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Lisa Lyle  
Head of School

By the time you open this issue of *MICDS Magazine*, the school year will be more than halfway over. That reality makes me shake my head in disbelief, especially this year as David and I prepare for our move to Zurich, Switzerland.

As you know, Jay Rainey has been selected by the Board of Trustees to serve as Head of School beginning July 1, 2019. Jay brings a wealth of experience in independent schools and beyond, and it has been great fun collaborating as we work to ensure a smooth transition. I have great optimism about MICDS' future under Jay's leadership, and I know he will be a wonderful steward of this fine school. I am sure you will enjoy reading more about him in this issue.

The history buffs among you may realize that this fall marked the 100th season of CDS Football. The Rams made their way to the State Championship in Columbia, playing against Ladue in a War on Warson battle! And how fitting it was that Ron Holtman made it to the second-round playoff game just a few days before his passing on November 7. His memorial service in Brauer Auditorium was filled with family, friends and colleagues who came together to bid farewell to this great man.

Only seven weeks earlier, we had gathered in Brauer Hall to celebrate the life of Charlie Gillis. Most recently, Charlie had created the CODASCO football video celebrating the 100th season of CDS Football—a beautiful final tribute from him to his beloved School. Despite the sadness we all feel, the community rallied in support of each other and in honor of Ron's and Charlie's legacies.

As you browse the rest of the magazine, I invite you to learn more about the important role philanthropy plays in the promise of excellence in education. You will also have the chance to learn more about our faculty and how they are constantly working on continuing their own education to benefit students here at MICDS.

Finally, please mark your calendars for a wonderful celebration on Saturday, May 11, at Grant's Farm. Together, we will gather as a community to mark the success of the Bold Action Campaign, and I will have the opportunity to bid a fond farewell to this community. I look forward to seeing you there, so please save the date!

My final year at MICDS is passing all too quickly. I am trying to savor every moment, every tradition, every experience. As I reflect on my tenure here at MICDS and on our School community, gratitude fills my heart. It truly is the people who make MICDS such a special place, and I am thankful for you all.

Warmly,

*Lisa Lyle*

Jay Rainey will serve as MICDS' next Head of School beginning July 1, 2019.

# MICDS Board Appoints New Head of School

The MICDS Board of Trustees has appointed **Jay Rainey** as MICDS' next Head of School after a thorough, eight-month search. The search included candidates from top domestic and international schools and in-person interviews with a strong pool of candidates with gender, ethnic, racial and geographic diversity and exceptional professional experiences and track records.

**Michelle Leith Cohen '88**, Chair of the MICDS Board of Trustees, said, "Jay's strong leadership qualities, excellent interpersonal skills, commitment to academic excellence and extraordinary successes as an independent school educator and administrator position him to lead our great School."

Rainey comes to MICDS from Randolph School, a K-12 independent school with 950 students, where he has served as Head of School since 2014. Prior to

Randolph School, Rainey spent 12 years at Norfolk Academy, where he served as a math and English teacher, coach and college counselor before being promoted to Director of Studies and, ultimately, Assistant Head for Academic Affairs.

"Jay has a warm, approachable presence and collaborative style that invites and respects all points of view. He values diversity and cares deeply about building and nurturing a welcoming, inclusive community where every member feels a sense of value and belonging," Cohen said.

"I am thrilled and humbled by the opportunity to lead a school established by the vision of William Greenleaf Eliot in 1859, advanced by the vision of Lisa Lyle over the last 12 years and sustained by the vision of the faculty, administrators and trustees today," Rainey said. "I am committed to furthering educational opportunities for individual students in consonance with the MICDS Mission and

Strategic Plan, and I am equally committed to prioritizing a collective spirit of compassion, selflessness and love of School during my tenure as Head. My family and I are grateful and excited to join such a proud and thriving School community."

Rainey also has eight years of entrepreneurial and business experience. He earned a master's degree from the College of William & Mary and an undergraduate degree from Princeton University. He is an avid reader and also enjoys playing piano, riding his bike and taking walks with his wife, Ruth. Together, they have two children and an English bulldog.

Current MICDS Head of School **Lisa Lyle** announced in January 2018 that she will leave her position at the end of the 2018-2019 school year when her third and current contract expires. She will continue to serve as Head of School through June 2019.





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Kate Trowbridge '19

Kate Trowbridge '19 poses with some of her classmates from the Yale Young Global Scholars Program.

## Summer Research at Yale

This past summer was filled with fun and adventure for many students—but also a lot of hard work! For example, **Kate Trowbridge '19** participated in the Yale Young Global Scholars (YYGS) program, a summer academic enrichment and leadership program that brings together outstanding high school students from around the world for intensive two-week sessions on Yale's campus. Trowbridge had the chance to conduct research, including her favorite project, where she studied how a proteolysis targeting chimeras molecule could be synthetically attached to a keratinase molecule in order to degrade a prion.

“The Yale Young Global Scholars was an amazing experience. I met so many people from all over the world who had very different lives in comparison to mine,” she said. “I really enjoyed the program because it allowed me to thoroughly research, understand and design a solution to problems involving this prion.”

Speaking of Yale, **Kate Yuan '22** also spent time on the New Haven campus as part of the Summer Institute for the Gifted Residential Program. There she learned more about DNA diagnostics and medical microbiology and even had the chance to draft a grant proposal for research of the gene Lin28a and its effects on mice and their regenerative abilities.





### STARS Program Award Winners

Fatima Ali '19  
 Jeffrey Desloge '19  
 Haniya Habib '19  
 Daniel Hochberg '19  
 Srujay Pandiri '19  
 Rida Qazi '19  
 Anna Grace Yuska '19

### National Merit Semifinalists

Hope Abel '19  
 Julia Amato '19  
 Mimi Klahr '19  
 Jacob Tielking '19  
 Margaret Woodburn '19  
 Andrew Zhao '19

## MICDS Honors National Merit Semifinalists

This fall, the Upper School held its annual Recognition Assembly, where students were honored for high levels of individual academic achievement. Dr. Ken Mares, Director of the Students and Teachers as Research Scientists (STARS) program, presented awards to students who participated in the challenging research program while Director of College Counseling **Matt Essman** and Head of Upper School **Scott Small** presented awards to the National Merit Semifinalists.

To conclude the assembly, Assistant Head of School **Brian Thomas** shared his congratulations and a reflection on the hard work each student in the MICDS community puts forth day in and day out to pursue their academic goals.

Thomas shared, "You achieve because you dare greatly—maybe not today on this stage, but in the small and large ways that people achieve. An act of kindness here or a discovery there. You all achieve because you dare to put yourselves out there to become new and reborn every day—into better versions of yourselves."



# Honoring a Legacy: Ron Holtman

In November, MICDS' beloved former coach and teacher **Ron Holtman** passed away peacefully at the age of 90. Just before his passing, he attended a football game to watch his beloved Rams in Ron Holtman Stadium, which was dedicated just a year ago in his honor. And in recent years, Ron saw two of his grandchildren graduate from MICDS.

Ron Holtman's storied career at Saint Louis Country Day School and MICDS spanned five decades. He was inducted into the Missouri Football Coaches Hall of Fame in 1992 and was also named the Missouri Football Coach of the Year in 1979, 1986, 1996 and 2004. During his career as Head Football Coach at MICDS, the Rams took home seven State Championship titles in 10 appearances. He led the team to three semifinal appearances and finished with an overall record of 324-70-5 at Saint Louis Country Day and MICDS.

