Krystal White** and **Lev Guter's** 8th Grade Accelerated Math classes participated in interactive activities to explore statistics. While studying how to represent data using scatter plots and lines of best fit, the students engaged in data collection labs. One experiment involved dropping water balloons, tethered to rubber bands, from a set point and recording the distance the balloon dropped with an

increasing number of rubber bands. Reportedly, there was only one casualty—a busted water balloon! Other experiments measured how many pennies it took to break a paper bridge, and a third measured how many jumping jacks a student can complete in three minutes.

"Data collection and statistical analysis allow students to experience math in real-life ways. Real-life math is messy. The numbers don't come out quite in the way you had predicted, answers are rarely whole numbers, and often the answers you get spark more questions," said Ms. White. "Having the students consider the variables, conduct their own labs, collect the data, represent the data and analyze the results are inherently more challenging tasks than using pre-prepared data that a textbook would provide."

In addition, 8th grade students concluded their statistics unit by collecting and analyzing data of their own choosing. For instance, students tried to answer the questions "Does an apple a day really keep the doctor away?" and "Does the length of a Reddit username impact the individual's Reddit karma?" and "How does the height of a drop affect whether a bottle lands upright?"

Ms. White shared, "Providing students the creative choice to apply their skills in whatever interests them had diverse and interesting results for the whole class to experience."



# Honoring Faculty Excellence

The annual Faculty Awards Ceremony honors, promotes and celebrates great teaching and recognizes the outstanding work and tireless dedication of our MICDS faculty. "Each and every day you help children become their best selves," said Head of School **Lisa Lyle** before announcing the recipients.

The School is able to present summer sabbaticals, fellowships, merit awards and Chairs of Distinguished Teaching because of the generosity of alumni and friends who value their experiences at Mary Institute, St. Louis Country Day School and MICDS. Congratulations to the 2018 honorees!



Head of Lower School Janet McMillion congratulates Christy Moore on her Sears Foundation Faculty Merit Award



The faculty recipients snap a photo after the recognition ceremony.

## Summer Sabbaticals and Fellowships

**Edward M. Rivinus Summer Sabbatical Mary Institute Class of 1957 Faculty Development Fund**

Tanya Roth

**Wilma and Roswell Messing Jr. '34 Summer Sabbatical**

Marshall McCurties

**Thomas Family Fellowship**

Mark Duvall

**Polk Family Summer Sabbatical Fellowship for the Teaching of English**

Chris Rappleye

**Carol B. and Jerome T. Loeb Fund for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics**

Tim Canavan

Dustin Delfin

Lev Guter

Krystal White

(These recipients will be joined by other faculty for the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics conference)

## Merit Awards

**Mary Institute Class of 1940 Annual Faculty Award**

Robin Campbell

**Country Day School Class of 1958 "Extra Effort" Award**

Ben Krueger

Branson Lawrence

Ines Shultz

Soledad Villagomez

**Dorothy Wray Roberts '17 Faculty Merit Award**

Bridget Wallace

**Sears Foundation Faculty Merit Award**

Janet Purdy

Christy Moore

## Chairs of Distinguished Teaching

**Albert G. Blanke Jr. '28 Chair of Distinguished Teaching**

Christine Mayer

**Class of 1968 Chair of Distinguished Teaching**

Nolan Clarke

**Eugene A. Hecker Chair of Distinguished Teaching in Humanities**

Christopher Barker

**Ronald A. Holtman '70 Chair of Distinguished Teaching and Coaching**

Stacey Morgan

**John R. Johnson Jr. Chair of Distinguished Teaching**

Greg Huntoon

**Craig E. Jones Chair of Distinguished Teaching**

Brad Schaefer

**Ethan A. H. Shepley '41 Chair of Distinguished Teaching in English and Composition**

David Terrell

**Harriet Baur Spoehrer '24 Chair of Distinguished Teaching**

Chris Brennan

**Marjorie Weisenburger '32 Chair of Distinguished Teaching in Fine Arts**

Barbara Spieler

**Ronald S. Beasley Chair of Distinguished Teaching and Learning**

Krystal White

**Robert P. Hughes Chair of Distinguished Teaching and Coaching**

Jack Fischer

25  
YEARS



From left: Duane Biggerstaff and Becky Young (not pictured, Ann Matteson).

## Faculty and Staff Celebrate Milestones and Awards

The final All-School assembly of the 2017-2018 school year took place on April 24 in McDonnell Athletic Center. Students expressed their appreciation for faculty and staff through creative videos and activities, and the School honored those individuals celebrating milestone employment anniversaries of 25, 20, 15 and 10 years. Twelfth graders also presented the Rivinus Award to **Paul Zahller**, and 8th graders honored **Jason Roberts** with the Duncan Award.



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YEARS



From left: Jen Schuckman and Josh Smith (not pictured, Melissa Brouillette).

15  
YEARS



From left: Anne Williamson and Avdo Siljkovic (not pictured, David Terrell and Donald Thomas).

10  
YEARS



Front row (from left): Karen Wildman, Samantha White, Erin Hamill, Stacie Schneider and Ginny Otto. Second row (from left): Andy Kay, Amy Scheer, Erica Moore, Chris Militello, Rachel Tourais, Barbara Spieler, Janet Purdy and Aaron Elliott (not pictured, Jeff Barker and Carla Federman).

Robyn Williams converses with Taaj Saddler '25 during a break between class presentations.



#### MORE THAN A VEGETABLE:

## How the Teaching Apprenticeship Program brought a Squash Coach and Created a Teacher

None of them knew how to play squash. Some didn't even know it was a sport. Before they joined then-teaching apprentice **Robyn Williams'** advisory, the nine sixth grade girls' feelings toward squash were best summed up by one of the advisees, **Mia Schroeder '18**: "Squash is a vegetable."

But Williams wanted to get to know her new advisees when she started at MICDS, so she took the girls out for a picnic and a day of teaching the sport she loves. The lessons were a huge success because now Schroeder and fellow advisory member **Constanza Gonzalez-Navarrine '18** are co-captains of the MICDS Girls Squash team, which just placed 2nd at nationals.

That success would not have been possible without the Teacher Apprenticeship Program that brought Williams, a young squash player fresh out of Trinity College, to MICDS to begin her teaching career seven years ago.

Williams grew up in Zimbabwe, playing squash, tennis and field hockey while hoping to come Stateside to continue her career in college. Eventually, she was recruited by Trinity to play all three

sports. While there, Williams realized that she loved coaching and working with kids, so she began looking for teaching positions post-graduation.

"When I was offered the apprentice teaching position here, I had been offered some positions on the East Coast too, [but] I thought to myself, 'Well I don't know anything about teaching,'" Williams said of her job search process. "It was the most obvious choice for me to come to MICDS and be paired with a mentor teacher and have a hands-on learning experience without the pressure of having to teach."

Williams spent her first year shadowing teachers **CB Pinkerton** and **Mark Duvall** in the Middle School, asking questions and taking notes. It wasn't until after winter break that Williams first taught a class of her own.

Through that observation, Williams learned, not only tangible skills like grading and putting extra attention toward students who may not pick up material as quickly, but also the intangibles necessary to make it through the year.

### Quick Facts

**The Teaching Apprentice program** is one of two endowments that support Faculty Excellence and a key funding priority of our Bold Action Campaign

**Gifts to the Teaching Apprentice Endowment** support salaries, benefits, training, professional development and mentoring costs

**The Teaching Apprentice program** helps MICDS directly support a priority of our current strategic plan: Great Teaching and Learning 2.0



*“A lot of patience and a lot of humor and being flexible—if you have those things, then you’ll make it,” Williams recalls with a laugh.*

Now in her seventh year at MICDS, Williams has been honored as a Chair of Distinguished Teaching at our School, a three-year appointment given to exemplary members of the faculty. Another recipient, **Marshall McCurties**, also came to MICDS through the Teacher Apprenticeship program.

Because of the success of Williams, McCurties and other program alums, Assistant Head of School **Brian Thomas** has begun thinking about how to expand the program. Currently, one teaching apprentice joins the school every other year, but in Thomas’ vision, a cohort of six to 10 apprentices could join the school every year. This potential program would last two years and give young aspiring teachers hands-on experience in the classroom as well as the opportunity to

earn a master’s degree in education from an institution of higher learning partner, like Washington University in St. Louis.

A program like that would allow young people to avoid the catch-22 of not having experience but needing it to get a job. It would also create a system of potential hires for MICDS to pull from should an opening become available. According to Thomas, “we’re always looking for talented people who might be able to fill a certain niche that we might have, whether it be teaching or non-teaching.”

But while Thomas’ vision waits to come to fruition, the Teaching Apprenticeship Program still creates excellent teachers for MICDS. Williams, for one, finds pride in her award, not just as a personal honor, but also as a way to express her gratitude to the school.

“It felt more like MICDS got a return on their investment,” Williams said. “They had taken a chance on me and given me that apprenticeship program, and then helped me grow into a teacher that they could be proud of.”

The true measure of a good teacher never comes from awards or honors though — it comes from the impact the teacher has on her students. And according to Mia Schroeder, no one has been more influential than Williams.

“When I think about my time here at MICDS and the teachers I most respect or had the most fun with or the learned the most from, it’s Ms. Williams,” Schroeder said. “I don’t know if I would be the same person that I am today without her.”





## A Fun-Filled Year's End

The past few weeks at School were full of exciting activities for Lower School, Middle School and Upper School students! With some spring days finally sneaking into the weather pattern, students enjoyed many a game out in the sunshine, complete with treats like Ted Drewes Frozen Custard.

Natasha Wells '26 engages in fierce competition during games in the MAC.



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## Lower School Reading, Writing and Running, Too!

In the Lower School, students enjoyed mixing reading, writing and running in a special Beasley tradition. The Beasles were excited to show their parents their creative, literary and physical achievements. After a picnic lunch, students spent the afternoon sharing their original writing and favorite books. The event was capped off with a parade during the Lower School Field Day in the McDonnell Athletic Center.

Hannah Terry '31 reads to her mother Christina during Lower School Reading, Writing and Running, Too.

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## Middle School Spring Fling

Middle School students enjoyed an activity-filled Spring Fling. They tackled two inflatable obstacle courses where students climbed and played along with their classmates. Students played putt-putt golf, giant Jenga and other yard games along with Frisbee, football tosses and capture the flag. At first, some students weren't sure what "Spring Fling" would be, but they ended the day looking forward to the next one!

Drake Noonan '25 and Zephan Harrell '25 have a ball at Middle School Spring Fling.

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## Upper School Field Day

Competition and teamwork were fierce during the Upper School Field Day. It was the perfect day to be outside, and Upper School students made some wonderful memories—from creating human pyramids and playing giant Jenga to competing in burlap sack races and volleyball games!



Ella Durrill '21 enjoys the sunshine during Upper School Field Day.

*Upper School,  
Then the World!*

## MICDS Class of 2018

# Celebrating Commencement

There was an extra spring in everyone's step in mid-May as the Class of 2018 celebrated Commencement. Students lined the MAC in their coats, ties and white gowns and proceeded to the front stage, as Head of School **Lisa Lyle** welcomed and congratulated them. The graduating class also heard from Board Chairman **Bill Polk '74**, President of the Alumni Association **Tracy Kaye Jasper '86** and Dean of the Class of 2018 **Daniel George**. This year's chosen class speaker was **Michael Emami '18**, and **Paul Zahller** served as the Commencement speaker.

Emami charged his class with these words: "You are being set free to change this world into a beautiful and better place. This country needs you, this country deserves you. You are loving, compassionate, beautiful people who need to boldly go and fight for what is good and right. Our mission statement has encouraged us to abide by this standard, but now it is your job to uphold it and show the world that YOU are a graduate of MICDS!"

Zahller also shared encouraging words when he said, "Graduates of the class of 2018, I urge you to expose yourself to heartbreak. Seek out hunger, pain, poverty, injustice and discrimination. Let compassion become the driving force for your vision. The issues of our world may be complex, but they are not insurmountable. They require men and women whose compassion give them the courage to strap the plow to their shoulders and tirelessly furrow the field by alone if necessary. Use what you have acquired at MICDS, but champion lives of purpose and service because of the compassion in your heart."

The Class of 2018 is heading off to some incredible colleges and universities! Check out the College Matriculation list to learn where they will study next year on [PAGE 25 >>](#)

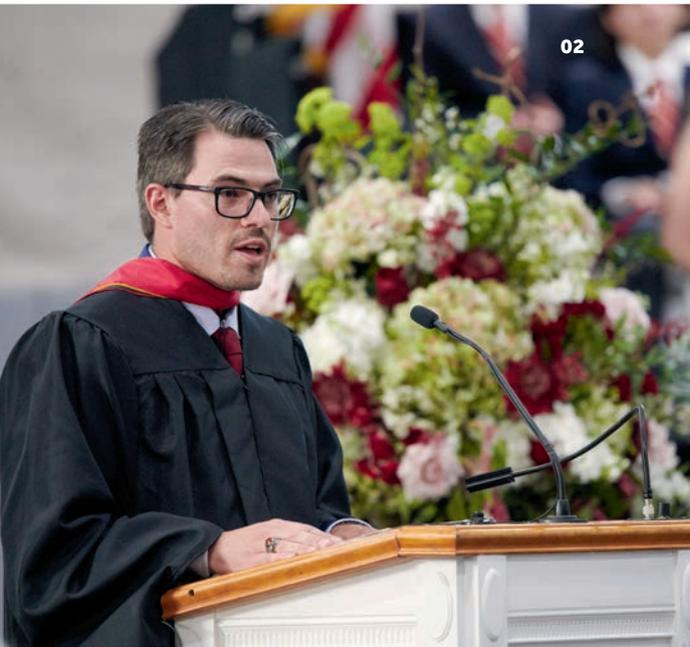




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01. Salutatorian Alex Donovan, Valedictorian Jacqueline Zoeller, Lisa Lyle and Valedictorian Nick Jones.
02. Paul Zahlner gives an empowering speech.
03. Members of the Class of 2018 gather in front of Olson Hall before making their way to the MAC.
04. Tierra Bobo, Landys Hughes, Jordyn Brooks, Cara Johnson and Erica Jones show off their diplomas.

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05. Lisa Lyle addresses the Class of 2018.

06. A group of graduates gathers outside Olson Hall before heading to the MAC.

07. Quinn Catolos celebrates graduation draped in florals.

08. Valedictorian Jacqueline Zoeller uses graduation to celebrate her Native American heritage, as she shows off a pair of boots that were passed down to her from previous generations.

# College Matriculation List

College Name Number of Students Attending

## A

American University	2
Arizona State University	2

## B

Babson College	1
Boston College	1
Boston University	3

## C

Carnegie Mellon University	2
Central Michigan University	1
Colby College	1
Colgate University	1
College of William & Mary	2
Cornell University	2

## D

Denison University	1
DePaul University	2
DePauw University	3
Dickinson College	1
Drake University	1

## E

École hôtelière de Lausanne	1
Elon University	2
Emerson College	1
Emory University	1

## F

Fordham University	1
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## G

Georgetown University	1
Grinnell College	2

## H

Hamilton College	1
Harvard University	1

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Indiana University Bloomington	3
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## L

Lehigh University	1
Loyola Marymount University	1
Loyola University Chicago	1
Loyola University New Orleans	1

## M

McKendree University	1
Miami University, Oxford	4
Middlebury College	1

## N

New York University	1
Northwestern University	2

## O

Occidental College	1
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## P

Post-Graduate Year	2
Purdue University	1

## R

Rhodes College	1
Rice University	1

## S

Saint Louis University	5
San Diego State University	1
Southern Methodist University	8
Stanford University	1
Syracuse University	1

## T

Texas Christian University	9
The George Washington University	2
The Ohio State University	1
The University of Arizona	3
The University of Edinburgh	1
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	2
Tufts University	1
Tulane University	3

## U

United States Military Academy - West Point	1
United States Naval Academy	1
University of California, Berkeley	1
University of California, Los Angeles	1
University of California, Santa Barbara	1
University of California, Santa Cruz	1
University of Chicago	1
University of Colorado Boulder	3
University of Denver	2
University of Georgia	1
University of Kansas	1
University of Miami	5
University of Michigan	1
University of Mississippi	3
University of Missouri, Columbia	6
University of Missouri, Kansas City	1
University of Nebraska - Lincoln	1
University of Notre Dame	2
University of Pennsylvania	2
University of Richmond	2
University of Southern California	4
University of Tulsa	2
University of Vermont	2
University of Wisconsin - Madison	2

## V

Vanderbilt University	1
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## W

Washington College	1
Washington University in St. Louis	9
Wesleyan University	2

## X

Xavier University	1
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## Y

Yale University	1
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## A Beautiful May Day

On May 5, Seniors, Juniors, 8th and 4th graders performed beautiful dances on Lilly's Field in the annual May Day celebration. Fourth graders performed to "Divertimento No. 11 in D Major, k.251" by W.A. Mozart, and 8th graders danced to Takako Nishizaki's "Lift Your Veil." The Junior girls presented the Daisy Chain accompanied by "Carillon from L'Arlesienne Suite No. 1" by Georges Bizet. Seniors wove the May Pole to the music of Fantasia on "Greensleeves."

This year, the Class of 2018 chose **Kayla Work '18** as its May Queen. In keeping with the MICDS Mission, the girls requested that gifts be made in their honor to a charitable organization, and this year they chose St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Even Ellie got into the May Day spirit!