Ron's final contest as Head Football Coach was among the fondest memories of his coaching career. During that game, MICDS overcame a 25-point deficit to capture Holtman's seventh title for the 45-42 double overtime win against defending champion Harrisonville. In a game described as the "most popular and improbable victory in Missouri championship history" by the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, it was a dramatic ending to an incredible career.

At the time of his retirement from coaching football, Ron ranked first in wins among all active Missouri coaches and was among the winningest coaches in Missouri prep history. In addition to football victories, Ron also led the Boys Golf team to seven State Championships.

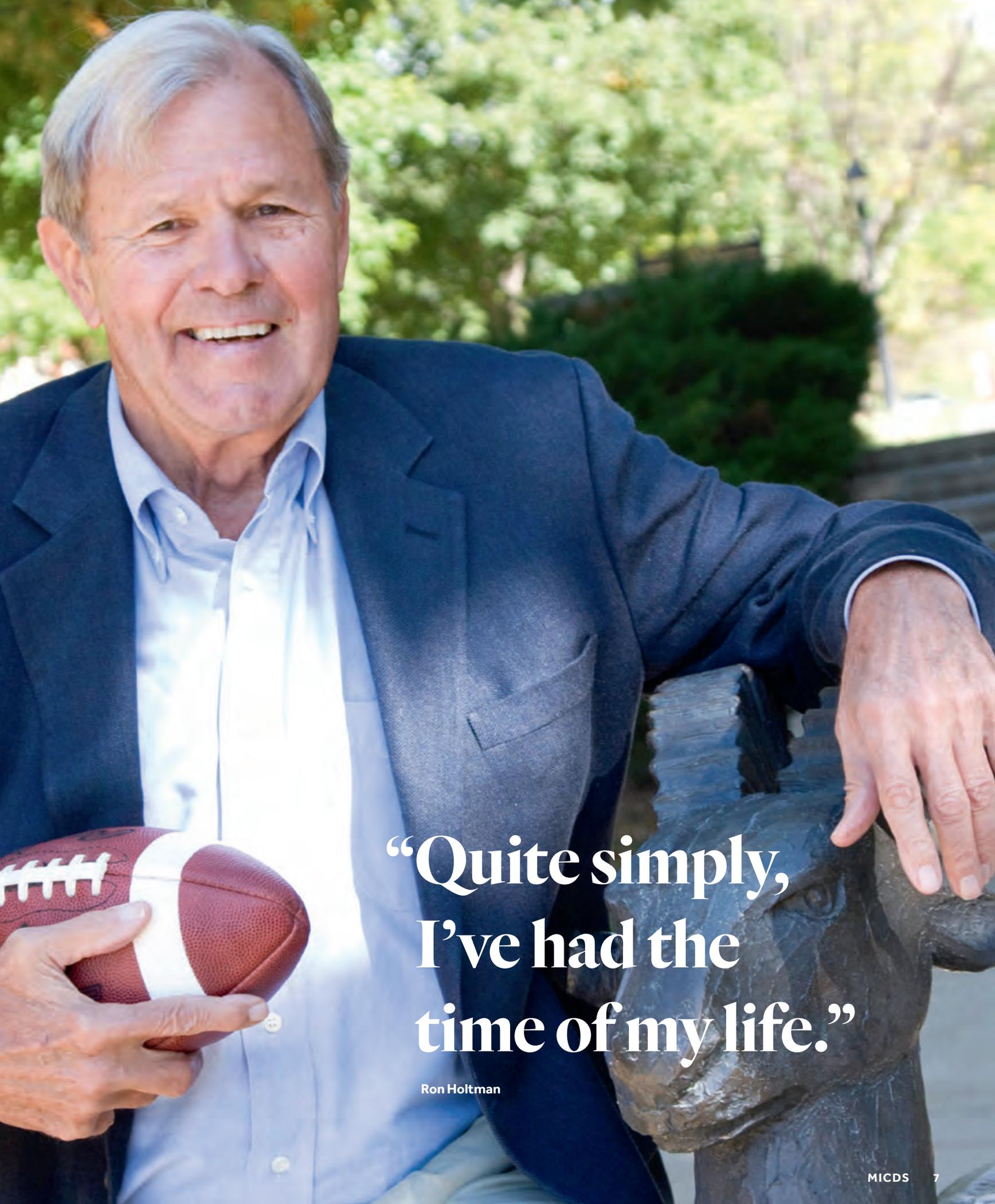
Ron was also well-loved in the classroom as a history teacher, an advisor and a mentor. It's hard to imagine how many young people's lives he helped shape. Even after retiring, following a record 39 years as Head Football Coach at our School, Ron continued to be an active and present member of the MICDS community, from coaching golf to partnering with the School's development office.

"These are just a few of the highlights that capture Ron's exceptional legacy. But what's most important is that he exuded the MICDS qualities of compassion, kindness and generosity and extended his enormous heart to each and every person he met," said Head of School **Lisa Lyle**.

How fitting that, during last fall's dedication of Ron Holtman Stadium, Ron was able to share his immense gratitude for this special place. During that dedication, he said, "Quite simply, I've had the time of my life."

"I couldn't think of a better phrase as Ron passes from this earth, and it gives us solace knowing that he truly lived out his purpose," Ms. Lyle said. "Our hearts, thoughts and prayers go out to Maggie and the entire Holtman family during this time. May we take comfort knowing that Ron lived a full life of purpose and service, truly embodying the Saint Louis Country Day School and MICDS Mission. His legacy will continue to reverberate throughout this community for generations to come."





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Ron Holtman

As a student, Willie Epps '88 presents before his Country Day School classmates.

## **Willie Epps '88**

**Before he became a United States Magistrate Judge; before he worked on the Waco investigation with Sen. Jack Danforth; and before he went to Harvard Law School and Amherst College, The Honorable Willie J. Epps Jr. '88 had to pass Gary Kamper's AP Chemistry class at Saint Louis Country Day School.**

## It was no easy task.

Despite being a bit of a renaissance man at CDS—he played three sports, served as student body president, acted in school plays and worked on the newspaper—Epps struggled so mightily in chemistry his sophomore year that **Gary Kamper** advised his former student not to take the AP iteration as a senior. But Epps knew he needed a demanding schedule to be the best college applicant, so he was determined to master the subject.

“I struggled at times in that class,” Epps said, “but I have very fond memories of Gary Kamper tutoring me a few times a week during his lunch periods to make sure that I would do as well as I could.”

Epps did indeed succeed at AP Chemistry and matriculated to Amherst College for his undergraduate studies, but those lunch-period study sessions were not easily forgotten as Epps left St. Louis. Nearly 30 years after Epps graduated from CDS, Gary Kamper travelled to Jefferson City to attend his former pupil’s investiture as magistrate judge.

When remembering his time at CDS, Epps thinks most fondly about mentors like Kamper and the devotion those mentors showed him. Beyond Kamper, there was **Graylon Tobias**, an assistant varsity basketball coach; **Dr. John Johnson**, then-headmaster; and **Senator Jack Danforth '54**, a CDS alum who took Epps under his wing.

Danforth, in particular, proved a crucial connection. During Epps’ undergraduate days, Danforth offered him a summer internship in his office, exposing the future lawyer to new experiences and opportunities while deepening the relationship between the two CDS alumni. Then, after Epps served as a judge advocate in the Air Force for four years, Danforth tapped him to act as assistant special counsel in the Waco investigation.

Only 29 years old, Epps found himself at the center of one of America’s most famous investigations. The team Danforth assembled collected evidence so they could determine what happened in Waco that spring.



## “I’ve been around great mentors, so I try to be that mentor to this day.”

“I watched someone over that period of almost two years exude excellence, integrity and honor,” Epps said of his former boss. “He put together an incredibly talented, diverse team, and I just felt blessed to be in the room.”

For most, working on an investigation of such importance would be the pinnacle of a law career; but for Epps, it was far too early for him to peak. For the next 17 years, he continued to practice law in many capacities, doing criminal and civil cases, prosecuting and defending, partnering at law firms and working as in-house counsel. All those experiences, he said, led to his appointment as federal magistrate judge in 2017.

But adjustment from the courtroom floor to the bench isn’t as easy as putting a new title on a desk nameplate. With over two

decades of practicing law programmed into his brain, Epps remembers that it took him some time to quiet his lawyer-like impulses.

“When you first become a judge, you still feel more like a trial lawyer,” Epps said. “Sometimes you instinctively want to help that lawyer make better arguments, and you cannot do that as a judge. You see strategic decisions that lawyers are making, and you know you would have made different strategic decisions. But you have to bite your tongue.”

Epps boils the difference down to these mindsets: Lawyers “zealously advocate,” while as a judge “you just sit back and see.”

“There’s something pretty refreshing about it—to be neutral in a trial versus an advocate at trial,” Epps said.

While Epps maintains that his most memorable case is always the last one he’s presided over, he does admit that he finds jury trials more fascinating than others. It’s the atmosphere of a jury trial that draws him in—how two parties present their versions of events and attempt to persuade a dozen peers that their story is based more on truth than the other.

Epps most recently worked a trial that involved a construction worker who had been hurt on the job and could no longer work or even care for himself. The jury in that case had to decide if the machine had malfunctioned, and if so, how much in damages the man should be awarded.

To most, nothing about that trial sounds intriguing or different. The story has been recreated for television dramas time-and-time again. But for Epps, each trial has its own nuances, borne from the different compositions of every jury and the different strategic decisions lawyers make. Every case is vitally important to Epps because he enjoys the process of trying every case.

Judging is the perfect next step for the man who has never let a subject master him. Being a judge allows him to be constantly exposed to new problems, new fields and new understandings.

When he's not on the bench, Epps spends as much time as he can with his wife, Mischa Buford Epps, and their three-year-old daughter, Cambridge. But beyond family time, Epps seeks to be as devoted a mentor as Gary Kamper and Jack Danforth were for him, passing the baton as the former track star might say.

"I spend a lot of time with law students and young lawyers, offering career advice and connecting them to others who can help further their careers. The Country Day family has done that for me time and time again," Epps said. "I've been around great mentors, so I try to be that mentor to this day."

When Epps was at Country Day School, he said he was inspired to do anything he could dream of. Now he hopes his success as both a lawyer and a judge becomes an inspiration for a new generation of MICDS students.



Epps serves as a U.S. Magistrate Judge.



Middle and Upper Schoolers make moon cakes together.

## A Cross-Division Chinese Celebration

Eighth grade students studying Chinese visited the Upper Schoolers to celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival. The classes, along with a few parents, experimented in the kitchen as they made moon cakes, a traditional dessert served during the festivities.

Ninth grader **Nadine Mudd '22** shared, "It's great that we can celebrate a Chinese holiday here." She and her peers embraced the opportunity to experience such a wonderful cultural tradition as part of their Mandarin 400 class.

After making moon cakes, students video-chatted with a local chef to learn about some of the traditional Chinese food items found at his bakery. During their visit, the students also learned how matcha tea is made. It was a great opportunity for students to practice their conversational skills, as the question-and-answer session was conducted exclusively in Mandarin.



## A Supreme Escape Act

U.S. History students had a tough escape act to follow this year, as their teachers created a real-life "escape room" based on major court cases on constitutional issues regarding freedom of speech, the Privacy Act, freedom of religion and more.

"The students researched the extent to which citizens have this constitutional right," U.S. History Teacher **Marshall McCurties** said. "They used the results of the court case and two other legal court precedents that they researched to argue their point."

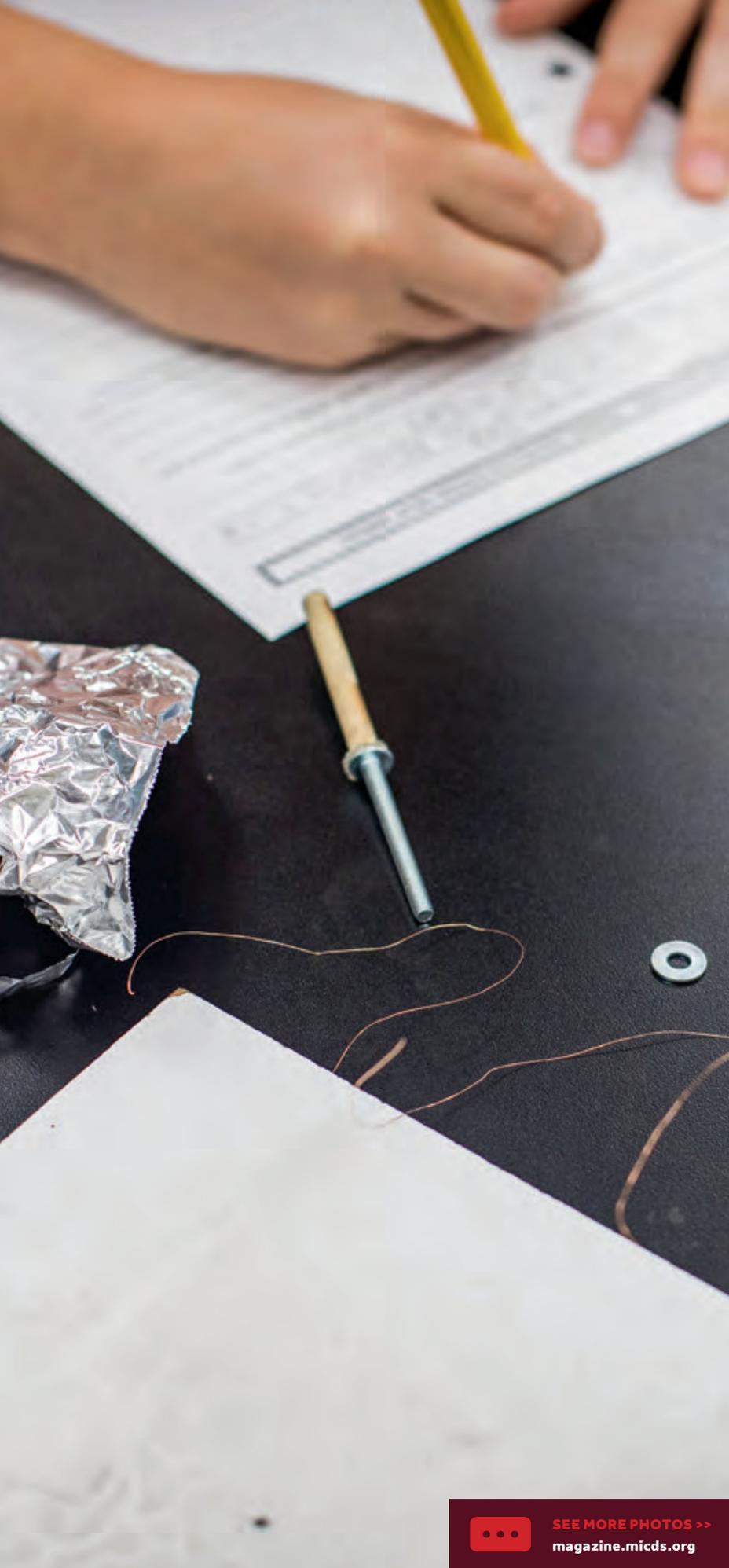
After that, the students came together to participate in an escape room based on the information they researched. The room was designed with an ordered series of questions/prompts, each of which related to a court case.