01. Kayla Work '18 is crowned this year's May Queen.
02. Juniors present the Daisy Chain.
03. Eighth graders provide a colorful performance of "Lift Your Veil."
04. Fourth graders perform "Divertimento No. 11 in D Major, k.251."





*A long-held tradition!*

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Heru Bey '27 leads the Beasley Chorus during one of their pieces.

## Beasley Chorus Does it Again!

The Beasley Chorus was excited to perform their annual Spring Concert in front of fellow students and parents. As usual, the Beasley Studio was bursting with activity, between percussion instruments, ribbons, clapping, singing, hand movements and more. What a great way to celebrate music and the spring season!



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Spring Pops performers rock the crowd with popular covers.

## Spring Pops Raises Awareness

The Spring Pops concert was another hit this year, and not just because of the outstanding performance. Within the medley of songs, the MICDS Chamber Choir performed "Africa," by Toto to bring attention to the water crisis in Africa and partnered with ShoeCrew Water Projects to raise funds for water points in developing countries.

In addition to collecting financial donations at each concert, the choirs brought in gently used shoes to donate to ShoeCrew. ShoeCrew works with exporters who purchase the shoes in bulk, thus creating the funds to support water projects. They are also able to gather about 25 tons of shoes out of local landfills and distribute shoes back into the community through partnerships with other non-profits.



Agnes (Mimi Brown '21) learns many things about her late little sister Tillie (Athena Tharenos '20) by playing a Dungeons and Dragons game, including the fact that Tillie was a fierce monster slayer.

# Ninth and 10th Graders Perform *She Kills Monsters*

The 9th and 10th graders performed dramatic comedy *She Kills Monsters* in Price Theatre this spring. With full houses for all three shows and incredible audiences, the weekend at the theatre was a big success! A round of applause goes to all of the students involved, including set designer and graduating senior, **Kaylie Carpenter '18**.

When describing the play, Upper School Drama Teacher and Director **Patrick Huber**, said "Think *Stranger Things* meets *Jumanji*."

The story is set in 1995 in the small town of Athens, Ohio. Agnes (**Mimi Brown '21**), a young high school English teacher, loses her entire family in a car accident—including her little sister Tilly (**Athena Tharenos '20**). While packing up her sister's belongings, she finds a binder full of strange writings that turn out to be a *Dungeons and Dragons*-style game that Tilly created and left behind. With the help of a high school game geek named Chuck (**Charles Huber '20**), she plays the game and interacts with Tilly and her party (**Hope Pohlman '20**, **Dilyn Halverson '21** and **Max Novak '21**) and learns about her sister and herself. **Nick Clifford '20**, **Mereya Riopedre '20**, **Hayden Benbenek '21**, **Hollis Summers '21** and **Morgan Schafer '21** rounded out the ensemble.

Huber shared, "The cast and crew had the wonderful experience of taking a risk and having it pay off by telling a story that touched a lot of hearts."





The Middle Schoolers showcased an impressive list of Broadway hits during their Spring Concert.

## Middle School Choir Wows the Crowd at Spring Concert

The Middle Schoolers certainly "Seized the Day" (a song from *Newsies*) at the annual spring Middle School choir concert as they performed beloved Broadway hits. The classes of 2022 and 2023 provided non-stop, toe-tapping joy through renditions of *The Lion King's* "Circle of Life," *Annie's* "It's a Hard Knock Life," *The Wizard of Oz's* "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," *Hairspray's* "You Can't Stop the Beat" and so much more.

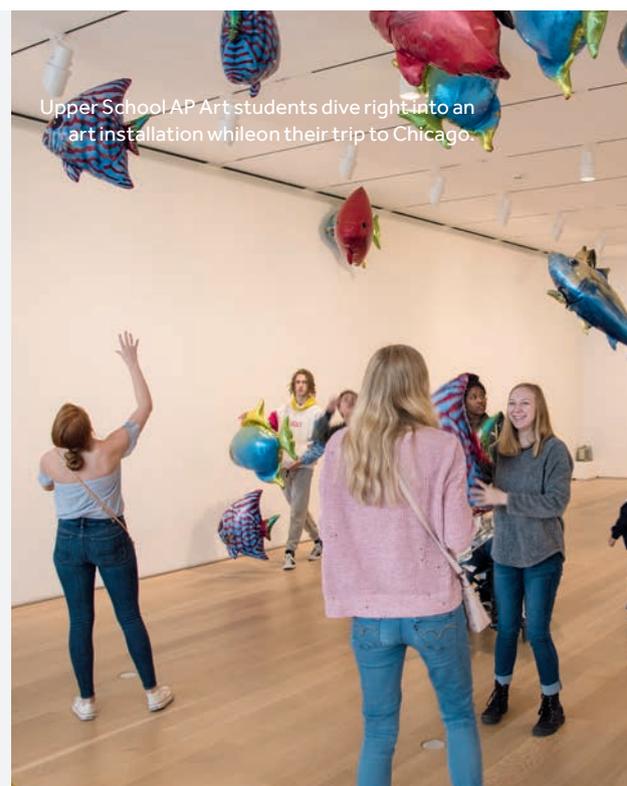
"I am so proud of the work the Middle School Choirs put into their spring concert this year, A Broadway Safari. The music was challenging, the choreography was fun and the joy was abundant as we learned this music. I often say to the choirs, 'Sing meanings, not words,' and this concert was a living example of that," said Middle School Choir Director **Jason Roberts**. "I'm proud and honored to be their director. They've set the bar high for years to come and I am so looking forward to making music with them next year!"



## Exploring Art in Chicago

Upper School AP Art History and AP Studio Art students embarked on an intensive three-day trip to Chicago, where they visited the Art Institute, the Museum of Contemporary Art and the Oriental Institute, among others. It was a whirlwind tour of the Windy City, and the students returned to campus with some great insights and new perspectives.

"As an artist and a student of art history, the trip was invaluable in bringing my art history education to life. It's one thing to study images from a computer screen, it's another to see them in real life and be able to experience the art and the cultures of those who made it. I learned so much about how to consume and fully appreciate art, especially from cultures I don't fully understand yet," **Sofia Carr '18** said.



Upper School AP Art students dive right into an art installation while on their trip to Chicago.

"We are stories. Every moment we live, we are a story."

— DEBORAH WILES



**Deborah Wiles,**  
Award-winning author

Award-winning author Deborah Wiles visited the Middle School this spring and spoke with students about how they can use their lived experiences to create their own stories. While on campus, she also led 5th and 6th graders through a writing workshop where they used the five senses to describe a moment of time in their day. Wiles is the author of *Love, Ruby Lavender* and *Each Little Bird That Sings*, a 2005 National Book Award finalist. She lives in Atlanta, Georgia, with her husband, jazz pianist Jim Pearce.





In most high schools, if you put six students in a room and ask them to talk broadly about their education, you'll get six short replies before needing to ask a new question. But if you put six MICDS students in room and ask them to talk about their humanities education, you'll get 45 minutes of non-stop reflection, explanation, excitement.

For **Sruthi Sripada '18, Mary Moore '18, Hopie Melton '18, Nick Jones '18, Campbell Schaefer '18 and Leigh Dennis '18**, the humanities have been the bedrock of their secondary school education. Even though each of the six recent graduates have varied pursuits — from Sripada's medical future to Moore's literary hopes; Schaefer's passion for history to Dennis' love of technology — all were quick to agree on one sentiment: The humanities taught them how to be human.

"Being able to think and to talk to people and to listen — those are the most important things about being a person," Melton said as she explained what the students meant by "human."

To develop those qualities, their humanities classes focused on building tangible skills — reading, writing, public speaking, research and visual literacy — while also cultivating necessary intangibles, such as confidence and empathy. And, according to a large percentage of young MICDS alumni/ae, these are the

# The Humanities at MICDS

**Wes Jenkins**

- 01. Lisa Lyle (and Ellie) share their love of literacy with 1st graders.
- 02. Tex Tourais engages students in thoughtful discussion as he develops meaningful teacher-student relationships.



skills that set them apart in the college setting and beyond. They are the skills many say they need to become successful, both professionally and personally, in the 21st century.

“At MICDS, they really teach you how to write. I was extremely prepared when I got to college,” said **Sam Erwin '17**. **Noah Siegel '17** added, “MICDS taught me not just to learn the material, but how to learn the material.” Finally, **Cameron Macones '17** reflected, “The big thing is collaboration...learning how to work with others. It seems like a lot of people coming from other schools just don't know those skills.”

The humanities at MICDS gave each of these recent graduates a variety of tools to add to their toolset, though none of these tools were acquired in their senior year alone. The dynamic lessons and cutting-edge projects that teach students how to communicate, collaborate, connect and be human thread throughout all divisions and across the English and History curricula, beginning in Lower School.

## Small Scale, Big Foundations

### *Lower School Project-Based Learning*

To kick off the 2nd Grade Civic Responsibility Project, teacher **Kristen Kaiser** turns to the Internet—specifically, video creator Kid President. A small boy, no more than six years old, Kid President stands behind a stately desk adorned with a crayon-drawn Presidential seal. He makes videos for kids about how to change the world despite their young age. In the one Kaiser shows her class, Kid President tells the students, “The world is changed by ordinary people. Little people living out big love.”

This small, but important, idea guides the students as they work with another member of their class to identify and execute a plan to help their community.

This civic responsibility project supports and deepens what Kaiser believes is the mission of Lower School social studies.

“We hope to teach them to be kind, respectful people that contribute to their community and eventually to the world,” Kaiser said. Even though her students are only seven or eight years old, Kaiser does not believe their age prevents them from changing the world — it just necessitates a smaller scale.

In order for the 2nd graders to complete the project, they must go through five stages: First, identify and research a potential issue in their community. Second, draft a written report about their research. Third, put together and execute a plan to address the issue. Fourth, present what they learned and what action they took. Finally, reflect on what they had accomplished.

“[The project] takes collaboration, communication, critical thinking, compromise — all of those skills that will serve them well,” Kaiser explained.

One past project Kaiser recalls included two students who wanted to help the environment by decreasing the number of littered cigarette butts. After completing their research, the students connected with Charter Communications and installed a cigarette butt collector in their break



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room with a sign explaining the project. After a couple of weeks, one of the company's employees called MICDS, shocked and delighted that 2nd graders could have executed all of that, from start to finish.

While that reaction doesn't always occur, Kaiser recognizes how important that kind of positive reinforcement can be for students.

*"If you try something and you feel good about it and made a difference, the chances of you trying again are much higher," she said.*

## Giving Voice to Your Narrative

### *Middle School Personal Essays and Perspectives*

Like many Middle Schoolers, **Aariz Ahmad's '22** trivial worries often include losing an opportunity to play his video games because of spotty WiFi, homework or both. At least, that's how Aariz felt before he went to Bangladesh with his family to give medical aid to Rohingya refugees. That experience, which angered, saddened and ultimately inspired Aariz, was the focus of the end-of-year personal essay he wrote in **Andy Kay's** 8th Grade English class.

"If I was annoyed that I had to do homework, then my mind would automatically go back to the camp and think about the pharmacist who had to camp outside of a food distribution center multiple times a week, sometimes multiple times a day, to get his meal," Aariz wrote. "I'm sure he wouldn't mind doing some homework instead of waiting in a four-hour line."

While the personal narrative certainly represents a culmination of the writing and presentation skills the students have been working on throughout Middle School, it is also meant to spark a maturation of the self.

"The theme of 8th grade as a whole is becoming a young adult, and we believe it is our responsibility as English teachers to help students find a voice," Mr. Kay said.

And for a student like Aariz, that's exactly what happened. In fact, after Aariz finished his personal essay for Mr. Kay's class, he was invited to share the essay in front of both his peers and MICDS parents during a Parents Association Passport Series event to raise awareness about the Rohingya Refugee Crisis. During the event, Aariz, along with his parents and siblings, also shared a compelling video they created about their experience.

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One MICDS parent said, “This was extremely moving. I had never heard of the crisis happening in that part of the world, and now I feel much more educated and compelled to do something.”

That sentiment is what MICDS humanities faculty members hope for when they give students an assignment—that it doesn’t just fulfill a requirement, but rather it inspires students to take an out-of-classroom experience, process it through written and verbal communication, utilize it to understand who they are as human beings and, in turn, become compassionate leaders who will speak and stand up for what is good and right, as well as persuade others to want to do the same.

Learning these skills—empathy, compassion, leadership, argumentation and communication—may sound like a lot to ask of Middle School students. But according to Kay, it happens every year at MICDS.

“By the end of 8th grade, they welcome a new version of themselves, ready to meet the challenges of high school and the world that awaits them,” Mr. Kay said.

At MICDS, shaping one’s understanding of self starts long before attempting to craft a personal narrative. From 5th grade to the end of 8th, each assignment

and course—equally deliberate and intentional—builds on the next, allowing students to develop important skills through innovative teaching and learning and strong teacher-student relationships.

For example, in **Grace Barlow’s** 7th grade history class, students finish the year by writing a well-researched essay on World War II. Barlow remembers one student in particular who was struggling with his introductory paragraphs. Discouraged but determined, he came to her for assistance. For ten minutes, Barlow let the student talk through his struggles while she typed a transcript of his thoughts. Barlow remembers that, as he talked, she could see the gears begin to turn.

“I saw the confidence build in him in a way I hadn’t seen before that meeting,” Barlow said. “It was exciting—and extremely gratifying—to see how much he had grown since September.”

This growth of foundational skills is central to the transformation of the student’s voice and understanding of

03. Christine Moser '18 gives her presentation for Global Action Project, a 12th grade English elective that leverages the study of nonfiction to examine the challenges facing the world today. In teams, students create a final project that summarizes the challenge and how they propose to effect sustainable change.
04. 5th graders explore the historic discovery of King Tut at the Science Center’s fall exhibit, where they learned about the culture of ancient Egypt, examined reconstructions of important artifacts and surveyed a recreation of the excavation site.
05. Aariz Ahmad '22 looks on as his father presents to MICDS parents the documentary they created about the Rohingya Refugee crisis.
06. A Lt. Cliff Smith gives real-life testimonies and new perspectives to Middle Schoolers.



him or herself. But also necessary for that maturation is the development of an empathetic worldview.

“We’re seeking to make empathetic people,” Barlow said. “Even if they end up going down a math/science road... how can [they] look at that patient, not as patient No. 001, [but] as a person with a name and story.”

For a student like Aariz, that sentiment may ring especially true as he helped administer medical treatment in a refugee camp. For example, he retells one story from his trip about a woman with diphtheria. He writes that, to many, she could have just been the booklet of symptoms. But Aariz remembers something different. He tells of how his dad greeted the woman, smiling at her and approaching her with kindness, not just as another patient to treat. It makes sense, then, that Aariz ended his essay with a reflection on the golden rule: “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.”

## Perspectives of Global Citizens

### Upper School Action and Community Participation

Having a solid foundation in the humanities through their Lower and Middle School experiences, Upper School MICDS students focus on applying their skills as they focus on two important themes: narrative and perspective. By the time students graduate, they understand these central themes and have honed a sense of self, fully adept with tools to understand the world, argue their views and adapt to whatever field they choose to enter.

Teaching these themes can often prove difficult, though, as each is more amorphous than writing an essay or researching an event. But that doesn't stop 11th Grade English Teacher **Tex**

**Tourais**, who uses the board game Clue to explain how he approaches the idea of narrative.

"Because of the narrative—a detective in an ominous old house where someone was murdered—we can immerse in a game that's really more about a process of elimination," Tourais said. In other words, by teaching his students five key skills (reading, writing, public speaking, research and visual literacy), Tourais attempts to show how narratives and context define our citizenry.

**Mary Moore '18** was quick to advocate for this approach and how much it helps with understanding. "You're going to understand the stakes so much more if you understand the context" she said. "Context means everything."

With narrative and context comes perspective, and more specifically, how perspective shapes the way the story

is told. To illustrate this, JK-12 History Department Chair **Carla Federman** asks her students "who is the one telling the story?" a question that often impacts the way Federman's students approach their other studies.