"When the students receive the first clue, they should have an idea about the court case it relates to. That clue leads to the answer and the next clue, just like a normal escape room does," McCurties said.

Some of the props in the escape room included locked boxes containing hidden clues, newspapers and iPads to decode parts and black-lit flashlights to reveal hidden ink. Student teams could escape the room only if each student in the team had a solid understanding of their court case.



The escape room project, complete with locked boxes and hidden clues, was no small feat for Upper School history students.



Fifth Grade Science Teacher Branson Lawrence demonstrates the heat-shield experiment.

## Fifth Graders Take the Heat

This fall, 5th graders were presented with an engineering design challenge that provided a hands-on investigation into different types of heat transfer. Given only a few materials, students designed a shield to protect a bolt from heating up and melting glue adhered to a wooden rod, causing the structure to fall apart. An unprotected bolt lasts only four seconds under a blowtorch, so students were tasked with designing a shield that could extend that time.

The students were able to work on their shields in a newly renovated lab space. "It proved to be an excellent area for the class to discuss the challenge and collaborate with group members," said Fifth Grade Science Teacher **Branson Lawrence**.

Once built, students tested their heat shields outside. The top group was able to keep their glue protected from the blowtorch for over a minute! This experiment concluded the students' first Earth Science unit and gave them a better understanding of the differences between conduction, convection and radiation.



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Third graders excitedly watch the black plastic weather ballon rise as it absorbs heat.



# A Bag Full of Weather!

Third graders in **Christy Moore's** classroom recently expanded their knowledge of weather patterns and how hot and cool air affect them. This particular experiment was just one part of their weather unit in 3rd grade science.

Students observed a black plastic bag rising as it absorbed heat. As a follow-up, students did the same experiment with clear and white trash bags. Students saw the black bag rise into the air while the clear and white bags remained grounded.

"Black is better at absorbing the energy from the sun. The white bag reflected much of the sun's rays and did not heat up; and the clear bag was transparent, so the rays went right through the bag and did not heat up the air inside," said Moore.

Moore also explained to students that after the air rises, it cools. This causes water vapor in the air to condense, creating clouds and precipitation.



# Faculty Expands Horizons Through Summer Sabbaticals

Last summer, several faculty members traveled across the country and around the world to enhance their knowledge and teaching.

Upper School History Teacher **Marshall McCurties** visited Olympic National Park and interviewed various Native American communities as part of his summer sabbatical. His objective was to learn more about the role of storytelling, language and culture within the tribes. McCurties listened and learned of the communities' struggles with land preservation and rights to access water for fishing and logging and land for hunting and road service. He was also able to join in a celebration of Native American rituals and food—including a salmon smoke. Overall, Mr. McCurties' sabbatical experience helped him reflect on the way he understands language, culture and narrative. He returned to MICDS eager to share his learning with his students.

Upper School History Teacher **Tanya Roth** visited Cambridge University for a one-week seminar, Why History Matters, through Oxbridge Academic Programs. As one of 20 faculty members present, she ventured all over England to learn about the British history system, ancient magic rituals and so much more. "The opportunity to meet faculty from Cambridge and teachers from schools around the world was incredible. Hearing their perspectives on how they teach history helped me come away with new ideas and understanding about my favorite subject," she said.

While there, Dr. Roth embraced all that England had to offer. From enjoying a spot of tea and stopping by Benjamin Franklin's house to exploring Trinity College Library and the Cambridge American Cemetery, she made the most of her time abroad.

Upper School English Teacher **Celeste Prince** also had the chance to travel this summer for professional development. To prepare for a new course called Literature of the Black Diaspora, Prince visited Ghana to learn more about both her own ancestry and the subject matter. While in Accra, for example, she visited the slave dungeons and the oceanside where people were first shipped off as part of the transatlantic slave trade. Prince reflected, "I never really knew where I was from until I saw where it all started."

"Ghana has such a long history, yet it's only been independent since the '60s. It's a prime example of a country whose people were colonized and then set free, reinforcing the historical narrative that people of color were not believed to be in charge of themselves," she said. "My goal for the class is to flip that narrative—to remind students that we people of color have always belonged to ourselves."

In the course, students read and discuss literature, listen to music and study art that focuses on representation, presentation and performance of blackness.



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01. Tanya Roth embraces tea culture in England.

02. Celeste Prince explores the black diaspora in Ghana.





Patrick Huber during a tech rehearsal in Price Theatre.

## MICDS Arts Faculty Walk the Walk

At MICDS, we have long insisted that arts teachers also be practicing artists, supporting their work and the time and energy it requires. Though the dual occupation leaves little time for other activities, Upper School Fine Arts Teacher **Patrick Huber** and Upper School Fine & Performing Arts Department Chair **Brad Heinemann** said they wouldn't have it any other way.

"I have very little life outside of those two things," Huber said, laughing. Heinemann agreed, explaining that having his sculpture studio at his home makes finding time to work a bit easier.

Recently, all the work outside of teaching has paid off for both: Huber was selected to design the set for a 17th-century opera at Yale University, and Heinemann was one of eight sculptors chosen out of 67 from across the country to have his work displayed in O'Fallon Parks and Recreation Department's Shape of Community sculpture series.

For Huber, a veteran of set design around St. Louis, working on the Yale opera represents a return to his roots. Instead of working solely with a computer-modeling software, Huber has begun sketching, using

pencil and paper for the first time in years. It's proof of a practice that he teaches architecture students at MICDS.

"It's taking inspiration from the constraints," Huber said. "You have to find a way for those restrictions to force a creative solution rather than being an excuse that prevents one."

In the professional art world, there's no checklist or how-to guide to follow. Each project requires its own attention and its own creative solution, Huber stresses.

Breaking students out of that linear thinking is one of Heinemann's favorite parts of teaching and one of his biggest challenges—and why he created the sculpture curriculum at MICDS. Many of his sculpture students come to his class having only worked in two dimensions, so he teaches them to think about their work from all sides.

"In my sculpture classes, I try to teach students to work through a process, engage in problem solving and create a product," Heinemann said. "We're not going to be hanging it on the wall. You need to think 360 degrees. You need to think about how it looks from a different angle."

Working in the round, as Heinemann calls it, is what drew him to sculpture in the first place—that and being around a father who was a professional sheet metal worker.

Huber fell into set design accidentally. While struggling in his studies at the University of Missouri, his then-girlfriend was working on fashion shows that needed a lighting designer. Huber stepped up, and that job led to another at City Players of St. Louis, which introduced him to Milton Zoth and eventually to his current job at MICDS.

By the time Huber went to Webster Conservatory for design, he was getting all A's because he was doing something he loved. This leads to Huber's most important lesson for his students: passion. Being a professional artist can be a bumpy road, and he doesn't hide that. What he does is show his students that to excel at what you love, you have to be passionate, no matter the struggles.

"I can share with the students the trials and tribulations of a working designer in real time and then bring the passion of doing it," Huber said. "They see authentic passion. You can't fake that stuff."



## Spirit Abounds During Homecoming Weekend

The MICDS community came together for a weekend of fun and school spirit at this year's Homecoming Weekend. The weekend kicked off with the Beasley parade, the Middle School Pep Rally and Food Truck Friday in the evening. Students, parents, alumni, faculty and staff gathered in Founders' Court and Parking Lot A to eat, socialize and listen to performances by Upper School students.

Next, the community moved into McDonnell Gymnasium for the Pep Rally. The bagpipers led the way as varsity sports teams entered one by one, pumping up the crowd and introducing their teams. The crowd then followed the bagpipers across campus, where the football team lit a bonfire and sang the CDS fight song.

Saturday's festivities began with a literal "bang" as racers took off during the MICDS-JBS Fun Run. Dressed in spirit wear, racers started their 2.5-mile walk or run at MICDS and finished at the JBS campus.

Families gathered at the MAC later in the day to attend the MICDS Family Carnival. The carnival featured games, prizes, face painters, balloon artists and inflatable playhouses, offering something for kids of all ages.

All the while, varsity sports contests took place on John Burroughs' campus. The Rams were victorious in many of those contests, making for an incredible end to a great Homecoming Weekend.



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- 01 The Ram rallies a packed crowd during the Varsity Football game.
- 02 The Middle School Pep Rally includes all kinds of fun competitions, including scooter board races.
- 03 Upper Schoolers show school spirit during the running of the Rams.
- 04 A group of students gathers outside Brauer Hall to listen to music during Food Truck Friday.
- 05 Bagpipers perform to kick off the pep rally.

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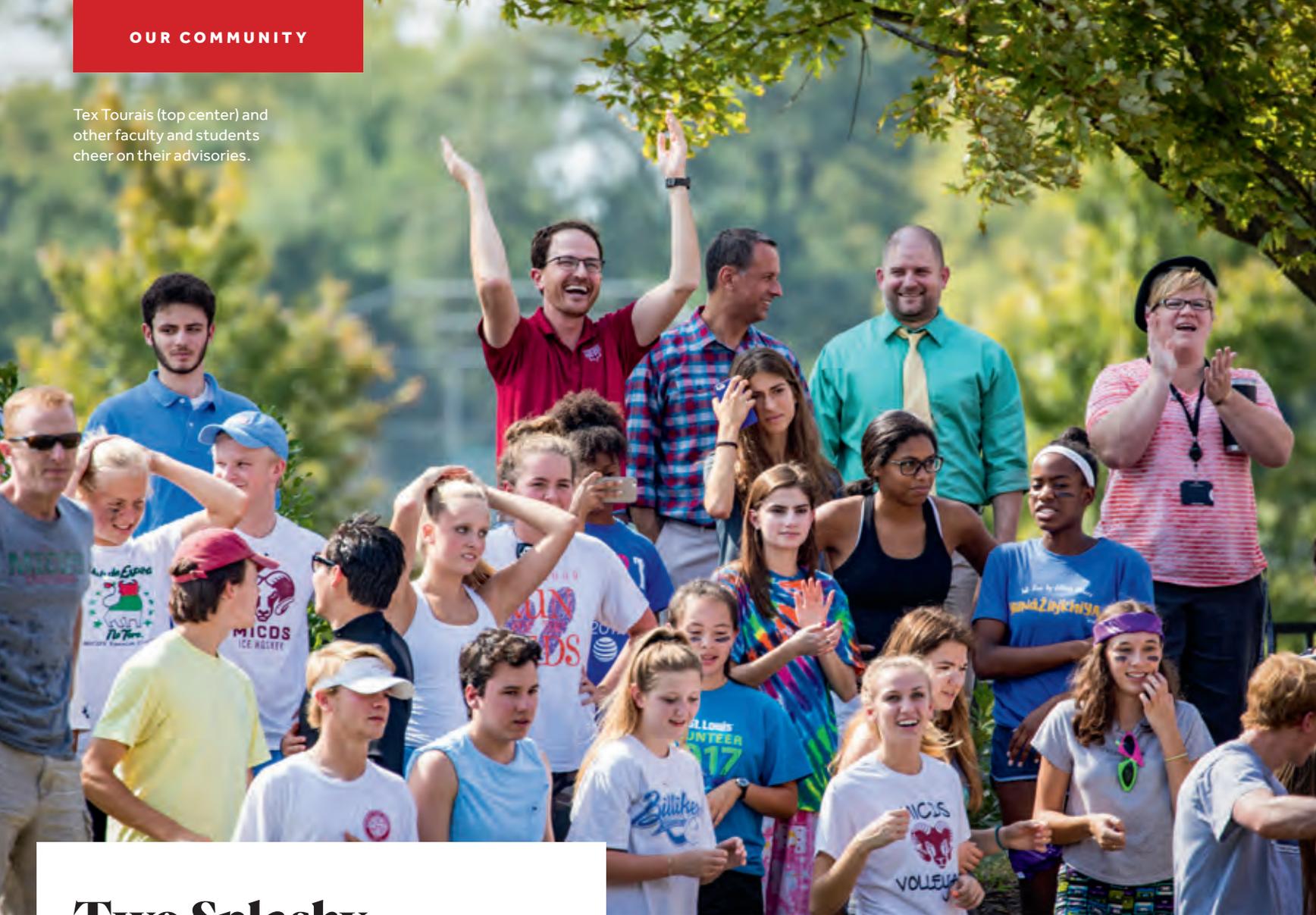
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Tex Tourais (top center) and other faculty and students cheer on their advisories.



# Two Splashy Traditions Remain Hallmarks at MICDS

Tradition is always making a splash at MICDS—quite literally! This fall, Upper Schoolers participated in the annual Senior Boat Races. Each Senior Advisory created and decorated a cardboard boat and raced it across Polk Pond. As usual, the event ended with all the Seniors jumping into the pond. And this year's big winner was **Tex Tourais'** Advisory. Congrats!

Another long-held tradition at MICDS is to throw the first senior accepted into college into Polk Pond.

This year's lucky admit was **Bergen Goede '19**, who was accepted into the University of Alabama.



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# Splish Splash

Bergen Goede '19 is thrown into the pond.

# Peer-to-Peer Mentoring Unites Middle and Upper Schoolers

The cross-divisional Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Mentor Program has officially launched! Last winter **Anna Speller '20** came to several adults in the MICDS community about developing a program to help Middle School students learn from Upper School students about topics that are important for healthy relationships, decision-making and being prepared for Upper School. From those initial conversations, the MS/US Peer-to-Peer-Mentor Program was born.

In a recent interview with the *St. Louis Jewish Light*, Anna Speller said she hopes that “students will look up to Upper Schoolers as friends and mentors to confide in.”

Approximately 30 10th through 12th graders volunteered their time and were trained as P2P Mentors. For six weeks throughout the school year, mentors will spend time in a 7th grade meeting followed by an advisory lesson and discussion two days later.





## Kindness “Rocks” the Lower School

Lower School students “planted” kindness rocks in a newly established Kindness Garden on the Beasley Playground. The entire division participated in the event, which began in the cafeteria. Students were instructed to enter peacefully and quietly and were encouraged to think about ways in which they could show kindness throughout the day.

After a short presentation by Head of Lower School **Janet McMillion**, students began mindfulness activities, including breathing exercises and sharing a “kindness squeeze,” during which students held hands and gave a squeeze down the line until it reached the other end. Then the students reflectively moved outside to place the rocks.