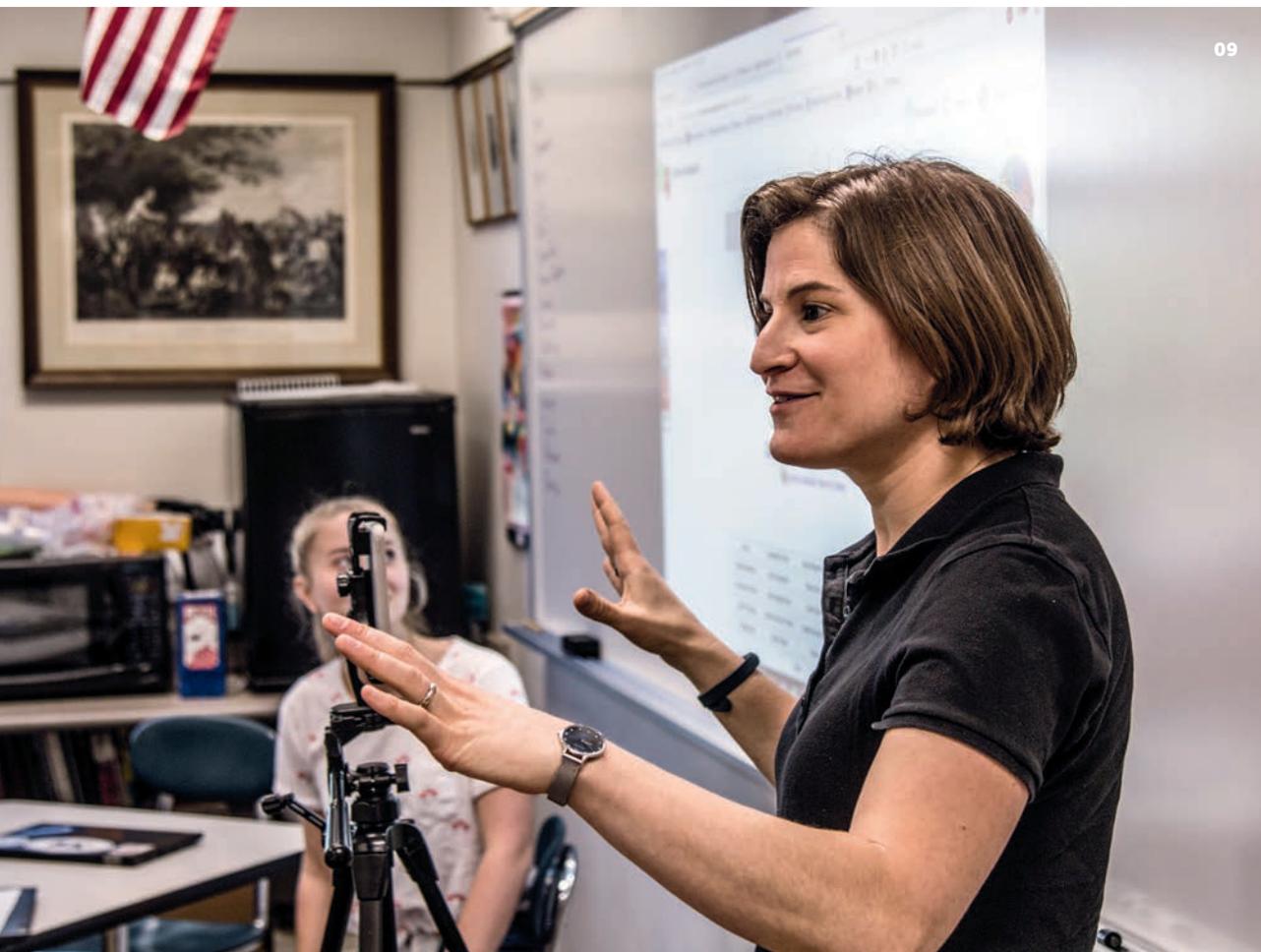
*"I live by that," Sruthi Sripada '18 said. "Everything I do comes back to that question: Looking at another person's perspective."*

Both narrative and perspective play a critical role in one of the largest projects MICDS students must undertake: The 11th Grade Regional Resilience Research Project (3RP). Much like the civic responsibility project in the 2nd Grade, 3RP seeks to get students involved in the community by identifying an issue of resiliency and forming a solution—except it all happens at a much larger scale.

"If we say we teach reading, writing, public speaking, research, and then visual and media literacy, 3RP is the class where the rubber hits the road," Tourais said. "[It] requires students to have high level skills across the board in all five of those strands, and...it's an attempt to leverage their own interests in order to create engagement."

The project forces students to demonstrate they have mastered the core skills of the humanities while also showing they have developed their own self enough to care deeply about a





- 07. Tessa McNally '30, Samir Daud '30 and Kit Curtis '30 learn about Native American history and culture during a hands-on lesson.
- 08. Bjorn Sjogren '22 makes a strong case during Mock Congress in 8th Grade American Government.
- 09. Carla Federman explains the goal of the 1-minute presentation in her AP History Class. Students had one minute to present their positions on a current political issue, part of a larger project where they were asked to research a political topic as well as write a white paper and a letter to their congresspeople.

specific issue. It's the final test to prove they are global citizens ready to meet the challenges of this world with confidence.

How those skills and emotional lessons manifest in each student varies. For example, **Leigh Dennis '18** learned to be innovative in her problem solving. **Hopie Melton '18** learned to not only hold opinions, but to listen to others and to reframe her opinions to be more sound. And Sripada learned how "to be the best kind of doctor that I can be." Because of the humanities, each of them is prepared to enter an ever-evolving world and to approach it with questioning, understanding and, most of all, empathy.

*Building a Foundation for Success After Graduation*

If there's any recurring sentiment MICDS students hear from recent graduates, it's this: MICDS teaches you how to think critically and communicate effectively. All six of the seniors had heard it, other

alums have commented on it, and those tools are a direct result of a solid foundation in the humanities.

Young alumna **Louisa Goldman '17**, a pre-med student majoring in American Studies with a minor in creative writing, took the praise a step further when she said, "MICDS gave me that courage, those tools that I knew I had in my toolset, to be able to handle all those different disciplines."

And while those humanities skills translate seamlessly to a college setting, they also make students more attractive to future employers. Mr. Tourais made that clear when he posed the rhetorical question, "What high-level job does not require public speaking?" With a modern age steeped in social media, communication, interpersonal relationships and visual literacy are all vital skills for the modern workforce.

Alumna **Kierra Graves '17** credits MICDS for teaching her all three of those skills, acknowledging that she came to the school shy and reserved but left with the confidence to engage with her professors despite the large class sizes of college.

She shared, "MICDS taught me how to be a self-advocate—to have those interpersonal relationships, have important conversations with people, and have it come naturally now...I'm better prepared for that because of my education at MICDS."

Confidence and compassion, critical skills and the resolve to stand for that is right and good — these are the values inherent to the MICDS Mission, and these are the values inherent to our students' humanities education.



#RamNation

GO RAMS!

# Rams Rewind

SPRING SPORTS SEASON RECAPS



## Boys Baseball

### 8-Game Winning Streak

The 2018 Rams were able to pull out an upset victory in the District Semifinal to move onto the District Championship, but with a loss to John Burroughs School, their season ended, leaving the team with a 12-12 record. The season was highlighted by an eight-game winning streak that included wins over Parkway South and Columbia-Battle. Four Rams received recognition for their contributions this season, led on the mound by **Gray Senn '19** (2nd Team All-Conference Pitcher) and **Gus Pulos '20** (Honorable Mention All-Conference Pitcher) and in the field by **Michael Long '19** (1st Team All-Conference Catcher) and **Wilson Graves '18** (2nd Team All-Conference Infielder). In 2019, the Rams will return all but one player from the roster.

## Cycling

### Young Team/Strong Individual Achievements

With the addition of eight freshmen to the team, Varsity Cycling was forced to go through a major overhaul. The team was lead by the small returning crew of **Kellen von Hoven '18**, **Morgan Schafer '19** and **Nick Clifford '19**, all of whom were instrumental in guiding the young team through the season. The solid leadership paid off for younger riders such as **Will Falk '21**, who took third in the final sprint of the O'Fallon Cup in mid-May with assistance from a strong supporting performance by **Jonah Zacks '21**. On the Girls' side, **Fiona Richards '21** found herself on the podium for the second time in the season after a strong 3rd place finish amidst a group of talented veteran riders. The team will look to continue to develop their skills and conditioning in an effort to move up to the top of the podium next year.

## Boys Golf

### District Champions/Strong Individual Achievements

Instead of on vacations or focusing on some non-academic work, the Boys Golf team kicked off their season over Spring Break in Florida at the Orange County National. It was the third annual Spring Break trip for the team and allowed the golfers to play practice rounds while doing some team bonding through activities like paintball. Ultimately, the trip set the tone for a strong season of consistent play from the Rams. Upperclassmen **Sam Hanser '19**, **J.D. Mikula '18**, **Jeff Desloge '19** and **Julian Ball '18** led the team, but young players **Henry Mikula '21** and **Sam Liu '21** also made their mark. While the varsity team compiled a 4-3 record in league play, the JV squad recorded an undefeated season. The team won its sixth consecutive District Championship, with Hanser winning overall. Three golfers qualified for the State Championship (J.D. Mikula, Henry Mikula and Desloge), with Henry Mikula just missing All-State Honors. With only two graduating seniors, the program looks strong for next season and beyond.

# State champs!

Members of the Boys Lacrosse team celebrate their State Championship victory.

PHOTO BY TIM PARKER

## Boys Lacrosse

### State Champions

The 2018 Boys Lacrosse team dominated their in-state competition and rolled to a 13-1 victory over Saint Louis University High School to earn their fifth consecutive State title. The Rams finished the season ranked No. 2 overall in the Midwest, in part because of the leadership from All-American selections **Graham Bundy Jr. '19**, **Thomas Neidringhaus '19**, **Ross Buchman '18** and **Jason Sugavanam '18**. Also anchoring the team were Captains **Ryan Thompson '18** and **Alexander Feldman '18**. The year was defined by a series of historic successes, including the program's first 20-win season (20-2) and a victory over nationally ranked Loyola Academy (Chicago). On the individual level, Bundy Jr. broke the in-state single season points record with 146 pts. The Rams will look forward to extending their 73-game Missouri winning streak as they enter the 2019 season.

# State champs!

Members of the Girls Lacrosse team celebrate their State Championship victory.

## Girls Lacrosse

### State Champions

The MICDS Girls Lacrosse team had another tremendous season, finishing with a 19-2 record and staying undefeated against Missouri competition for the second consecutive year. The Rams held a 288-83 scoring advantage, with 15 wins seeing the Rams outscore their opponents by 10 goals or more. The Rams defeated Marquette in the State Championship 20-7 to bring home their fifth State title in six years. **Mollie Schmid '18** had a stellar year, recording the second most points in state with 66 goals and 45 assists. **Olivia Proctor '19** also had a tremendous season, finishing 4th in State in points with 66 goals and 37 assists. **Jennifer Williams '18** dominated the area in draw controls with 149 total while also contributing 64 goals and 26 assists. Schmid, Proctor and Williams along with **Lou Chalfant '18** were all selected for both First-Team All Metro and the MSLA All-State team. **Brooke Wright '18** was also selected for First-Team All Metro. Williams, Proctor and Chalfant earned even more individual accolades with Williams and Proctor awarded US Lacrosse All-American Honors and Chalfant awarded U.S. Lacrosse All-Academic honors.

## Girls Soccer

### A Hard-Fought Season

For the MICDS Girls Soccer team, a culture of competition and team spirit would be necessary for success. Captains **Delaney Schultz '18**, **Berkeley Bearden '18** and **Izzy Critchfield-Jain '18** rose to the occasion, creating that atmosphere and leading the team to another winning record. Schultz (16 goals, 13 assists) and **Naomi Ferguson '20** (22 goals, 9 assists) paced the team's dynamic attack while Bearden and **Lindsay Parks '18** anchored the defense. The Rams played several of the top teams in the area and held their own during a very difficult schedule, finishing with a 10-9 record. Season highlights include victories over Kirkwood, John Burroughs, Clayton and Parkway Central. Unfortunately, the season came to an end in a hard-fought District match. The soccer program is deeply thankful to the contributions of this graduating class. Not only were they critical for the playoff run last year, but they also have made an incredible impact during their careers.



Lisa Speegle '20 brings the ball up the field during a Girls Soccer home game.

## Boys Tennis

### Erb '21 Clinches Individual State Championship

The 2018 Boys Tennis team had a solid performance this season with an overall record of 10-4. During the season they finished 2nd in the Metro League, 4th at the Tournament of Champions, and 2nd in Districts. They lost 5-4 in the regular season to eventual State Champion John Burroughs, but had a strong 5-4 win against Lindbergh High School, who went on to finish 3rd in Class 2. The highlight of the season was **Evan Erb '21** qualifying for State and eventually winning the Class 1 State Singles title with a pair of wins against Springfield Catholic's Jasan Nayar (7-5, 6-2) in the semifinals and John Burroughs' Rory Sutter (7-6, 6-3) in the finals. It was an incredible run and marks the rare occasion of a freshman winning a State Championship. Erb's feat had not been done at MICDS since 2002 when **Amanda Craddock** won.

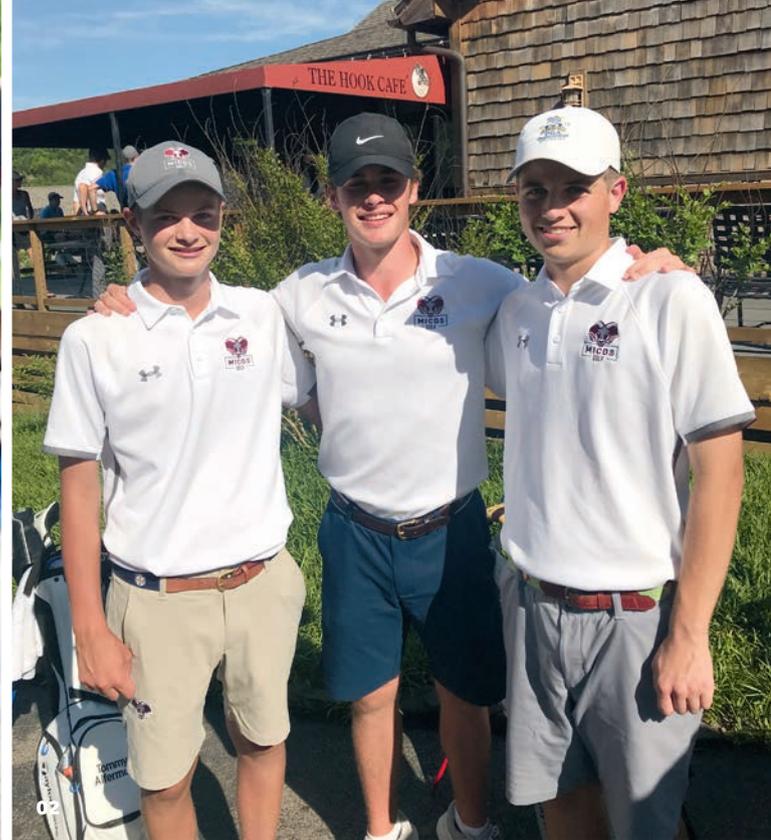


PHOTO BY TIM PARKER

- 01. Danielle Kain '21 and Morgan Schafer '20 hit the road at the O'Fallon Criterium at Fort Zumwalt Park.
- 02. Henry Mikula '21, Jeff Desloge '19 and J.D. Mikula '18 prepare for a round at the State tournament.
- 03. Evan Erb '21 enjoys the top of the podium at the Boys Tennis State Championship.
- 04. Girls Lacrosse raises the trophy high after their State victory.



TRACK AND FIELD PHOTOS BY CANDRA JOHNSON

The Girls Track and Field team celebrates their State Championship, with plenty of individual medals as well.

## Boys Track and Field

### Sutton '19 Clinches Individual State Championship

Sometimes a team's success defines a season, but other times it's a singular player who defines a team. This season epitomized the latter, with **Josh Sutton '19** going on a magical run. Sutton managed to win two State Championships in the 100 meters (10.62) and the 200 meters (21.23). He held the fastest time in both events across all classes in Missouri, making him the fastest high school sprinter in the state. Behind Sutton's leadership, MICDS finished in the top 10 as a team. His 20 points landed the Rams in 9th place overall. The Boys team also finished in 3rd place in the District Championship.



Josh Sutton '19 finds his stride as he competes his way to the State Championship podium.

## Girls Track and Field

### State Champions

The MICDS Girls Track and Field team was MSHSAA Class 4 State Champions, their second State title in three seasons. They also set a record for most points scored at the State Championship for Class 4. The Rams had many individual champions, including **Cara Johnson '18** in the 100 meters, **Jhordin Galmore '19** in both the 200 and 400 meters and **Zionn Pearson '18** in the Long Jump. Johnson broke her own 100 meter school record this season with a 11.96 second time. The Rams also took All-State honors in each relay event. In the 4 x 100 meter relay, **Krystin Holmes '19**, Galmore, Pearson and Johnson set a Class 4 all-time record of 47.20, broke their own school record for the fifth time this season and were State Champions. In the 4 x 200 relay, Holmes, Galmore, Johnson and **Zuri Thomas '18** won the State Championship while also setting a School record of 1:40.62. The 4x800 meter relay team of **Palmer Mihalevich '20**, **Athina Tharenos '20**, **Addison Thomas '18** and **Jacqueline Zoeller '18** earned All-State honors and finished in 7th place overall. In the 4 x 400 meter relay, Mihalevich, Tharenos, Zuri Thomas and Zoeller ran 4:00.27 for a 3rd place finish. Other State Championship highlights included Mihalevich finishing 6th in the 800 meters (2:20.01), Johnson finishing 2nd in the 200 meters (24.71) and Pearson finishing 3rd in the 100 meters (12.43) and 4th in the Triple Jump (36-6). Pearson broke both the Long Jump (19-4-3/4) and Triple Jump (38-11-1/4) school records this season. **Alexis Bellamy '21** (100m hurdles and 300m hurdles) and **Amirah Al-Sagr '18** (pole vault) were also State Qualifiers for the Rams. En route to the State Championship, the MICDS Girls won their 12th consecutive District Championship and were Metro League Champions.

## Water Polo

### Strong Home Opener in New Pool

With a new "home court" in the Stewart Aquatic Center, the Water Polo team started the season in style, beating Chaminade 13-8 to christen the new waters. The win was just the first on the way to a winning season and No. 9-ranked finish for the Rams. During conference play, the Rams went 3-1, taking 2nd place in the Suburban North Conference. For their efforts, two players, **Nick Jones '18** and **Chris Swanson '18**, earned selections to the First Team All-Conference squad.



Rams Water Polo teammates work hard to stay on offense.

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*Congratulations  
Jacqueline!*

Jacqueline Zoeller '18 does her part to help the Girls Track and Field team clinch the State Championship.

## Post-Dispatch Scholar Athlete

**Jacqueline Zoeller '18** was chosen to represent MICDS as a 2018 Post-Dispatch Scholar Athlete. In her time as a student, Jacqueline participated in:

### Track and Field

Helped the 2018 team clinch the State Championship.

### Lacrosse

Member of the State Championship team in 2017 and the runner-up team in 2016.

### Cross Country

Team Captain in 2017 and a State qualifier in 2016.

In addition, Jacqueline was this year's Valedictorian, she was chosen as a National Merit Finalist and has been a three-year class Detur.

Jacqueline is currently studying at Harvard University, and it is clear her education at MICDS played an important role in shaping her future, as she models the MICDS Mission of being a compassionate and responsible citizen of the world.

She said, "I am currently undecided on my career. Being Native American, however, I do hope that whichever career I choose, I am able to affect beneficial change for those who feel under-served. I also plan to travel and see other parts of the world. I think that, in order to be a positive global citizen, I must try whenever I can to learn about other people and cultures."

While at MICDS, Jacqueline was co-head of MICDS Honor Council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes school huddle leader and co-head of Peer Tutors. In the community, she worked at the St. Louis Service Bureau and was a volunteer lacrosse coach for younger girls through 410 West Lacrosse club.



— 2013 - 2018 —

# *Bold Action*

— A CAMPAIGN FOR —

# MICDS

We are deeply grateful to everyone who made a gift to the Bold Action Campaign. Your gifts support teachers who focus on each student and help them grow, educational programs that inspire students to lead lives of discovery and beautiful, state-of-the-art facilities.

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# A Bold End to the Bold Campaign

With the close of the *Bold Action: A Campaign for MICDS*, we are thrilled to announce that our community has contributed \$100 million to the School, substantially exceeding our initial goal of \$65 million, (announced at the public launch of the Campaign in 2013) and our secondary goal of \$90 million (announced in 2015). This officially marks one of the most successful independent Day School campaigns in history, as well as the largest fundraising campaign in the history of Mary Institute, Country Day School and MICDS—and we have YOU to thank. Together, you have advanced our Mission to prepare leaders for lives of purpose and service in ways that we never thought imaginable. Now it's time to celebrate this enormous accomplishment.

In total, over 5,800 donors participated in this historic five-year initiative representing MICDS parents, grandparents, faculty and staff, parents of alumni, alumni from classes 1926 to 2017 and friends of the School. Gifts ranged from one dollar to \$21.5 million.

Your gifts, totaling \$100 million, helped build McDonnell Hall and Brauer Hall, the Steward Family Aquatic Center and William R. Orthwein Sr. Pool, Ron Holtman Stadium, O'Hara Field and Holekamp Stadium. Your gifts also supported the MICDS Annual Fund and endowment funds for Faculty Excellence and Student Access.

We have more to share as we recap and celebrate the Bold Action Campaign throughout the 2018-2019 academic year, so please be on the lookout for more communications and events in the coming months. For now, please hold May 11, 2019, when members from the entire MICDS community will gather at Grant's Farm for a full community celebration. We hope you'll join us!

Thank you, once again, for investing in MICDS and our future. Our record success is reflective of our pride, spirit and character of our dynamic learning community, and a philanthropic legacy that spans more than 150 years. We are grateful for your generosity and your bold commitment to our School and all the students, faculty and staff who come together on our beautiful 100-acre campus. We could not have achieved this without your support, and we look forward to all that is to come as we continue to be national leaders in independent JK-12 education.



\$100  
million

GIFTS RANGED FROM

\$1 - \$21.5 million

IN TOTAL, OVER

5,800

DONORS





648 donors worldwide

TOP 5 CLASSES

#1	#2	#3	#4	#5
1994	2002	2003	1998	2004
61%	41%	38%	34%	32%

MOST IMPROVED CLASSES

#1	#2	#3
1999	2002	2003
+18%	+5%	+2%



24%

Total Participation Across 20 Classes



1994

Longest Winning Streak



406

Rams Loyalty Club Members  
(3+ years of loyal giving)

9,205

Number of Miles the Farthest Gift Traveled



Canberra, Australia



CROWDFUNDING SUCCESSES:

## MICDS Madness and #Givefor25 Gamechangers

MICDS Madness, our annual 8-day giving challenge between the classes of 1994-2013, had another incredible year. These 20 classes came together to achieve 24% participation—over four times the national average for alumni giving participation. Their gifts supported faculty salaries, financial aid, technology, athletics and other initiatives of shared importance to them and the School.

On April 25, we hosted our first ever Giving Day, #Givefor25, where we asked members of the community to make a gift celebrating 25 years since becoming one MICDS and to inspire others to do the same. And in just 25 hours, we reached our goal and secured 251 gifts, raising more than \$110,000 for the School.



251 donors  
worldwide

\$110,591

DONATED

CLASS WITH THE MOST GIFTS

2018  
*Congrats Seniors!*

TOP 3 ALUMNI CLASSES WITH THE MOST GIFTS

#1	#2	#3
1993	1988	1984
25th REUNION	30th REUNION	

TOP 3 PARENT CLASSES WITH THE MOST GIFTS

#1	#2	#3
2021	2023	2024
9th GRADE	7th GRADE	6th GRADE

*Thank you for  
giving back and  
inspiring others!*

We are grateful for the donors who made both campaigns a success. Your enthusiasm, generosity, contagious spirit and volunteer efforts are why MICDS continues to be a national leader in independent education with a thriving culture of philanthropy. Thank you for helping us to fulfill our Mission to prepare future leaders for lives of purpose and service. 100% of our students and faculty are impactful by your support.



2,053

Number of Miles the Farthest Gift Traveled

Don Casey shares his joy and gratitude for having the opportunity to teach and coach.



COACH DON CASEY HONORED AT

# Water Polo Area Dedication

On April 3, members of the MICDS community gathered to honor Coach **Don Casey** for his years of coaching and teaching at MICDS during the Water Polo Area Dedication. Don began working at Country Day School in 1976 and has been a pillar of the CDS and MICDS community ever since. Many past and present student-athletes gathered at the Steward Family Aquatic Center to join in the celebration before a water polo match against Chaminade.

"He continues to shape, mold and influence the lives of the people he teaches and coaches in deeply important ways," said **Kent Rapp '76**. "On a personal note, water polo was my great passion growing up and throughout college—and it's all because of Don Casey."

Coach Casey shared his gratitude to the sizable crowd present that day.

*"The one constant—in both my experiences of teaching and coaching—has been the joy and satisfaction I've experienced seeing young people learn, enjoy what they're doing and improve over the years," he said.*

The naming of the Water Polo Area in honor of Don Casey is the result of the dedicated interest in and support for the MICDS aquatics programs from dozens of alumni, current and former parents and friends of the School. The momentum generated by their enthusiasm and philanthropy is a testament to the impact of legendary teacher-coaches like Coach Casey, as well as to the generosity of our MICDS community.



An excited crowd shows their support for Coach Casey.

"When you approach a given situation, you see what you are looking for. We focus our attention on what we want to see."

— DR. TIM BONO



**Dr. Tim Bono,**  
Assistant Dean at Washington  
University St. Louis

Dr. Tim Bono, an Assistant Dean at Washington University St. Louis, spoke with Upper School parents and students about happiness during a recent visit to campus. Dr. Bono researches, writes and lectures in the field of positive Psychology. His debut book, *When Likes Aren't Enough: A Crash Course in the Science of Happiness*, was released in March 2018.



# Class Notes

NEWS FOR MARY INSTITUTE  
AND SAINT LOUIS COUNTRY DAY  
SCHOOL ALUMNAE AND ALUMNI

The following pages reflect  
notes submitted through

**June 15, 2018**

Submit your news for the next issue to:  
[classnotes@micds.org](mailto:classnotes@micds.org) by October 15, 2018.



Benjamin Sperling White '03 and Lauren Ann Gunneson celebrate their wedding day in New Orleans.

## *Births and Adoptions*

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN TO OUR MICDS FAMILY.

**Jordan Cooper Beaudoin '99** and Daniel:  
Aaliyah Grace, *December, 2017.*

**Andrew Bardot '03** and Megan:  
Cordelia Paige, *December 31, 2017.*

**Katie Clark Feuerbacher '08** and William:  
Ellie Sue, *January 22, 2018.*

**Kristin Garrett Keller '02** and Jesse:  
James Bodine, *March 12, 2018.*

**Logan Henderson '02** and Jennifer:  
Lila Bess, *April 9, 2017.*

**Julia Mullenger Hetherington '05** and Bobby:  
Elisabeth Wynn, *April 26, 2017.*

**Drew Gulick '02** and Alix:  
Carter, *April 2017.*

**John Potter '02** and Emily:  
William, *May 1, 2018. (photo 03)*

**Caleb Pultman '17** and Janet:  
Elijah Joshua, *May 13, 2018.*

**Barrett Erker '90** and Taber Smith:  
Sydney Barrett, *May 16, 2018.*

**Locke George '00** and **Abigail Weisbrod George '01**:  
Locke Langford "Ford", *May 20, 2018.*

**Allison Chod Davis '05** and Andrew:  
Isabelle "Izzy" Sofia, *June 9, 2018. (photo 02)*

## *Marriages*

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING ALUMNI/AE ON THEIR RECENT NUPTIALS.

**Jeannie Rogalsky '99** and Emily Resseger:  
*July 1, 2017. (photo 04)*

**Benjamin Sperling White '03** and Lauren Ann Gunneson:  
*March 17, 2018. (photo 01)*

**Maayan Simckes '07** and Nadav Hirsh:  
*May 27, 2018.*

**Lauren Waterbury Turley '11** and Landon:  
*April 28th, 2018.*



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**GETTING MARRIED? EXPECTING?**

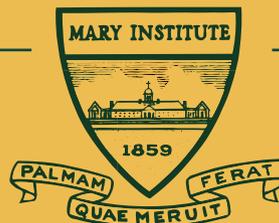
We'd like to help you celebrate, but we can't print news about future weddings or babies. When your plans become reality, please let the Alumni Office know and we'll gladly print your news after the fact, and all share in the excitement!

**SAVE THE DATE!**

*A Festival of Lessons  
and Carols Sing-Along*

**Sunday, December 16, 2018**

4:00-5:00 p.m. Lessons and Carols Sing-Along  
for Alumnae in Mary Eliot Chapel



04



## FACULTY DEATHS

### Remembering C. Robert Wells

One of the first teachers new Country Day students met from the mid-1940s through the 1970s was C. Robert Wells, longtime Head of the Lower School and a CDS faculty member for 32 years (1945-59 and 1961-79). Mr. Wells passed away on Wednesday, April 18, at 101. He was the last of the veteran "master teachers" who moved with the school from its original Brown Road campus to Warson Road in late 1957.

Bob Wells was born in East St. Louis, Illinois, on January 5, 1917. He earned degrees from Blackburn Junior College, Cumberland University, and Washington University, and he joined the CDS faculty in 1945 after World War II service in the Pacific as a U.S. Army Major. When he first arrived on campus, he initially wore his military uniform, prompting many graduates from those early years to still greet him half a century later as "Major Wells."

In addition to teaching English, math, and science, Mr. Wells was a student advisor and athletics coach. He served Country Day in various administrative capacities, including Director of Admissions/Financial Aid, Acting Dean of Students, and school publicist. An Eagle Scout, he supervised the CDS Scout troop between 1945 and 1947, and after retiring, he continued his Scouting involvement. He also became an expert on Missouri wildflowers, an avocation pursued through the Missouri Botanical Garden and the Webster Groves Nature Study Society. Mr. Wells and his wife were also active in the St. Louis Opera Guild.

Mr. Wells counted as colleagues and friends many Country Day teaching legends. He was hired by Ashley Sturgis, a CDS faculty member since 1917 and headmaster from 1942 to 1946, and he worked with eight of the 12 men who would serve as headmasters of Country Day as an all-boys' school.

Throughout his life, Mr. Wells maintained an active interest in the students he had taught and counseled. He knew where graduates had gone to college, their professions, and offspring who later attended CDS. He often welcomed to his Kirkwood home alumni guests who were invariably amazed by his razor-sharp memory, which never diminished. Most recently, drawing on his unparalleled knowledge of school history, he helped in the preparation of materials for the 2017-18 centennial of Country Day's founding.

Mr. Wells is survived by three children, Robert A. Wells '70, James S. Wells, and Ellen J. Underhill; and by four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## *Alumni/ae Deaths*

THROUGH JUNE 11, 2018

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES TO THE FAMILIES OF ALUMNI/AE WE HAVE LOST.

Fay Corl Scherr '33, February 13, 2017

John B. Gunter '36, February 7, 2018

John K. Spring '37, May 12, 2016

Jane Hickman Acheson '40, April 21, 2018

Joseph W. Glik '44, April 10, 2018

Diane Carling Barnes '48, April 11, 2018

Eleanor Koehler Ingersoll '49, March 2, 2018

Edgar L. Bland '52, May 31, 2018

R. Douglas Gross '53, April 10, 2018

Sally Woolwine Higgins '53, April 19, 2018

Jane Cochran Hughes '54, May 9, 2018

Gordon F. Webb Sr. '57, May 16, 2018

Florence Johnson Lewis '58, March 22, 2018

David B. Mitchell '60, August 24, 2017

F. Carl Schumacher '61, May 16, 2018

John E. Goodman '68, March 29, 2018

Alvin D. Goldman '68, December 20, 2017

Richard B. Hawes '71, June 5, 2018

Robert W. Koedding '77, April 20, 2018

Sydney V. Carnahan '14, May 19, 2018

## *Faculty Deaths*

C. Robert Wells, faculty member  
(Head of the Lower School and CDS faculty member)  
from 1945-59 and 1961-79





## Reunion Weekend

### 01. MI CLASS OF 1968

**Back row (from left):** Holly Bobe Erker, Jenny Ross Manganaro, Gail Engler Day, Marmee Williams Taylor, Betsy Trent Heberling, Janey Culver Rouse and Jannie Jones Ramatici.

**Middle row (from left):** Barbara Singer Pratter, Missy Morriss Schroll, Bonnie Black Taylor, Hilary Volkman, Jan Howell Wisland, Karen Smith Hempstead, Lou Horan Noland, Vicky Schofield Willis, Ann Grossman Boon, Jodie Brodhead Moore and Nina Hamilton Langenberg.

**Next row (from left):** Julie Arnold, Becky Wells Mattison, Holly Holtz, Betsy Fordyce, Christy Marshall, Mary Semple McWilliams and Susie Marschel Deffa.

**Front row (from left):** Shelley Painter Vaquer, Christy Willis, Robin Shoenberg Zwick, Helen French Graves, Lynn Doris Ginalick, Carol Ferring Shepley, Ruth Falchero Zaranka, Suzanne Blanke Sophocles and Missy Ingham Pixton.



### 02. CDS CLASS OF 1968

**Back row (from left):** Guy Duerbeck, Scott Sale, Michael Grass, John Stupp, Cliff Scudder, Jake Shepley.

**Middle row (from left):** Tom Tuthill, Steve Brice, Bodie Marx, Ed Ernst, Fred Thatcher, Tom Bitting, Frank Catanzaro, Bob Metzger, George Whitelaw, Bob Cole.

**Front row (from left):** Chuck Jones, Charlie Erker, Gary Wolff, Kristen Browde, John Kjorlien, Rick Bidgood, Perry Chrisler.

03. Alumni gather for cocktails and reminisce during the Reunion Weekend dinner in the MAC.

### 04. MICDS CLASS OF 1993

**Back row (from left):** Sumner Charles, Jeff Linihan, Jason Stephenson, Alex Lee and Brian Collard.

**Middle row (from left):** Kevin Tipton, Noel Abboud, Bill Clendenin and Rob Buschmann.

**Front row (from left):** Cristin Cunningham Mack, Sarah Babington Lane, Delta Stokes Seward, Megan Travathan Talkington and Farrell Galt Crowley.

05. Members of the Class of 2013 snap a photobooth photo.



## 1936 MI

**Carolyn Lansing McCluney** celebrated her 100th birthday with friends and relatives in her home in Vero Beach, Florida, on May 1, 2018. Younger sister **Peggy '39** was also in attendance. Carolyn loves to reminisce about May Pole formals and the many sports she excelled in. She still loves to look at the *MICDS Magazine*.



*Carolyn Lansing McCluney '36 celebrates her 100th birthday alongside daughter Lyn Buford.*

## 1945 MI

**Margaret Mize Mathis** writes: "My twin brother, **David Mize '45**, and I celebrated our 90th birthday at David's house in Vermont. All of our children and their spouses attended along with David's four grandchildren and seven of my 10 grandchildren. I live in Maine and the others came from as far as California, Washington, Colorado and Florida. It was a great party, and we are both thankful to be relatively healthy and able to celebrate."

## 1945 CDS



*David Mize and twin sister Margaret Mize Mathis '45 at their 90th birthday at David's house in Vermont.*

## 1957 MI

**MARGOT MARITZ MARTIN**  
margomm@swbell.net

**Bonnie Barton Wolfarth** reports that she and Al recently cruised up the east coast from Miami to Norfolk, and then over to Bermuda and down to Nassau. Her son, Meade Summers, and **Jobie Meier Summers '88** have four children at MICDS, and Bonnie enjoys attending activities for the kids at the School. She notes, "Four of our eight grandchildren are over 16 and now driving. I feel lucky that I have an occasional chauffeur."