“This rock will help people smile,” said one student. “My rock says ‘joy’ on it, and I think that will grow into spreading joy to the entire School,” said another student.

The kindness rocks were painted last spring, and the “planting” took place along the west-facing wall of the Lower School. Each grade level had a different rock to represent their class. The rocks are meant to provide a daily reminder of how students can share kindness with their classmates.



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## Esterhazy Quartet

Last fall, MICDS welcomed the renowned Esterhazy Quartet to campus for a master class and a community-wide performance. Formed in 1968 as the ensemble-in-residence of the University of Missouri, the Esterhazy Quartet is widely recognized for its commitment to performing and promoting the music of our time, especially modern music of the Americas. The quartet maintains one of the largest collections of Latin American string quartets in the United States and is responsible for the commission, world premiere and recording of several new American string quartets.



**A LETTER FROM DIRECTOR OF  
DEVELOPMENT AMY MCFARLAND  
DOVE '85:**

## Looking Beyond Bold Action



Formerly known as the Annual Fund,  
the MICDS Fund impacts every  
student every day.

Thank you, 100 million times over, for your unparalleled support of *Bold Action: A Campaign for MICDS*. The impact of your generosity will resonate for generations. Your bold action has led to bold results allowing us to carry forward our legacy of excellence.

You may be wondering what comes next. The answer is, the newly branded MICDS Fund! Formerly known as the Annual Fund, the MICDS Fund impacts every student every day. The success of the MICDS Fund has a direct effect on our School's annual operating budget. While campaign dollars supported new facilities, endowment priorities and programming, annual giving dollars support the current student experience, ensuring that MICDS can continue the tradition of great teaching and great learning!

In addition to the MICDS Fund, we continue to raise endowment funds. Endowment giving allows donors to make gifts that help the School in perpetuity. The School uses the earnings from the endowed funds to support faculty excellence, student access, academic programming and so much more!

Another important area of focus is planned giving. Those who make MICDS part of their estate plans are recognized as members of the Eliot and Thompson Society. These gifts are invaluable to the School because they ensure that future generations will benefit from the MICDS educational experience, and they enable donors to leave a legacy of support to our School.



## PLANNED GIVING PROFILE:

# Tom Tuthill '68 Gives Back to Honor 50th Reunion



Tom Tuthill '68

**For Tom Tuthill '68, giving back to his alma mater is about honoring the teachers who changed his life.**

On the occasion of his 50th Reunion, Tuthill established a charitable gift annuity for Faculty Excellence at MICDS. He didn't stop there; he then wrote a letter to his fellow classmates encouraging them to do the same.

"The greatest gift my parents gave me was my Country Day education. They didn't think I was being challenged in the school across the street from our home, and in September 1962, my life changed because of the teachers at Country Day," he wrote.

"My teachers—particularly in Math and Latin—taught me how to solve problems step-by-step and show my work. Mastering that process of breaking down a problem into doable parts has helped me in everything I've done since," he later reflected.

In fact, he says, the enjoyment he had learning to dissect complicated sentences and conquer Algebra II inspired him to become a teacher. After graduating from Wesleyan University and Yale University, Tuthill spent 25 years teaching Latin in independent schools along the East Coast and at St. Louis Priory School.

"Much of what I did in my teaching career was my way of paying forward the wonderful teaching that I received at Country Day," he told his classmates. "Our teachers were all very interesting people who kept challenging us to look at things in different ways and step outside the box and think—quite a radical idea in the 1960s," he recalls.

When asked what he would say to inspire other alumni to make a planned gift to MICDS, Tuthill is quick to quote Winston Churchill: " 'We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.' We all want the best for our communities—whether our community of origin or our current community—and giving back is how we ensure the best for our communities." In the end, the CDS Class of 1968 donated more than \$1.1 million to their alma mater during their 50th Reunion—an amazing act of generosity!

Tuthill says a planned gift was the perfect fit for him since he doesn't have a lot of assets. "I did, however, make an early investment in the stock of a St. Louis company. Last year, when that company was going to be sold and my stock holdings liquidated, I decided to give the funds to MICDS as a charitable gift annuity designated for endowment. This gift allowed me to receive more than double the return on the money that I had invested while helping to build the endowment of MICDS—a win for us all," he wrote.

His gift to the Faculty Excellence Endowment supports the Faculty Apprenticeship Program as well as Tuition Benefit for the children of faculty and staff members who are enrolled at MICDS. The Faculty Excellence Fund was a priority of the Bold Action Campaign, and is still a key funding initiative for the School.



**Are you interested in supporting Faculty Excellence with a planned gift that doesn't require writing a check?**

Contact Kalleen Rose, Director of Major & Planned Gifts, at 314-995-7455 or [krrose@micds.org](mailto:krrose@micds.org).

# \$1,478,622

**Total  
Amount  
Raised**

## **Reunion Giving Raises Nearly \$1.5 Million**

**5th-80th  
Reunion Classes**

Reunion Weekend 2018 brought over 600 alumni from MI, CDS and MICDS back to campus to celebrate alongside classmates. From the 5th to the 80th Reunion classes, our alumni participated in various festivities and rich traditions that make Reunion Weekend each May incredibly special.

Reunion classes also participated in a yearlong fundraising campaign that took place in the months leading up to Reunion Weekend. Volunteers within each class partnered with the Alumni and Development Office to set fundraising and participation goals and to ensure that the communications with their classmates were personal and inspiring. Everyone was asked to make a meaningful gift, and classes strived to reach new heights. Together, reunion alumni raised \$1,478,622 to honor their time at MI, CDS or MICDS!

For those who participated with a Reunion Class Gift, we are deeply grateful. This school year brings a new cohort of classes with their own milestone anniversaries. We look forward to honoring them at next year's Reunion Weekend and helping them achieve their own Reunion Giving goals. It is with excitement that we welcome these classes back to campus as they relive memories and delight in gathering with classmates and the School community.





# Preparing students for lives of purpose and service.

The MICDS Fund is instrumental in continuing the School's constant pursuit of fostering thoughtful, passionate individuals who are equipped and empowered to change the world.

Please give today at [bit.ly/micdsfund](https://bit.ly/micdsfund)



**“I have supported MICDS because of the education, preparation, empathy and respect the School has provided to my children and my family. I want to help in any way possible.”**

**PETER K. TAO '75**

Parent of Alumni and Former Trustee

**Your gift to  
the MICDS Fund  
supports:**

+ Academic Engagement

+ Faculty Excellence

+ Student Access

+ Athletics

+ Fine & Performing Arts

+ Area of Greatest Need

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Campaign  
Celebration  
and Farewell  
to Lisa Lyle***

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MAY 11, 2019

5:30 P.M.

MICDS FINANCES 101

# A Close-Up Look at MICDS' Financial Needs Beyond *Bold Action*

How do MICDS students grow from scholars to catalysts for change? The MICDS Fund, formerly the Annual Fund, reflects what truly makes the difference at MICDS. With the success of the Bold Action Campaign, we updated our facilities and expanded our endowment to support our future. Funds from annual giving are crucial in bringing the MICDS difference into the daily life of each student, year after year.



## The Role of the Fund

The MICDS Fund is instrumental in continuing our mission of fostering thoughtful, passionate individuals who are equipped and empowered to change the world. The MICDS Fund fuels this journey by providing our students with access to cutting-edge curriculum, innovative teachers, coaches and mentors, and extracurricular pursuits that excite and engage them.

# Where do the funds go?

We have redesigned the MICDS Fund so that you can designate your gift to the area that is most important to you and your family.