**Pat Doughton Anderson** and Jim recently visited friends in London and Switzerland as well as spent time in Scotland. They also recently traveled to Cabo San Lucas and Glacier National Park. Another Florida resident, **Cynthia Hungerford Gibbons** and her husband spend part of their time in Palm Beach and "are happy settling into our Hudson Valley home for the summer." Cynthia writes, "Our door is always open for the class of '57."

**DeDe DeWitt Lambert's** son, **Bill '79**, and his family continue to live in Atlanta. DeDe's son Bob lives in the Central West End with his partner and enjoys being able to walk to work. Son Peter and his wife, **Middy '88**, have been living with DeDe for over a year while they are building a new home with an attached cottage for DeDe. DeDe tells us "I am in the process

of downsizing – not an easy task". DeDe spent the winter in Vero Beach and then to Harbor Springs for two months this summer.

**Ann Lortz Brightman** reports news about her children and grandchildren. "My son **Terry Pflager's '80** youngest child, **GeGe '18**, graduated from MICDS. Our son, Russell, and his wife have two daughters, a 3-year-old and a baby born this May. Daughters **Amy '85** and **Carrie** continue to live in Seattle and Denver, respectively."

I continue to enjoy my service as Mayor of Frontenac and also work on a PRN basis at an outpatient psychiatric clinic. My oldest daughter, Margot, is a Californian. Her two daughters are in Chicago. Michelle and her four live in St. Louis. My son, Tom, and his wife, Diane, live nearby, a couple houses away from where DeDe and other MICDS friends lived.

Thank you to all who responded to this request for Class Notes. I look forward to hearing from more of you next time around. Best wishes to everyone for a happy and healthy summer.

## 1958 MI

We had a great turnout for our 60th Reunion! Twenty-four classmates attended dinner at the St. Louis Country Club Thursday May 3. The out of towners made the evening so special: **Connee Darmstatter Counts, Barbara Smith Brack, Nancy Agress Brodsky, Mary Koenigsberg Lang, Lana Mueller Jordan, Laura Orthwein, Judy Sampson Kroeger and Linda Skinner Thies**. In-townners were: **Carol Kent Diggs, Nancy Harrigan Child, CY Williamson Metcalfe, Alice Blanke Boeschstein, Cynthia Bland Medart, Linda Osterkamp Desloge, Lil Brokaw Metcalfe, Sally Caulk Russell, Helen Campbell Weise, Tosca Smith Schaberg, Joyce Thompson Stericker, Lee Stephens Wightman, Sally Spoehrer Lemkemeier, Valerie Pantaleoni Terry, Muffy Hensley McPheeters and Libby Hall McDonnell**. We also had fun at the 60th reunion luncheon at the Log Cabin Club, as well as the alumnae dinner at School on Friday night!

We heard from the following classmates who regretted, but we were glad to hear from them:

**Patty Pomeroy Tobin, Sally Tobias, Lyn Dominguez, Susan Donnell, Susie Morris Glasscock, Susan Spencer Potterton, Suzan Murray Meier, Nancy Schumacher Dennis, Pat Schaefer Andrews, Susan Russe Dreyfus, Alice Davis Rains, Kay Wilson Post, Susan Shampaine Hopper and Mary Waldheim Lemmon.** **Marnie Crossen Bell** was coming, but broke her hip in Las Vegas! Of course we really missed our beloved class President Florence, and all our dear classmates who have died. We have such wonderful and fond memories. We are hoping possibly for a reunion the year we all turn 80 — egads — that will be year 2020. It will be here before we know it!

## 1958 CDS

**DAN B. FEINBERG**  
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The Class of '58 celebrated its 60th reunion May 3-5, 2018 in conjunction with MICDS Reunion Weekend. We had 19 classmates in attendance and plenty of events to get together.

**Hugh Bartlett** and Jane are currently in Estes Park, Colorado, on the first stop of Airstream Caravan, "Springtime in the Rockies," a six-week travel through the American Rocky Mountains, ending in Yellowstone—fishing, hiking, white water rafting, etc. Hugh says "Life is good in an Airstream!"

**Jim Dodds** and Luci cruised the St. Lawrence Seaway and the New England coast, with a side trip to Bermuda this June.

**Frank Elliott** says he can't believe it, and neither could his playing partners, but during a recent round of golf he shot his age—77. Three days later he shot a 96—that's golf. Frank says it sounded like the reunion was an event worth attending.

**Lou Goldring's** granddaughter, **Alexandra Quiroga '18**, graduated from MICDS as an eight-year member of the class.

**Steve Graeser** is keeping busy repairing, restoring and building banjos for a local music store. He recently spent time in Austin and San Antonio, Texas, watching his 18-year-old granddaughter play polo. Her team won their match at Ft. Sam Houston. She was the only female rider.

**David A. Hanks** organized an exhibition titled, "What is Good Design?," which opened in Montreal at the Stewart Foundation on June 14, 2018. He is also volunteering for the current initiative of the Poor People's Campaign and ongoing work for Islamic Relief U.S.A.

**Bill Hall** and Cher are spending four months on their favorite island and vacation site, Hydra, Greece. Bill's retirement is progressing well with his own reading list and, for fitness, three days a week running repeats up a nearby hill. It reminds him of the hill Moose kindly encouraged us to run up ever faster during summer football camp on the old campus. He says, "Sorry to have missed the reunion."

**J. Ben Miller** writes: "In addition to the pleasure of our 60th reunion, shortly thereafter I was thrilled to attend my grandson's graduation. **Ford Maune '18** became an alum with a background in football, lacrosse and, apparently, some sincere devotion to studies.

**David Scharff** has been indulging in globetrotting, teaching courses on analytic therapy to couples and families in China and Russia, with augmented professional forays in England, France, Spain, Greece, Japan, Panama and Buenos Aires, among others. He is still writing professional books, especially on couple and family analytic therapy, and on new patterns of family and couple relationships in China. Their family is growing with seven grandchildren.



*The 60th reunion reception of the Class of '58 at the Log Cabin Club on May 3, 2018. (From left) Hugh Bartlett, Johnny Hall, Bill Kelley, Jim Clarkson, Spark Racenscroft, Dan Feinberg, Terry Culver, Don Wilson, Lou Goldring, J. Ben Miller, Warren Boeschstein, Roger Lord, Rich Nelson and Geoff McClelland.*

## 1959 MI

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**Margi Cardwell Higonnet** wrote: "We have shuttled this year between Cambridge and Paris and continue working along—Patrice on his most recent book about the French Revolution, while I am all over the map. One big collaborative project on defining "realism" has been holding a dozen workshops in England. Another preoccupation has been serving as president of the *Fédération internationale des langues et littératures modernes*. Lucy has just moved to a condo in Baltimore harbor and continues to work for the State of Maryland."

**Carol Bodenheimer Loeb** writes that she just got back from her 55th class reunion at Mount Holyoke. "My three granddaughters and daughter-in-law Jenny moved from Singapore to St. Louis in mid-June. **Megan '20** will be a junior at MICDS, **Ashley** chose 8th grade at Burroughs and **Lilly '25** has entered 6th grade at MICDS where I am still teaching the ACT courses. I also continue on the National Council for the Medical School, the Board of Trustees for the Science Center and the Board of Directors for Women of Achievement."

Carol had a wonderful phone catch up with **Jinks Haigler Fujita**. She has moved to the Gatesworth and her health is much improved

**Nancy O'Neill Rathburn** wrote to **Lydia Long**, "I am living in an apartment in Cypress Village, an independent living community for seniors. I was able to bring Ace, my mini Schnauzer, with me. I am also closer to my daughter, Betsy, and my soon-to-be 17 year-old grandson, Casey, who often chauffeurs me around in my car. I am doing well and will be teaching chair yoga again soon. I am planning to attend the 60th reunion in May of 2019."

**Jean Hamilton Pearman** tells us: "I am working with a gentleman friend of mine in the shipping business to organize a one-week cruise on a ship called 'Shangri la.' It will have embryonic stem cell shots available, which are not allowed in the U.S. The ship will be 15 miles offshore in international waters. I have received these stem cell shots in Mexico for the last three years for an autoimmune disease. They have helped my arthritic pain tremendously."

**Carol Jacobs Montag '59** wrote: "My partner and I have gathered or composed and brought together in one small cookbook, Chicago Cooks: 45 Perfect Recipes for the Passionate Palate, self-published and now available through Amazon. If you are interested, visit our website, [chicagocooks.net](http://chicagocooks.net). My other news is of my adorable grandsons, Henry (3) and Charlie (16 months). They are the joy of my life, and I fly to Brooklyn every other month to see them."

**Sally Curby Johnston '59** tells us "The Munny is celebrating its 100th season this summer." Sally's granddaughter, Allison (16) continues as a Munny Teen and performed in Jersey Boys this summer. She was the lead in the JBS production of Urinetown in the spring. Sally also reported that her grandson graduated from Chapman University in Orange, California. Her twin granddaughters graduated from Burroughs and are going to University of Miami and Boulder

**Quinta Dunn Scott** writes: "Last summer, Barrie and I went west, first to Grand Island, Nebraska, to watch the eclipse, then to San Jose to see his son, Kendall, and wife Trang. Then, on to Portland, Oregon, to see his grandson, Alex, wife, Hilary, and great grandchildren, Grayson and Vivian. From Portland, we drove up the Columbia River Valley across Oregon to Montana then south to Yellowstone and the Grand Tetons. In February, I had knee surgery and spent the spring in recovery."

**Sheila Morrin Humphreys** says: "I am very sorry that MICDS' Head of School Lisa Lyle will leave at the end of academic year 2018-2019. Fortunately, she will be present at our 60th Reunion on May 2-4, so please plan to come. I was in St. Louis in June for the Clayton High School graduation of grandson Sam Humphreys, our son Ben's son. **Lydia Long** was across the stadium from us to see her granddaughter, Cyne Baer, graduate. Some classmates, Sally, **Josephine Weil** and Lydia, came to the Helen Clanton Morrin Lecture at Washington University in March, given by wonderful Oskar Eustis, Artistic Director of the Public Theater in NY."

We hope to hear from all of you for the next round of Class Notes which, as Carol says, may write themselves when we hold a 60th reunion and all meet in St. Louis May 2-4, 2019!



*Carol Jacobs Montag's son, Nick Samuels and his sons, Henry and Charlie.*

## 1961 MI

From **Claire Foster Evans**: "Our big news was our trip around the world to my granddaughter's wedding in Australia. Capen married William MacCarther Stanham. Our other big trip was with all our children and spouses to the Loire Valley in France to celebrate our 50th anniversary! We have 12 grandchildren and one great grandchild. We spend most of our time in Vero Beach, Florida, and Vail, Colorado. Life is good!"

From **Hadley Hesse Wood**: "I have spent a good amount of time traveling since finally retiring from teaching. A six-week trip to Antarctica and South America included Rio, penguins and Iguazu Falls. Then there was a four-and-a-half-week trip to Europe: Barcelona, Ireland, Scotland and a short Mediterranean cruise. Having as much fun as I can!"



*Hadley Hesse Wood '61 takes the leap and does her first zip line on a recent cruise.*

## 1961 CDS

**Carl Hoppe** writes: “After some 43 years, I’ve moved my psychology practice from Beverly Hills closer to my home in Marina Del Rey. If and when I get old, I will retire. Meanwhile, I am playing tennis between two and four times a week, getting to the beach from time to time and enjoying a three-day-a-week schedule at the office. My wife, Diane, and I will visit my brother, **William Hoppe ’54**, in Pennsylvania and of course visit with my daughters from time to time.”

**Bruce Butler** writes: “Retired for the 2nd time, most recently from PBS/KETC. Wife **Leigh ’61** and I have been working on renovating old A-frames at Innsbrook—that is if we can find one that really needs it. Leigh has her real estate license and is with Red Key. That makes it really easy!”

## 1962 MI

**Betsy Douglass** and Tom are thrilled that all three of their children and all four of their grandchildren now live in St. Louis. Betsy is busy with family, community service and church work at St. Michael’s, and a small private practice as a therapist counseling individuals and couples. She is still trying to find enough time to become proficient at golf and bridge as well as read during the day. She and Tom spent two months in Vero Beach, Florida, last winter, where she enjoyed seeing **Cille Ravenscroft Ribaud**, **Jody Noland Old**, and **Gale Thompson McMullin**.

## 1962 CDS

**Lou Cariffe** resurrected his career in acting in 2012. He’s done six feature films, 12 shorts and a few commercials since then. He also wrote, produced, directed and narrated a documentary film that will appear on PBS

**John Primm** writes: “Living in Hua Hin, Thailand. I am teaching ESL part time, playing pickleball regularly and simply enjoying life.”

## 1963 MI

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What a fun 55th Reunion our MI Class of ’63 had. Nineteen of us were able to participate: **Becky Atwood Patton**, **Cindy Bagby Marrs**, **Margaret Blanke Henderson**, **Muffy Culver Matthews**, **Suzanne Franklin Corry**, **Lynn Frazier Gas**, **Ann Haigler Rittenbaum**, **Diane Haneklau**, **Marjorie Johnson**, **Ann Keeler Poucher**, **Jane Lewin Steinger**, **Edie Levy Brown**, **Nancy Lungstras Broadfoot**, **Barbara Martin Smith**, **Sally Neuwoehner Anderson**, **Nettie Orthwein Dodge**, **Nancy Rodgers McGrath**, **Dudley Roulhac Grove** and **Emy Young Boag**.

We enjoyed the very nice luncheon hosted by MICDS, learned about The Muny 100th year celebration through a presentation and a tour, visited the Arch and Museum, visited the Zoo and explored the Missouri Botanical Garden on a cooler day. One evening we participated in the Rare Book and Fine Print event and auction helping The Mercantile Library where our very own **Barbara Martin Smith** had a beautiful display of her watercolors.

Everyone has said the best parts of the weekend were the two lovely dinners hosted by **Sally Neuwoehner Anderson** and **Ken Anderson** and **Dudley Roulhac Grove** and **Jim Grove ’62**. Both evenings were filled with catching up, reminiscing, laughter and joy. Thank you, Andersons and Groves, for providing these special times.

MI Class of ’63, keep in mind 2023 when we will have the opportunity to do this again!



*Members of the MI Class of ’63 gather at The Muny to learn about the 100th season.*



*Members of the MI Class of ’63 have a wild time at the zoo.*

## 1963 CDS

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Why does this make me (**Joe Campagna**) feel like I’m in school again? As I write this, I have over 24 hours to submit it—piece of cake.

The major event since last time was the 55th Golden Ram luncheon. John Allman had reflected back in March about our 50th on the light turnout for the 55th then. It turns out he was somewhat right. Some of us think that 55th doesn’t resonate like years ending in zero, so we may use 50ish to go along with our age—70ish

Nevertheless, several members of the Class made it to the lunch or dinner...the main scribe for the event was **Dick Grote**. I have edited his report slightly to protect those in attendance

and others. If I got any of this wrong, you should blame Grote, not me. Those in attendance included **Mark Webber** and Janet, **Bob Kaplan** and Margie, **Paul Hales**, **Gray Myers**, **George Diehr**, John Allman and Dick Grote. All but Myers and Diehr were at the dinner, joined by **Peter Kirstein** and **Bill Horwitz**. The food was good, and everyone enjoyed themselves.

At around the same time, we heard from **Randy Whitelaw**, who moved out of Las Vegas in April, which was his launching point to visit and hike the trails out of Tubac, Arizona, and the National Parks in Arizona, Utah and California. He also spends time in New Hampshire in the summer. He thanked the organizers of the Phoenix mini-reunion (**Neil Senturia** and **Sandy Tamm**), and he votes for a mini-reunion in Nantucket in September.

Finally, we are all regaled by the occasional musings of **Randy Bell**, often sent in a rapid sequence from a time zone and point-of-view with which I am not always familiar, containing multiple links to things musical, historical, political or otherwise. Keep it up, Rbell.

## 1964 MI

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Ladies:

We are on the cusp of our 55th reunion! We need to make it even more wonderful than our 50th, so please put May 2-5, 2019, on your calendars, make travel arrangements, get your eyes and teeth fixed, buy new Spanx and come!

Jane and I thank you for your response to our plea for Class News. We'll start with the St. Louis crew. New grandbabies have been reported by **Penny Williams George** and **Carter Simpson Noel**. Penny's newest "grand" is Locke Langford "Ford" George, son of **Abigail Weisbrod George '01** and **Locke '00**. All three of Penny's children now live here.

Carter reported, "Our big news this year is the birth of **Lauren Carroll Noel '99** and

my son, Teddy's, baby girl, Margaret Grace Noel (Maggie). Thank heavens we have a grandchild in St. Louis. Daughter, **Caroline '92** and George Cooper live in Washington, D.C. with children, Eleanor (12) and Teddy (9). **Ben '58** and I are enjoying our new house in Vero Beach in the winter and get our fix with lots of St. Louis friends down there. I am still working in my design business, so life is busy. We are also fortunate to have **Jamey '87**, J. Ben's daughter, living nearby. Ben's only grandson, **Ford Maune '18** just graduated from MICDS."

**Barbie Macdonald Stamper** lost Bill in December. She has done a lot of grandparent duty since then and taken several trips, most recently to Normandy and the beaches. Fun news from Barbie concerns her grandson; "**John Engman '28** started 3rd grade at The Beasley School in the fall. **John Engman '91** and grandfather **Edward Engman '58** are both graduates. Also, his maternal great-grandmother and grandmother graduated in '37 and '64, respectively. Cheers!"

Thinking of legacies, **Kitty Shelton Bollinger**, who also has all of her children in St. Louis, claims a granddaughter, who is a recent MICDS graduate, and several other grandchildren in the School. Her daughter, **McKay Baur Mills '92**, is vice president of the MICDS Alumni Association. The child was destined. In 1978-80, **Drew Baur '62** headed the CDS Alumni Association, and in 1982, Kitty headed the Mary Institute Alumni Association. Isn't our School lucky to have such long-term family support?!

A recent conversation with **Hunt Niedringhaus '86**, son of our own **Ann Burford Niedringhaus**, provided the information that his sons, **Thomas '19** and **Jack '22**, will both be in the Upper School in the fall. Wouldn't it be fun to get a School tour from our legacy students when we gather in May?

**Kimmy Thompson Brauer** and **Steve '63** have recently celebrated their 47th anniversary. Vis-à-vis our 55th, Kimmy observed: "Living in the present is my new theme, and I think we should consider doing a big weekend to be together while we are still healthy and having fun! Let's make some fresh memories! Meet us in St. Louie!"

**Linn Upthegrove Wells** and Davey still travel and were in France and the Netherlands on a riverboat cruise this spring. Linn still volunteers with Shaw's Garden and is on its Friends Board. **Elizabeth '99** continues to teach U.S. and World History at MICDS. She has recently begun to help coach the Mock Trial team. **Jean '02** works for Twain Financial Partners.

**Marianne Schultz** and **Sandy Galt '60** have had **Farrell '93** and her family, including dog, staying with them all winter. John is now working here, and he, Farrell and their two daughters are currently moving into their new home.

Another scholar and "lifelong learner" through Washington University is **Susan Kahn Bromberg**. Our condolences go to Susan, whose Neil died in September after a long illness. Sadly, we have also just learned that Susan's mother died at 96 in June. She is survived by Susan and her two brothers, several "grands" and Dr. Kahn, her husband of 75 years.

**Marie Campagna Brauer** just received a master's degree in legal studies from Washington University. After taking a little time to decompress, she plans to use her new knowledge to help others. She has just returned from Dallas where she took three grandchildren to a Medieval Festival that included jousting and eating "medieval style"—i.e., no silverware. Goodness!

**Peggy Bealke Nicholls** emailed from Colorado: "I have just moved into a new house! It is a half duplex in Singletree, about 20 minutes west of Vail. I wanted to be within walking distance of everything I might need and to have everything brand new. I figure that, in 20 years when things start to break, I'll either be dead or just won't care. While moving was a total pain, joy came with the process of knowing that it will be my last move."

**Susie Primm Thel**, in the Boston area, stated: "I will definitely be at the reunion with any luck and so look forward to seeing everyone. Thanks to you and Blockie already for your Sunday brunch! Can't wait!"

**Ann Greve Sadler** also plans on being at the Reunion and wrote from Camden, New Jersey: "I couldn't agree with Susie more. Good to be alive and not suffering. Missing so many folks

who have passed on. Keep waiting for Kathy to call and chat. Am still managing to get my 5-year-old to pre-K every morning in uniform, on time, and then myself to work. Still read all the time; knitting, mostly baby blankets; and gardening. Never enough time to get everything done!”

In Florida, **Cindy MacDonald Gamblin** reported: “We are all busy doing our anti-hurricane dance for the upcoming season. Our governor is one of those naysayers about climate change. If I sound a bit political, the fun of being retired for me is having a chance to lobby my own causes. Some of you saw my black bear card for Christmas 2016. End result—no more bear hunts! Otherwise, life has been pretty quiet when I’m not rabble rousing.”

Also in Florida is **Pumpkin Hirsch**, aka Carolyn Michel. Her news follows: “This last fall, I acted in a lovely short film entitled *KATIA*, which was accepted into the Sarasota Film Festival and the Oniros Film Awards. I play a Russian Circus performer, a Cossack Rider, who drinks and smokes too much, while opining about an abused friend. I have a younger double doing the tricks on the horse! Howard Millman and I were honored by the Salvation Army for our work in the community in the arts and human services. Howard and I just returned from a fabulous week in Cuba.”

We recently heard word that **Alison Becker Chase**’s performance of *NO PLAN B* in Bucksport, Maine, and Portland, Maine, was a success. Alison was a founder of Pilobolus Dance Theater and founded Alison Chase/Performance in 2009. To see a video of the performance, visit [vimeo.com/257841213](https://vimeo.com/257841213).

Jane and I started reminiscing while working on this article. She had been thinking about a Motown-type performance a group of classmates attended in 1963 or 1964. She researched with several classmates, and **Alison Becker Chase** fleshed out the memory:

November 1, 1963, that’s the evening some classmates went to Kiel Auditorium to the Motor Town Revue. **Alison Becker Chase** recalls, “That evening at Kiel Auditorium is imprinted in my memory clearly, and I think all our parents went to the grave not knowing of this escapade.” She recalls seeing all the Motown “heavy hitters” plus James Brown as

the final act. **Betsy Payne Biggs** remembers gathering at **Lucy Upson**’s house and leaving from there. She thinks we must have spent the night, as our cover story was that we were having a sleepover. **Jane Cox** recalls sitting in the balcony and the ushers asking people to sit down if they got up and danced.

Jane Cox’s niece, Jennifer, thought her aunt was still with it enough to take her to the David Byrne (Talking Heads) concert recently. Jane reports that it was wonderful and couldn’t believe it was so much fun.

**Cherie Hagnauer Pautler** recently attended a Led Zeppelin concert—sort of. Her grandson is taking guitar lessons and his group is called “Led Zeppelin.” Thus the concert. So you see? Grandmothers are not too old. Cherie also remembers going to watch the DJs at radio station KXLW with classmates. Who knew we were and still are such musical groupies?

Jane and I will close with a word for our class president, **Barbara Baur Dunlap**, expressing our condolences on the death of her mother, **Florence Noland Baur**’40 and sharing Barbara’s words of wisdom. “The great news about the 55th reunion is that there are no speeches/no financial gifts expected—it’s just a chance to share another moment together. We can actually just sit around and really enjoy hearing each other’s life stories—not so much reliving old stories but hearing the new news. Blessings beyond measure as we add our 55th reunion to our calendar for 2019.”

## 1965 MI

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**Mimi Johnson Severs**: “I spent a long Mother’s Day weekend in Seattle with son Scott and his family and attended granddaughter Natalie’s First Communion.”

**Connie Bascom McPheeters**: “My first grandchild is going to high school, which makes me feel even older and not particularly wiser. I’m tired of seeing old rock-and-rollers take the stage and rehashing 1968, but happy I have

discovered Instagram to see the beauty and happiness in all our lives.”

**Ann Calfee Alden**: “My latest research has been published in the journal, *People and Animals*. We are starting phase four of this research at a senior living facility in Tucson and are getting interesting results indicating that horses reduce PTSD symptoms and improve cardiac health, a two-year grant funded through the University of Arizona. I’m still receiving Immunotherapy treatments for cancer which are working well. Finally, my 11-year-old granddaughter, Ava, competed in the National Youth Swimming Championships in Orlando this year.”

**Irene Leland**: “I was recognized again as Master Folk Singer/Songwriter at the Akademia International Music Gala in Pasadena, California. I was also chosen one of the songwriter/singers for the Songs of Love Foundation, a national non-profit whose artists provide original songs for sick children. My son, Joey’s, amazing legacy lives on in a monthly series published in the Pulse newspaper in St. Louis. His Baseball Cardinal logo maze continues to run in the Kid’s Menu at Imo’s.”

**Connie Shapleigh Martin**: “As my oldest grandchild will begin first grade next year, I am reminded how very fortunate we were to be educated at Mary Institute. It is now five years since I retired from the public school system here in San Diego. My constant advice to parents is reminding them that they are their children’s best teachers and advocates, no matter which schools are available. Life is good!”

**Alice Langenberg Abrams**: “I just finished curating the State of Clay Ceramic Exhibition in Lexington, Massachusetts, an exhibit that showcases contemporary clay art. I’ve been running this biennial for 20 years. I also had a piece in the show (my donut theme). Husband Walter and I had a refreshing winter escape to San Miguel, Mexico, last winter and are looking forward to going again. Our grandchildren and our time spent in Vermont fill me with immense pleasure and gratitude. I also read books—aren’t we all in book clubs?”

**Elizabeth Kendall**: “My news is about teaching and writing. And traveling. Teaching: Last semester, I taught (at Lang College of New School) a lecture course on (some) great

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1969

- 01. Irene Leland '65 with son Austin Barzantny '97 at the Forest Park Boathouse on Mother's Day.
- 02. Lulu Belle, the adopted pet Maltese of Donna Schultz Heidbreder '65.
- 03. Alice Langenberg Abrams '65 shows off her award-winning donut art.
- 04. Mimi Johnson Severs '65 with two of her four grandchildren: Natalie (8) and Tyler (12) Severs.



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books from Shakespeare to James Baldwin. This coming semester—Intro to Nonfiction, and *Considering Clothes* (about reading and thinking about clothes and bodies and identity). Writing: a short, swift, cinematic, geography-based, biography of Balanchine. Traveling: This summer, I'll be in Lisbon, London, Berlin and Helsinki."

**Donna Schultz Heidbreder:** "I should be clearing out closets. I should be herding the dust bunnies before they become dust buffalo. I should be in the garden, begging the roses to behave and murdering the weeds with a vengeance. Instead, I'm constantly distracted by my little bundle of vivacious joy and sheer delight: our Maltese, Miss Lulu Belle! My daughter, **Sarah Heidbreder '00**, and I adopted her nearly three years ago, and we've had huge grins on our faces ever since. Adopt — don't shop!"

**Molly Lane Mason:** "We have a new grandson, Henry Michael, who joins his big sister, Millie, who is 2 1/2. Our other grandchildren are 13 and 21. Our whole family will be in St. Louis in July for a Cardinals game and to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary and numerous July family birthdays, including husband **Jay** and twin brother **Jean Mason '64**, husband of **Leigh Limberg Mason**. Hello to all our friends and classmates."

Since I'm in three book clubs, I'd better recommend some recent favorites: *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng and *The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper* by Phaedra Patrick. Also the obvious, *The Handmaid's Tale*, which I re-read after watching the excellent mini-series on Hulu. Let's start a Class of '65 Book Club! Send me your recommendations.

Our next deadline is in mid-October. Send news any time. I'm always happy to hear from everyone.

## 1967 MI

**Penny Bass O'Sullivan's** coastal New Hampshire garden will be featured in the fall issue of *Country Gardens Magazine*, a *Better Homes and Gardens* special interest publication. Penny wrote the story on layering woody plants in the garden.

**Mary Lee Moser** writes: "I teach expressive art and journal writing classes at San Diego Writers, Ink, and I recently contributed to *A to Z Healing Toolbox: A Practical Guide for Navigating Grief and Trauma with Intention*, by Susan Hannifin-McNab. I continue to love traveling with my husband, Karl, and we'll be returning to Africa in September for gorilla tracking in Uganda. I will always live in California, but I see my extended family often in St. Louis and Michigan."

## 1968 MI

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We had a fabulous reunion May 3 – 6, with 41 out of 52 attending. Our weekend started Thursday at the Golden Rams luncheon and continued that night with the amazing hen party at **Lou Horan Noland's**. On Friday morning, we toured different parts of the city. Friday night, the 50th reunion classes had a cocktail with Lisa Lyle, followed by the Reunion Weekend dinner in the MAC. Many celebrated afterwards with sheet cake and libations at **Bonnie Black Taylor's**. On Saturday morning, we toured the School campus. In the afternoon, some of us watched the Cardinals beat the Cubs 8-6 in the bottom of the 10th inning. Others watched the Kentucky Derby and May Day. Saturday night, together with our CDS classmates, we had a last hurrah at the Deer Creek Club. Sunday morning, **Jenny Ross Manganaro**, **Jan Howell Wisland** and **Carol Ferring Shepley** hosted a send-off brunch on the rooftop of the Shepleys' new co-op overlooking Forest Park.

To mark this milestone, we created a Chronicle modeled after our 1968 yearbook. Our Class President, **Jannie Jones Ramatici**, designed it, and **Ann Grossman Boon**, **Ruth Falchero** and **Karen Smith Hempstead** edited and produced this treasure.

We are proud that, as of this writing, over 50 percent of our class has made a donation to our reunion gift that provides scholarships to children of faculty.

Those attending were: **Julie Arnold**, **Sandy Moulton Alvino**, **Ann Boon**, **Christy Holt Bowman**, **Gail Engler Day**, **Susie Marschel Deffaa**, **Holly Bobe Erker**, **Sue Essen**, **Ruth Falchero**, **Betsy Fordyce**, **Lynn Doris Ginalick**, **Helen French Graves**, **Susie Hardy**, **Betsy Trent Heberling**, **Karen Hempstead**, **Holly Holtz**, **Joan Langenberg**, **Nina Hamilton Langenberg**, **Jenny Manganaro**, **Christy Marshall**, **Mary Semple McWilliams**, **Becky Wells Mattison**, **Susie McMillan**, **Jodie Brodhead Moore**, **Lou Noland**, **Missy Ingham Pixton**, **Bo Singer Pratter**, **Jannie Ramatici**, **Janey Culver Rouse**, **Victoria Schofield**, **Missy Morriss Schroll**, **Carol Shepley**, **Suzanne Blanke Sophocles**, **Bonnie Taylor**, **Marmee Williams Taylor**, **Shelley Painter Vaquer**, **Hilary Volkman**, **Christy Willis**, **Jan Wisland** and **Robin Shoenberg Zwick**.

The long-distance award goes to **Victoria Schofield** who came from London.

Special thanks to Louise Jones and to **Elizabeth Moore Coulter '08** for all their help. We couldn't have done it without them.

Let's keep the reunion spirit going. We have discovered Class Notes are a rolling process, appearing three times a year, so please send Janey and Carol news whenever it happens so we can share it with all.

## 1969 CDS

**Mark Throdahl** writes: "Our company, OrthoPediatrics, recently went public. OrthoPediatrics (ticker symbol KIDS) is the only company in the world focused on orthopedic surgical systems for children. We make implants and instruments to treat

scoliosis, traumatic injuries, leg deformities and torn ligaments of the knee. I joined the business soon after it was founded, and we now sell our products in 39 countries. Sudie and I downsized several years ago, moving from the suburbs of New York City, where we lived 28 years, to our condo in Clayton. Since moving back, we see old Country Day friends such as **Chuck Jones '68**, **Joe Rechter**, **Peter Griffin** and **John Fox '70**. It is great to be home again after living away so long."

**Ed Hall** has recently joined Coldwell Banker-Gundaker as a sales associate in the Ladue office, specializing in condominium brokerage.



*Mark Throdahl '69 and colleagues ringing the opening bell at NASDAQ on the day their company, OrthoPediatrics, went public.*

## 1970 MI

### PAMELA FARRELL DUPUIS

**Judy Jacobs** reports: "After 2+ years of living in Budapest, Mihaly and I have begun our year-long journey back to the states. We spent six weeks in Jordan working at a Bedouin tourist camp, exploring Petra and house sitting two dogs in the Red Sea resort of Aqaba. Then it was on to Pakistan, where we spent most of our time in the Hunza Valley. We spent two weeks living with a local family in a small farming village and the rest of the time hiking and enjoying the mountains in the resort center of Karimbad. You can follow our adventures on our blog—[www.intotheunknown.world](http://www.intotheunknown.world). Hope all is well with everyone."

## 1970 CDS

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I hope all the classmates, family and friends reading this installment of the CDS '70 Class Notes are having a marvelous year and a relaxing summer.

I was tickled to hear from **J. D. Koch**. "J.D. here. My gig at Scottrade is finished. I'm back to Palm Beach and Quogue, Long Island, and so my second sojourn in St. Louis is over. Love your city. Look me up if you are nearby."

Master fisherman **Jeff Miller** checked in with the latest fishing news. "I've been doing a lot of fishing. The two new knees I had installed last year are paying big dividends this year. My main partner in crime is **Ed Potter**. We fished the Bahamas in April and are heading to Iceland in July and New Zealand in early 2019. (**Jon Heitner** and **Mike Burns** also allow me to fish with them.) I'll be sorry to miss our class dinner in September; I'll be in Slovenia in pursuit of the elusive marble trout."

I'm informed by **Ernie Planck** that he and **Larry Reed '71** had a fantastic visit to California. "This past May, we visited my cousin **Peter Wilson '71** at his new estate in Fallbrook, California, where Peter and his wife, Linda, grow avocados and citrus fruit. We toured the Southern California mountains and deserts for three days on motorcycles. Quite an awesome trip through Big Bear Lake, Idyllwild, and Borrego Springs. See you in September."

It is my solemn duty to report that longtime CDS teacher Robert Wells passed away in April at the amazing age of 101. **Bob Wells** reports that classmates who paid their respect at the visitation included **Tim Barksdale**, **Phil Estep**, **Wes Mellow**, **Ernie Planck**, **Ed Potter** and **Dan Stephens**. He received emails and letters from several others. Our thoughts are with Bob and his family.