## Academic Engagement

**Our innovative and highly engaging academic and co-curricular program encourages each student to develop his or her full potential.**

Your gift powers our classroom tools, field trips and other hands-on academic experiences.



## Faculty Excellence

**Excellence in academics at MICDS begins with supporting our world-class faculty.**

Your gift ensures that teachers enjoy small class sizes, superb resources, outstanding facilities and a commitment to continuing education.



## Student Access

**We believe all qualified students, regardless of financial circumstances, should have access to our extraordinary education.**

Your gift supports our financial aid program, including support for students to enjoy unique MICDS "extras" such as athletics, arts and community service field trips.



## Athletics

**Our School has a long and proud athletics tradition and recognizes the importance that athletics play in fostering teamwork, self-discipline and perseverance.**

Your gift fuels our JK-12 Physical Education program and our 48 interscholastic teams.



## Fine & Performing Arts

**The arts are an integral component of the JK-12 curriculum.**

Your gift supports students who explore their creativity through vocal and instrumental music, theater, dance and visual arts.



## Area of Greatest Need

**This gifting option allows us to seamlessly address the most urgent needs across all aspects of our School as they arise.**

# Allocating Your Gifts

The Bold Action Campaign built extraordinary facilities and has deepened our endowment growth, but our School still relies on additional funding. MICDS operates as a nonprofit entity, and operating revenue is derived from several sources. While the majority (78%) comes from tuition income, the MICDS Fund comprises a crucial 5% of the School's operating revenue.

## Tuition Revenue

The School's enrollment level and tuition rate drive tuition revenue, which comprises 78% of total revenue. MICDS has historically run at or near enrollment capacity with modest tuition increases each year. Managing tuition cost is a balancing act between ensuring adequate revenue, remaining competitive and ensuring affordability to support the School's Mission.

# 5%



**Although 5% may seem insignificant, the MICDS Fund supports all needs in the current school year.**

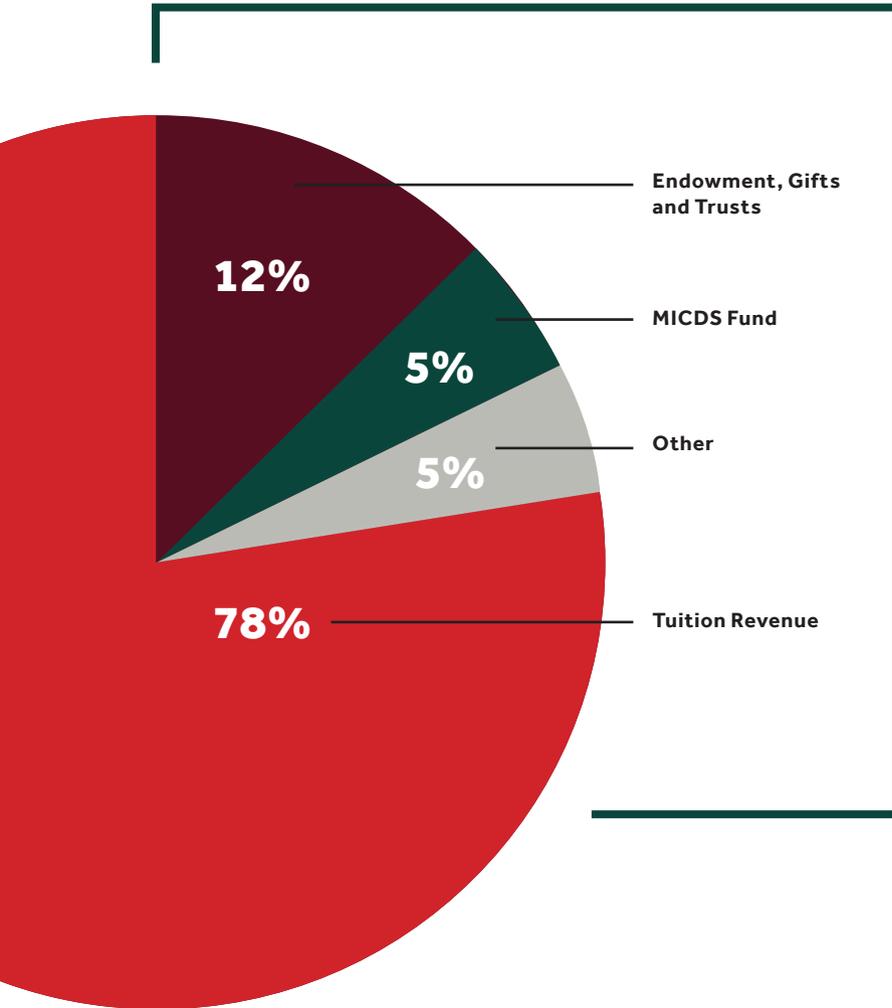
This includes faculty salaries, financial assistance, field trips, guest speakers, repairs, operational costs and more. These needs are integral to maintaining the unparalleled MICDS experience. Without the 5% from the MICDS Fund, the full student experience would be impacted, as the School would be forced to make critical decisions on programmatic planning.

## Endowment, Gifts and Trusts

Approximately 12% of MICDS' operating revenue is obtained from endowment, gift and trust distributions. Endowments and trusts are established from generous gifts that ensure the sustainability of our School for future generations. These gifts are invested to ensure future income, and 4.5% of average historical earnings is disbursed each year for spending purposes. Targeted investments allow the endowment balance to not be depleted as funds are withdrawn.

Depending on the rules outlined for each gift, the distribution of funds raised may be restricted to designated programs. Most of the dollars raised through Bold Action were restricted gifts, helping build the STEM facility, natatorium and stadiums, for example. While all gifts are appreciated and integral to the success of the School, unrestricted gifts allow flexibility for the School to fund programs based on need.

***Thank You!***



We are so thankful for your generosity. Your commitment to our School prepares the next generation of young people for lives of purpose and service.

Give today and support the MICDS community for years to come at [MICDS.ORG/GIVE](https://micds.org/give)

## Giving Levels

We have also adjusted our leadership giving levels within the MICDS Society for the first time in over 15 years, reflecting the need for competitive faculty compensation to continue providing our students with an unparalleled education. We are also delighted to introduce a new leadership giving level for our youngest alumni, which starts at the \$1,000 level.

MICDS SOCIETY	FOUNDER'S CIRCLE	\$50,000
	MICDS LEADERSHIP CIRCLE	\$25,000
	LEGACY CIRCLE	\$10,000
	PILLAR CIRCLE	\$5,000
	HONOR CIRCLE	\$2,500
	SCHOLAR CIRCLE	\$1,000*
	CHALLENGER	\$500
	RED & GREEN	\$250
	RAM	\$100

*\* Young alumni who have graduated in the last 20 years and who contribute \$1,000 or more are now included in the MICDS Society.*



# A Day at the Symphony

The St. Louis Symphony made a resounding impact on 2nd graders who took part in a city-wide student visit to Powell Hall to watch them perform Lemony Snicket's *The Composer Is Dead*. Prior to the show, the symphony provided a variety of resources including vocabulary and instrument note cards for students to study in order to recognize some of the words and instruments used in the performance. After the 45-minute performance, students were given a brief tour of Powell Hall.



Beasley 2nd graders explore Powell Hall.



## Middle School Field Trip Combines Art, Math and Writing

Sixth graders took their annual field trip to Laumeier Sculpture Park, though the trip was more than just a walk in the park. The students were assigned a project entitled "One Sculpture—Three Stories," which was designed to help students see the sculptures from multiple perspectives.