**Phil Estep** and **Mooie Holmes Carpenter '70** are continuing to work on Phil's historic tax credit business. They have plans this summer for road trips to Kansas City to see some of his projects and to Indianapolis to attend the

wedding of the son of **Suzi Hoerr Davis '70**. Phil's oldest, Eliot, will be visiting from his home in Sweden in September for the first time in six years. They are really excited about this!

I was quite pleased to hear more good news from **Hal Bible**. "Just a quick note to let you know Chris and I just got home from a long but good day at Mayo. My MRIs were clear, endoscopy looked good, and my ENT surgeon gave me a hearty handshake as he said, 'Congratulations on your two-year anniversary, Hal. This is a big one for you!' It certainly felt that way to me. Thank you all so much for your love and support! It continues to be so important to me in this journey. It's okay to put the spiritual focus elsewhere as needed for a while, but don't put it away as I'll be calling again in six months."

The Class of '70 sends its best wishes to the family and friends of **Dee Hawes '71**, who passed away in June.

Life continues apace here in Carlisle, Massachusetts. I am retiring slowly, down to about 32 hours per week. Our big project now is producing the books in the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) book series. Cynthia continues to write for the *Carlisle Mosquito*, the town newspaper known for its clever name. Luke is finishing his B.S. in video/audio production this year. Rose is working part-time and pursuing her love of singing and guitar. I hope to see many of you at our reunion dinner in September!



*Ernie Planck '70 enjoys time on the motorcycle.*

## 1971 MI

**Laurie Jacobson Provost**

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I am a creature of habit and will save the bulk of the reporting for the last column of the year, but I did get a glimpse of how spring and summer unfolded for some of us around the world.

**Lisa Culver** came back from Cuba in June and loved it: “Three ports: Santiago de Cuba, Cienfuegos for UNESCO City of Trinidad and Havana overnight! I’m hooked!”

**Lucy Ferris** writes from Par-ee: “Summer has come to Paris. My blog posts about the spring—here in Paris, but also in Normandy, Copenhagen, Malmo, Amsterdam, Leiden, Nice, Milan, Lake Como, Munich and Prague—are on my website: [lucyferriss.com/blog/](http://lucyferriss.com/blog/). Son Dan is visiting now. I am coming back to Paris for the fall term. So if anyone’s passing through the City of Light September-December, give me a shout.”

**Peggy Gross Crawford** and **Michael ’70** went to Michigan over Memorial Day week. On the way back, they stopped in Chicago to see their daughters, Lacy and **Alison Crawford Feid ’04**. But it’s Alison and Jesse’s son who is the main attraction. Little Parker will celebrate his first birthday in September.

**Laurie Wolff Miller** and daughter **Margot ’06** are planning a trip to Norway in July, including an adventure above the Arctic Circle, in hopes of seeing wildlife including polar bears!

**Susan Krone Cabral** and husband Randy have been preoccupied with volcanic eruptions, vog and ash fallout since early May. “One of my photos of a steam and ash eruption at Halema’uma’u made it to our local news channel. Unfortunately, there’s no end in sight for the lava flows in Pahoia or the 2-3 daily earthquakes and ash eruptions here in Volcano. On the bright side, we are planning a trip to Alaska in August a railway adventure from Fairbanks to Denali, Anchorage and Seward!”

**Tish Johnson Hanna** always covers a lot of ground. “Again I was asked to coach the U.S. team at the World Team Championships in

China in early May. Then we traveled to Tahoe for daughter Ashley’s wedding. Son-in-law Nik Daferty and his huge family hosted a traditional three-day Indian celebration. My sisters and two of the eight (soon to be nine) grandchildren also attended. Ash and Nik will live in Reno, where she teaches at the University of Nevada. In between travel, I will still fit in my crossfit workouts and ruin my skin by the pool.”

**Lisa Niedringhaus** spent a long weekend in New York mid-June for the baptism of her fourth grandchild. She is returning at the end of June for two and a half weeks of playing grandma. Then it’s back to Texas because she can’t get enough of 100+ degree temps!

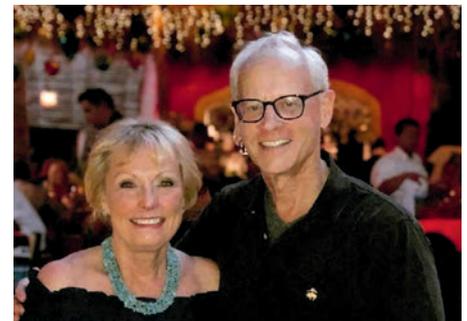
**Dana McBride Von Kohorn** knows how to keep things cool. Mid-June, she scooped up the family and went to Cabo: “Ken and I have the whole gang—Brooke and her Nashville boyfriend, Morgan and her new husband (married in September), his parents and his sister. We have a timeshare at Land’s End near the Marina and love it. Makes me think of our dear friend **Beth Ingham Reich**, as she and John came here frequently.”

As for me, **Laurie Jacobson Provost**, I’m feeling very grateful. Last October, my house was surrounded by wildfires on three sides. We were forced to flee twice in the middle of the night. In the end, our good fortune was someone else’s disaster. It’s been a life-changing experience. Our granddaughter, who will be four in September, is a delight, and we have become cliché grandparents pulling out photos without any prodding. As I write this, many of us are mourning the sudden and tragic loss of one of our own, **Richard Bartow “Dee” Hawes ’71**. Dee was someone I always looked forward to seeing: warm, smiling, ready to go, an enthusiastic participant in life. He leaves behind a shocked and saddened community of friends and family, a testament to his generosity of spirit. Our deepest condolences to his wife, Kelly, his sons **Bartow ’06** and **Nicholas ’08**, and his sisters: our class’s **Lissy Pollnow**, **Christy Bond ’69** and **Eleanor “Chachie” Brennan ’79**.

Make it count, my friends. Until next time...



*Susan Krone Cabral ’71 shares her newsworthy eruption photo.*

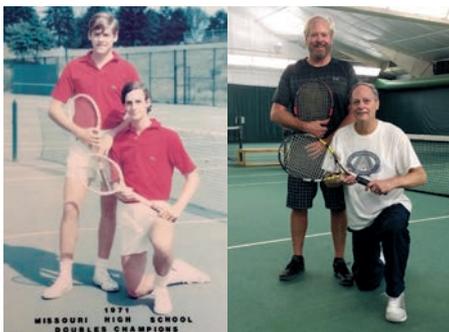


*Dana McBride Von Kohorn ’71 and her husband Ken Von Kohorn in Cabo.*

## 1971 CDS

**NELSON HOWE**

**Tom Collins** writes: “I retired from Northern Trust at the end of April, and Jenny left her teaching career in May. Within a week, we were in our second home in Fort Collins and will mostly stay there through the bulk of the summer. Daughter Beth and her husband, Ryan, have just moved to Elkhart, Indiana, and son **Tom ’01**, his wife, Julia, and our grandson Booker are in the process of moving to Truckee, California. We have been enjoying the great hiking and biking trails that permeate Fort Collins, not to mention the low humidity and cooler temps. We hosted **Dave ’72** and **Holly Hermann Gulick ’74** here recently and would welcome anyone in the area to stop by.”



*Then and now! Jay Jarvis '71 and Rick Gray '72 won the State Tennis Championship doubles together in 1971. They still play three mornings a week together and recently decided to recreate their photo 47 years later. A little less hair and one knee replacement later, the partnership still roars on.*

## 1972 MI

**Carol Bodine Lloyd** reports: "I have six grandchildren now. They all live five minutes from me. They range from 2 to 14. Five of them attend MICDS and love it. I am also very fortunate that my 94-year-old father lives close by and is very active. Life is good."

**Holly Hermann Gulick** reports: "All is well here with **David '72** and me. We love spending time both at the farm and with our two granddaughters, Carter and Emma (**Drew '02** and **Alix's** kids). Carter was born on April 19, 2018. Our other son, Clint, and his wife, Maddie, are enjoying life in Dallas. I am looking forward to connecting with everyone for our 45th reunion May 3-5, 2019!"

## 1972 CDS

**Pat Fihn** reports that he has retired to the life of a sculptor. You can see his work at [eyesoarstudios.com](http://eyesoarstudios.com).

**Peter Smith** writes: "My daughter, Toddy, and her husband, Nate Rakel, welcomed Grayson Christopher Rakel on December 31, 2017, my first grandchild. I am loving retirement, mixed with consulting in the television world. Nancy continues her work as a professor at Washington University School of Medicine, along with lecturing around the world in her field of

physical therapy. Now that I am not working full time, I look forward to joining her. It's also very helpful to be married to a physical therapist when you are trying to be a distance runner at our age. Best to all members of the class of 1972."

## 1973 MI

**Michele Caray McFadden** writes: "We had a wonderful time at Reunion Weekend. On a consistent basis, I still see **Michele Ely McGaffic** and **Christy Marx Barber**. I recently "found" **Joan Bell** and have been catching up with her as well. I am still working as a utilization review nurse for Behavioral Health but am now doing it as a remote position so I can visit son **David Cohen '01** and his family in Atlanta, Georgia, and son **Jonathan Cohen '05** and family in New York City. Missing my mom every day! How proud she would be of my boys! Husband Greg and I are getting ready for a much anticipated Alaskan Cruise with my sister, **Elizabeth Caray '80**, and her boyfriend. That will be followed up with mine and my dog Sophie's, annual trip to Christy Marx Barber's Lil Red Cabin on Crystal Lake, Michigan!"

## 1974 MI

**CASEY MALLINCKRODT**  
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A note from **Cathy Mellow Goltermann**: "I am still teaching at St. Peter's Playgroup, teaching extended day at Community School and working as a camp counselor at Burr-Oak Camp. We are thrilled to announce our daughter, **Christen Mellow Goltermann '09**, married **Peter Wetzel Grote '98** in June at Ladue Chapel Presbyterian Church. Catherine **Carole Goltermann '09** is teaching kindergarten at Holy Redeemer in Webster Groves. Our son, **Woody Goltermann '11**, completed his first year of Law School at Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Tampa, Florida, with honors and on the Dean's List. We are looking forward to spending some quality vacation time up north

in Minocqua, Wisconsin."

From **Muffy Roulhac Sewall**: "It has been a crazy busy 12 months! I am consulting in the medtech/life sciences start-up community here. In addition, David and I manage an event space in our renovated building. The money raised goes to a foundation in our son, Sam's, memory and is used for pediatric healthcare, children's sports and education. We took off to New Zealand and Australia for an amazing two-month adventure. I came home and had my hip replaced. After three months, I am good as new and happy to be on the go again."

**Sarah McCleery Striler** and **Cindy Kohlbry** went to visit **Harriet Travilla Reynolds** in Norfolk, Virginia, where Harriet has lived since shortly after college. They had so much fun sightseeing and visiting that they were unable to include any photos as evidence.

## 1975 MI

**LISA DENNIG COULTER**  
**KAT SCHNEIDER-CLARK**

**Kathy Krause** writes: "I am doing well. Teaching and loving it. In fact, I love it so much, I am teaching summer school, specifically reading. When I am not teaching, I take care of my menagerie, which consists of two cats and a dog. In addition, I am a member of the Central West End Association. I love my home, making the house I grew up in my own. Finally, I am involved with my church, St. Michael and St. George Episcopal Church."

## 1975 CDS

**Peter Tao '75** shares: "I am an executive producer of a documentary film, *DAY ONE*. I made it with a good friend from New York City days, who is now an award-winning producer and director in Los Angeles. The film is about a public school here in St. Louis that focuses on newcomer refugees and immigrant kids, K-10. We have not gone truly public yet, though we did premiere in May at the

Newport Beach Film Festival. The film websites is: [fromtheheartproductions.givecorps.com/projects/50324-documentaries-day-one](http://fromtheheartproductions.givecorps.com/projects/50324-documentaries-day-one).”

## 1977 MI

For **Katherine (Boo) Altvater**, it’s “life as usual” in St. Louis. Aside from visiting elderly parents, family and friends, reading, cable, JL&L, planting flowers and feeding her backyard wildlife—Boo is now the proud great aunt of Lennon Mary Altvater, daughter of her oldest nephew, **Hunter ’00** and Sadie Altvater, born May 14, 2018. They live in Chicago. On the home front, she frequently sees classmates **Erle Lionberger Broughton**, **Laura Primm Keppel**, **Laura Sprehe** and **Bruce Iverson ’77**.

## 1977 CDS



*You never know when you are going to meet someone from your alma mater. Ken Kim ’77 and Janie Kaiser ’11 met for the first time in the immigration line in Nepal. How fun that they realized they share an alma mater some 7,900 miles away from campus!*

## 1978 MI

### BARBARA MEROLLIS BISHOP

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**Barbara Merollis Bishop** writes: “Thanks to each and every one of you who made it to our 40th reunion! It was fun to catch up with each of you even if it did go by in the blink of an eye! We have a Facebook page, MI-CDS ’78. I encourage you to visit it and take a look at the great pictures from the weekend. Going forward, feel free to use that site to post events and updates in your area.”

**Memoria Lewis** writes: “So enjoyed seeing everyone at the reunion—what a blast! As expected, all looked fabulous! As for me, still in London, working hard and enjoying singing once again with my choir—nothing serious—pop with moves!”

We are pleased to announce that **Wendi Alper-Pressman** of Lathrop Gage was named to the *St. Louis Business Journal 2018* class of Most Influential Business Women. Congratulations, Wendi!

**Julie Hardesty Ferman** and husband Gil are loving life in Santa Fe, New Mexico, doing lots of hiking and skiing. Julie works with matchmaking clients in both Los Angeles and Santa Fe and coaches clients nationwide. Their boys, Alex (26) and Kevin (24), are thoroughly immersed in their passions, respectively golf and skateboarding, both living in Los Angeles.

The entire class extends our sympathies to **Candy Schattgen**, **Liz Fort Dorr** and **Cindy Kenton Heuermann** on the loss of their mothers.

## 1979 CDS

### PETE GULLBORG

CDS Class of 1979, it is hard to believe but next year we will celebrate our 40th reunion! All ideas to entice as many classmates as possible are welcome. Please circle the dates of Friday, May 3, and Saturday, May 4, for what will surely be a fun and memorable event! If you want to be involved in the planning, you may reach out to **Pete Gullborg** or **Frank Childress**.

Speaking of reunions, **Jeff Bebee**, **Richie Bry**, **Tripp Hardin**, **Bobby Lane**, **Jim Myer**, **Jack Waterbury** and **Charlie Windsor** recently staged a mini ’79 reunion and relived the infamous Mississippi River Festival days at the KSHE Pig Roast in St. Louis, featuring such high school throwbacks as Marshall Tucker, Charlie Daniels, Poco, Dave Mason and Molly Hatchet, with a surprise appearance by **Garneau Weld!** A great time was had by all.

**Mike Cohen** is still doing the camping thing. Thirty-four summers at Camp Timberlane for Boys in Woodruff, Wisconsin. He works with his wife and son running the camp and travels to St. Louis several times each winter to catch up with some CDS pals.

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## 1980 MI

### KIMBERLY RABENBERG BARNES

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**Melissa Chamberlain Bozesky** writes: “My oldest son graduated from college with his degree in accounting and works for World Wide Technology. My middle son, John, will be a senior in college and is spending the summer working for a minor league baseball team in Napa Valley, California. My youngest son, Drew, will be a junior in college and is spending the summer working for Apex Oil. My days are still spent running my company, Learning Consultants. We complete psycho-educational evaluations, social skills groups and academic coaching.”

**Barbi Cady Macon** continues to enjoy portrait photography in St. Louis and volunteers for the Lumina Program at BJC Hospice. Cady (29) works in sales for Equinox in San Francisco; William (26) is manager, state director and communications for Best Buddies International and living in Nashville; Georgia (25) is the head pastry chef for Behind the Bookstore in Martha's Vineyard; and Harrison (21) is a rising junior at Tisch School of the Arts, NYU. **Bill '77** continues to own and operate Ideal FBO at St. Louis Downtown Airport and is an active pilot.

## 1981 CDS

### DAVID WEISS

**Donald Rosenfeld** writes: "I am hoping to make a movie in and around St. Louis, beginning May 2019. I will direct this time: Mark Twain's *Huckleberry Finn*. I have started to cast a wide net to find an unknown actor to play the title role."

**Evan Benjamin** is currently living and working in Columbia, South Carolina, at an AmLaw100 national defense firm where he manages daily ediscovery productions. He recently became a Certified Blockchain Expert and a Certified Forensic Examiner and is helping to launch a video and film production company in Virginia.

## 1982 MI

**Kim Kovac Hukari** writes: "My husband, Scott, and I have lived in St. Petersburg, Florida, for almost 20 years now and have spent lots of time lately with **Louise Green O'Farrell** and her husband, Sean, who are now Florida residents, too! We had a great visit with **Chris Militello '82** and his amazing wife, Donna, and look forward to seeing them more as their son, Mitch, is now on the coaching staff of UCF Knights Football! My four boys are all grown up. The last is at Mizzou studying engineering. I teach in Pinellas County Schools and photograph the NFL and some college football on the weekends. Visitors are always welcome, and the beer is cold!"

## 1982 CDS

**Jim Pass** reports: "Michelle and I are now empty nesters in Winnetka. Ellie and Will graduated in June 2018 from New Trier and are off to George Washington University and Denison University, respectively. Andy is a senior at DePaul University, while Maddie lives in St. Louis, working for HLK."

## 1983 MI

**Cary Schneithorst Reed** writes: "My daughter, Cece (23), is a graduate student at University of Alabama at Birmingham in the lifespan developmental psychology Ph.D. program. My son Brooks (25) continues to work at Mercy Hospital. I work as a floral designer for my cousin, **Jack Holmes '02**, at Petals."

**Mimi Macchling Dickinson** writes: "We sure did miss everyone who could not make our 35th reunion. We had a wonderful weekend reminiscing about old times and catching up with everyone and their busy lives. A big thank you to all of those who contributed to our class gift. We came close to meeting our goal. If anyone is interested, the class representative position is open. We can have co-chairs if two of you want to do it together. Please contact Louise Jones at MICDS."



Members from the MI Class of '83 gather for their 35th reunion.

## 1983 CDS

**Thomas C. Wright, MD, FACPh, FACP** was recently designated a fellow of the American College of Phlebology. He earned this distinction through substantial commitment to his specialty and community because of his volunteerism, publication, education, years of practice and leadership. Dr Wright is a diplomate of the ABVLM, American Board of Venous and Lymphatic Medicine. He has won research awards for his original research on the treatment of venous disease.

**John and Virginia Howell '83** enjoyed catching up with classmates at the 35th reunion. They were amazed at how beautiful everyone looked after all these years. John is celebrating three years with Centene Corporation, while Virginia still enjoys her development work with COCA. **Jack '12** is doing terrific work with JP Morgan in Chicago, **Ford '16** is a thriving junior at SMU, and **Gini '20** celebrated a Missouri State lacrosse championship last spring.

## 1984 MI

**Margaret Bull Kovera** is adjusting to having an empty nest now that her daughter, Hope, is at Ithaca College studying music. Margaret, husband Craig and Hope all performed in a Memorial Day concert at Carnegie Hall, singing Rutter's *Mass of the Children* under the baton of Rutter himself. Margaret's latest book, *The Psychology of Juries*, was named the best book in psychology and law for 2018 by the American Psychology-Law Society. In addition to serving as a professor at the City University of New York, Margaret makes regular trips to the Netherlands to help their government evaluate forensic psychologists seeking to provide their expertise in the Dutch courts



Members of the MI Class of 1984 get together for coffee to visit with Irene Moore. (From left) Christy Kloecker Thompson, Irene Moore, Diane Dark, Trow Meier, Deb Dorton Dolan, Lynn Simowitz Phillips, Marion Strain Margulis and Liz Hardesty O'Keefe.

## 1986 MI

Anke Berg Majer writes: "Just a short note to remind you to let me know if your business or leisure travel plans bring you to Germany! Sean Kirkland '86 was visiting Frankfurt from San Diego on business in May, and we were able to connect! I joined him for an event before touring Frankfurt Cathedral and visiting an old castle in my hometown. Who knows? As our children are about the same ages (from 6-12 years old), we might arrange our own future student exchange. Warmest regards."

We are pleased to announce that **Jane Arnold** of Polsinelli and **Julie Lilly** of St. Louis Trust Co. were named to the St. Louis Business Journal 2018 class of Most Influential Business Women. Congratulations, Jane and Julie!

**Christy Higgins Hooper** lost her beloved mom, **Sally Woolwine Higgins '53**, in April. She would like to thank her friends who have supported her and her family in this time of sorrow.

## 1986 CDS

**Tom Schott** says: "Our older son, August, graduated from West Lafayette High School and was ranked No. 1 in his class, academically. A three-sport athlete (baseball, basketball and

football), he was named the state of Indiana's Scholar Athlete of the Year. August will attend the United States Naval Academy this fall."

## 1987 MI

**DREES A. CLINE**  
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**Wendy Brafman** writes: "Summer 2017 my husband and I moved from Kampala, Uganda to Amman, Jordan, where I am serving in a three-year assignment as the Chief of Staff at U.S. Embassy Amman. During our transition, we travelled to Alaska, spending time in Anchorage with the fantastic host **Kerry Meadows Carl** and her family. In addition to exploring Jordan, we've had the amazing opportunity to travel to Vienna, The Maldives, Egypt, Sri Lanka (where I saw the mother of **Samantha Gunawardhana Storey**) and Japan. In April, **Leslie Pearlman Jamka** and I travelled in Nepal together."

## 1987 CDS

**BOB KARN**  
**BRIAN RAHE**

**George Walker** writes: "Added baby Otis to our crew of munchkins."

## 1988 MI

**Libby Storts** writes: "Time flies. **Elsa '15** is a senior at the University of Arizona and is a pre-law major, with minors in political science and public policy. She is also a member of Delta Gamma and is a triple legacy. **Brick '16** is a junior at the University of Arizona going to Eller Business College to concentrate on sports management.

**Uzma Yasin Quader** writes: "All is well here. I had moved to Dubai for two years and had a wonderful experience. Now I am back in the U.S., and my husband and I are enjoying our "empty nest." It's bittersweet, but I am loving

my new independence. I have one at med school, one who is a senior (job hunting for something in animation, hint! hint!) and a sophomore interested in law. I hope all is well with everyone."

## 1988 CDS



CDS '88 alumni **Todd Baur**, **Tom Margulis**, **Jon Winer**, **David Bobigan** and **Jeff Coben** enjoyed a baseball outing as a part of their 30th reunion festivities.

## 1990 CDS

**Derek Bryant** owns and operates Blue Bell Farm, a wedding and event venue on their family farm near Fayette, Missouri. He has a wife, Jamie, and a daughter, Lillian.

**Burton Roberts** is excited to have his company, DreamJobbing, launch a pilot program with MICDS to help students with their career development. To learn more about this initiative and to sign up to help current students, visit [dreamjobbing.com/dreamjobs/MICDS](http://dreamjobbing.com/dreamjobs/MICDS).

## 1992 MI

**Christine Stark Kern** writes: "Aloha! I'm still living and loving it on the Big Island of Hawaii with my husband and two kids, Madelaine (10) and Ben (7). I recently celebrated two and a half years cancer free and am looking forward to a fall weekend getaway with **Claire Ennis Cashio**, **Catherine Horan Stuckenschneider** and **Emily Marshall Brady**. When I'm not

shuttling my daughter to swim meets and taking my son fishing, I stay busy as a private chef and managing our vacation rental home in Montana. Love to everyone!”

## 1993 MICDS

From **Sumner Charles**: “It was great to see so many of you at our 25th reunion this May. Things are great on my end. I took a sales executive job with MedImpact in May 2017. I work remotely from my house. My wife, **Jenny Leydig Charles ’94**, also enjoys her work as a senior property and casualty broker with Aon Corp., where she now leads a team of brokers. Lastly, we are excited that both our boys, **Summy ’27** and **Walker ’29**, started Lower School at MICDS in the fall of 2018. Hope you all are enjoying summer.”

## 1994 MICDS

From **Edwin Ernst**: “**Jeffrey Ernst ’97** and I, along with our partner, Zofia Sowers, started a new law firm, Sowers Ernst LLC. We practice in the areas of employment law and general civil litigation, family (divorce) law and criminal law.”

**Jeff Giles** was recently named vice president of corporate development at Core & Main, one of the nation’s largest distributors of water, sewer, storm and fire protection services. Jeff and his wife, Christina, have three wonderful kids at MICDS: **William ’21**, **Charlie ’22** and **Anna ’25**. They practically live on campus...literally!

## 1995 MICDS

**Alison Hillhouse** writes: “I’ve written a book! *Virtual Grandma* is a how-to guide on ‘virtually connecting’ with little ones up to age 5 using FaceTime, Skype, and other apps. The book was inspired by my mother and St. Louis resident, Nancy Hillhouse (aka ‘Gaga’), who creatively engages with my sons, Charlie and Theo, over FaceTime. *Virtual Grandma* is available on *Amazon.com*. For more information, check out *virtualgrandmabook.com*.”

**Joe Goldberg** is the St. Louis franchise owner for TruFusion, a new fitness and yoga destination now open in Clayton, and will oversee all aspects of the 17,000 square-foot facility, including an in-house restaurant, massage and childcare. TruFusion offers unlimited access to 65+ styles of group exercise classes, including pilates, boot camp, barre and spinning. More information is available at *TruFusionSTL.com*.



*Joe Goldberg ’95*

## 1996 MICDS

**Anthony Georgiadis** has recently moved back to Chicago, Illinois, with his wife, Katie, and their newborn, Anna. He is a partner with Green Thumb Industries Inc., a multi-state cannabis operator with operations in seven states (Illinois, Massachusetts, Nevada, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Florida and Ohio) that recently went public on the Canadian Stock Exchange.

## 1997 MICDS

**Sarah Wagman Ellenbogen** writes: “After five years in D.C. and seven in New York City, the Ellenbogen family is moving back to Los Angeles. We will now be only a few minutes from my parents and siblings. And, after 12 years at Google on the East Coast, I’m excited to be joining the YouTube family, where I’ll lead Global Partnerships for the YouTube Spaces team. Please look me up if you’re in L.A.!”

## 1998 MICDS

**Brad Urani** lives with his wife and 4-year-old daughter in Santa Barbara, California. Brad is a software engineer, hiker, skier and scuba diver. He loves California but misses good barbecue.

## 1999 MICDS

**Jennifer Belmont Jennings** writes: “I live in Webster Groves with my husband, Brent, and our son, Liam, and I recently joined HighTower St. Louis as a Wealth Advisor. I’ve enjoyed spending time with fellow ’99 classmates, and it’s been a lot of fun bringing our families together and watching our children start the next generation of friendships.”

**Aaron Martin** writes: “This summer, I took over as the attorney for USS Nimitz (CVN 68), moving from sunny Jacksonville, Florida, to the Seattle area. It only took nine moves, but I have finally succeeded in living in all four corners of the country.”

**Hannah Kaufman** writes: “I returned safely to Fort Bliss, Texas, from a tour in Bagram, Afghanistan, with the 1st Armored Division Sustainment Brigade. I am happy to be home with my husband, Conor, and our two children, Vivian (4) and Abe (2). We traveled to Washington, D.C. this summer where I did government appellate work at the U.S. Army’s Government Appellate Division.”

**Tory Miller Casey** reports: “2018 has been a wonderful year! Mike and I welcomed our second child, Colt Ames Casey, on May 25! Emma, our oldest, is having a lot of fun getting to know him, most of the time. We are still living in Delray Beach, Florida. I am going on my 4th year working for Kemble Interiors, which I love. This July 4, we had a family reunion in the Keys, and brother Gib and his fiancé from Los Angeles joined us! Have a great year!”



*Hannah Kaufman '99 serving as a member of the 1st Armored Division Sustainment Brigade.*

## 2000 **MICDS**

**John Potter** writes: "I started out the year opening two new hotels in Salt Lake City, Utah, adding to my real estate businesses and growing my hotel management company. I'm continuing to find success in car racing through our partnership with Audi Sport and my Magnus Racing team. Biggest news: My wife, Emily, and I welcomed our second son, William, on May 1."

**Michael Harvey** and his family have returned home to the Midwest. After serving for two years as rabbi of the Hebrew Congregation of St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands, Michael accepted a position, July 1, 2017, to be the rabbi of Temple Israel in West Lafayette, Indiana, outside of Purdue University. Michael's son, Asher, recently turned 3, and his wife, Barrie, continues her important work as an educational consultant with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Being close to St. Louis has allowed Michael to spend much more time with his friends and classmates, including **Amar Arekapudi**, **Alex Reed**, **Jonathan Gunther '01** and **Kristi Gunther '02**, **Locke George** and **Abigail George '01** (at whose wedding Michael officiated last year), as well as their wonderful families. Having missed the 10th and 15th reunions being overseas, Michael believes he will be available for the 20th!

## 2001 **MICDS**

We received word that **Amy Torbert '01** recently joined the Saint Louis Art Museum as assistant curator of American art. Previously, Amy has held curatorial fellowships in American art at the Harvard Art Museums, the Philadelphia Museum of Art and the Yale University Art Gallery. She holds a doctorate in art history from the University of Delaware, a master's degree in the history of art from Williams College and a bachelor's degree in art history from Hollins University.

## 2002 **MICDS**

From **Andrew Levine**: "Hey everyone! I recently left my post as co-founder of Green Matters to join the WWE to lead international digital and social content. When I'm not commuting to/from Stamford, Connecticut from New York City or visiting our international teams, you can find me following the greatest band in the existence of time, Phish. Hit me up if you're passing through town."

## 2003 **MICDS**

Having earned a Ph.D. in historical musicology at Columbia University, **Juliet Forshaw** is now an assistant professor of music history and literature at SUNY Oswego. She is also part of a musical duo, Avalon, which performs original acoustic guitar-based music in the Central New York area and released a CD in 2017. Avalon's music can be accessed at [facebook.com/avaloons](https://www.facebook.com/avaloons).

**Alison Reilly Menatti** writes: "I returned to St. Louis two years ago. I'm enjoying work as a clinical psychologist with a specialty in the treatment of anxiety disorders at Saint Louis Behavioral Medicine Institute. My husband, Andrew, is a clinical neuropsychologist and is opening a private practice, the St. Louis Center for Cognitive Health. We welcomed our son, Rhys William, in May 2017, and we are totally obsessed with him. Please reach out if you're in town!"

## 2005 **MICDS**

**Ashley White Walker** writes: "I celebrated my 8th wedding anniversary on July 16 with my husband, Brent Walker."



*Ashley White Walker '05 with husband Brent Walker.*

## 2007 **MICDS**

**Amira Makansi** recently published *Literary Libations: What to Drink with What You Read* through Skyhorse Press on September 4, 2018. The book offers drink pairing recommendations for nearly two hundred classic and contemporary works of fiction. Now book lovers everywhere can finally raise a proper toast to the greatest novels of all time. Find *Literary Libations* at your favorite local bookstore or online at Amazon, Barnes and Noble or [IndieBound.org](https://www.indiebound.org).

## 2010 **MICDS**

**Ashley Engler Christian** and husband Elliot celebrated their third wedding anniversary earlier this year and their twin daughters' 3rd birthday in July. Ashley's husband works in commercial insurance in Clayton, and Ashley is currently starting a small interior design business, Hive Interiors. They currently live in Warson Woods, Missouri.



*The work of Lloyd Schermer '45, which appears at the entryway of the Jefferson Memorial ARCH Museum.*

**Amos Bartelsmeyer '13** just ended an impressive season and career running track for Georgetown University. During his tenure, Amos ran the mile under four minutes on three separate occasions, with a PR of 3:57.53. He was also part of six different distance medley relay teams to run under 9:30. Amos recently finished 9th in the 1,500M at the NCAA Track and Field Championships and earned Second Team All-America honors. He also competed at the USATF Outdoor Championships, where he placed 20th in the first round of competition, falling short of advancing to the 12-athlete final. Congrats on an incredible run, Amos!

**Jordan Breck '09** was named one of the 2018 St. Louis Business Journal's *30 Under 30*. Jordan is the vice president and partner at Midwest Retail Properties, a company with a national reputation in real estate acquisitions.

**Jennifer Ann Brodsky '04**, owner of Jennifer Ann Designs, used her love for both children and crafting to create Be Amazing! Be You!—an exciting new curriculum used at Hawthorne Leadership School for Girls to educate students on the various elements of entrepreneurship. Be Amazing! Be You! is an enrichment program dedicated to empowering young women with the tools and confidence to use their passions and

talents as they learn to build a business. With activities tailored toward brand-building exercises, Jennifer offers an in-depth understanding of those practices necessary for her students to progress toward becoming entrepreneurs of the future.

"I wanted to teach the students the process of following their dreams and more importantly how to do so," Jennifer said. She holds a master's degree in school guidance counseling from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas.

A sculpture commissioned by **Lloyd Schermer '45** was erected in the entryway at the Jefferson Memorial ARCH Museum in time for its grand opening on July 3. Lloyd's art career started when he was a 10-year-old Cub Scout sculpting in clay, though he revived his passion after a 55-year hiatus when he took his first art course at the Anderson Ranch Arts Center in Snowmass Village, Colorado. As a former newspaper publisher, Lloyd uses the metal and wood block type as well as other materials used in letterpress printing to create one-of-a-kind works of art.



*Amos Bartelsmeyer '13*



*Jordan Breck '09*



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"Go out and give your own sacrifice by putting service to others and country ahead of yourself. You will honor us by living and leading with honor."

— USAF COLONEL MATTHEW R. BROOKS '92



USAF COLONEL MATTHEW R. BROOKS '92

Students look on as a B-52 plane flies over campus at the conclusion of the Memorial Day Assembly.

USAF Colonel **Matthew R. Brooks '92** served as this year's Memorial Day Assembly speaker. Brooks attended the United States Air Force Academy, where he was a letterman on the football team. After graduating from the Academy and receiving his commission in 1996, Matt attended pilot training, earning his wings in 1998. Matt has served multiple overseas tours of duty flying combat missions over Iraq and Afghanistan in the decade following the 9/11 terrorist attacks. He has also served at the Pentagon, United States Central Command Headquarters and represented the United States as a Defense Fellow at the Geneva Center for Security Policy in Switzerland. Currently, he serves as the Commander of the 5th Bomb Wing at Minot Air Force Base in North Dakota.

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**A May Tradition: May Day has been a tradition since the earliest moments at Mary Institute and continues as a staple of the MICDS experience. Here's a look at May Day in 1931 and 2018.**