Prior to the trip, students learned specific math concepts, and at the park, they applied those concepts by choosing a sculpture, recording measurements and making calculations. When students returned to MICDS, they created small replicas of their assigned sculptures in the art studio, co-wrote a creative writing piece and presented to their classmates.

"Groups that worked on the same sculptures were in the same presentation group so they could see and hear the different creative perspectives," said Middle School Art Teacher **JoAnne Vogel**.

"The purpose of the 'One Sculpture—Three Stories' project is twofold," continued Vogel. "It is about looking at a situation, trying to see it from multiple perspectives, solidifying your understanding and recognizing your bias. A more enriching, creative journey is possible by exploring multiple perspectives."



With focused determination, this Middle School artist creates a small replica of a large sculpture she saw and studied in Laumeier Sculpture Park.



The patients prepare to defiantly enjoy the World Series as the staff looks on.

## Upper School Students Perform a Classic

Upper School drama students put on an outstanding performance of *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* last fall under the direction of Upper School Drama Teachers **Patrick Huber** and **Carolyn Hood**.

In the play, mental hospital patient Randle McMurphy, played by **Morgan Niven '20**, leads a revolt against cold Nurse Ratched, played by **Jamerson Durrill '19**, in the stage adaptation of the Ken Kesey novel.

"Playing Nurse Ratched was really intimidating at first, because she is such a recognizable and notorious villain. However, as the process went on, I found myself really sinking into the character and becoming more comfortable with my role," Durrill said.

"*One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* was a fantastic experience not only as an actor, but as a student as well. The issues surrounding mental health and authority vs. resistance, and the conflict therein, are very important issues to examine in today's age. I'm thankful I got to explore them with such an excellent director, crew and fellow cast members," Niven said.

The show featured incredible lighting, projections, sound and costumes by a full crew of Upper School students, including **Olivia Thomas '22**, **Athena Tharenos '20**, **Christian LeNoir '20**, **Gideon Meissner '20**, **Kendall Rozen '21**, **Dilyn Halverson '21**, **Ilana Meissner '21**, **Bianca Sforza '19** and **Mimi Brown '21**. Bravo!



Jamerson Durrill '19 delivers a superbly villainous performance as Nurse Ratched.



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#RamNation

2018

# Rams Rewind

FALL SPORTS SEASON RECAPS



## Cheerleading

**Cheering to Victory**

The Cheerleading Team started their season with an intensive home camp experience during the first weeks of August focusing on skills and team-building. They continued to work together and support our football team through the regular and playoff season. In the middle of the season, they took time to share their wealth of knowledge with the Beasley students when they held a mini-clinic for future cheerleaders. Prior to the last home football game, the cheerleaders helped coach the Beasley young ladies. The cheerleaders endured the heat, rain and cold while keeping their spirits high and helping the crowd cheer on the Rams. They are excited to continue to build their strong team bonds as they move into the winter season!

## Boys Cross Country

**3rd in Metro League**

The Boys Cross Country team finished 3rd in the Metro League meet and 5th in the Districts. **Will Falk '21** and **Henry Posega Rappleye '20** earned All-Metro League medals for their respective 7th-place and 14th-place finishes in the league meet. In the District race the next week, Falk went on to qualify as an individual competitor for the State meet race thanks to his 5th-place finish at Districts in 17:04.13. He finished 48th in the State meet, crossing the line as the 7th sophomore in the Class 3 race.

## Girls Cross Country

**Large Roster and Strong Individual Achievements**

The 2018 MICDS Girls Cross Country team fielded the largest roster, 44 runners, in program history. Led by Captains **Jane Baur '19**, **Elsa Sjogren '19** and **Grace Lee '19**, the team finished in 8th place at the State Championship meet to round out the season. **Palmer Mihalevich '20** was the top team performer with a 26th-place finish, one place outside the cutoff for All-State honors. To qualify for the State meet, the Rams finished 2nd at the District Championship. Six of the seven girls—Mihalevich, **Athena Theranos '20**, **Riley Noonan '22**, **Ana Larsen '19**, **Simrin Phatak '21** and **Morgan Weber '21**—earned All-District honors based on their individual results there. The team also finished second at the Metro League Championship, with three girls earning All-Metro Conference honors: **Annalisa Goot '21**, **Sarah Reed '20** and **Alden Small '22**. Larsen won the Harriet Green Award as the team's most inspiring runner.

GO RAMS!

Photo by Cliff Leve



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## Cyclocross

### A Successful Inaugural Season

With temperatures dipping into the 20s, the MICDS Varsity Cyclocross completed the inaugural season at Spanish Lake Park in early November. Despite the extremely cold conditions, the Rams took the top two podium spots with **Garrett Christian '20** and **Lucas McCarty '21** followed by **Joey Roth '21** and **Adam Jasper '20** rounding out the top 5. **Quin Moore '20** took 2nd in a bonus race the following day. This season provided a wide variety of conditions including wind, rain and mud, none of which could slow down the Rams. Once the team's season was officially over, many of the riders were still out competing well into December.

## Field Hockey

### 2nd at State

The Varsity Field Hockey team finished the season with a record of 21-6, finally falling to Villa Duchesne in another tightly contested Championship game. Season highlights include winning the conference, **Kate Oliver '22** tying for leading goal scorer in St. Louis, nine players nominated to the National High School Academic Squad and a record 10 players receiving conference honors. **Mia Duchars '20** was also named Metro League Player of the Year.

*See page 40 for more news from MICDS Field Hockey.*

- 01. Andrew Zhao '19 pushes hard during a Boys Cross Country meet.
- 02. The Cheerleading Team cheers the Rams to victory against John Burroughs School during Homecoming Weekend.
- 03. The Field Hockey team finishes 2nd at State. Way to go!
- 04. Palmer Mihalevich '20 competes at the Lutheran North Cross Country Invitational with Simrin Phatak '21 following closely behind at the start of their race.
- 05. Cyclocross athletes pedal hard through their inaugural season.



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## Football

*It's Always the Team - 2nd at State*

The Varsity Football team continued their winning tradition by finishing the season with a 13-2 record and an appearance in the State Championship game. The program celebrated its 100th season with thrilling home playoff victories and incredible finishes on the road. **Graham Bundy Jr. '18** finished the season with 186 points and tied for the top spot for single season points in Country Day/MICDS football history. He and **Tyler Purdy '18** both cracked the single season All-Purpose yards record books with 1,583 and 1,453 yards, placing them 9th and 10th, respectively, on the All-Time list as well. **Henry Carpenter '18** led the St. Louis Metro area with 183 tackles. The Rams had six 1st Team All-Conference players, seven All-District players and a program full of young men who lived Coach Holtman's motto, "It's always the team."

Varsity Football, which placed 2nd at State, runs off the field as a team.



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- 01. Parker Perry '20 focuses intently on her shot.
- 02. Hayden Fischer '21 dribbles away from opposition as teammates provide support.
- 03. The Girls Golf team jumps for joy after their 3rd place win at State.
- 04. Dave Shapshovich '19 finishes strong.

## Girls Golf

3rd at State

It was an emotionally charged season for the Lady Ram Golfers and a growing season after losing three of our top six Varsity players from 2017. But we reached the State Championships for the 6th consecutive season and finished 3rd! We moved back to Class 1 this year, after spending the past two seasons in Class 2. Our 2-4 dual record didn't reflect our team's ability, but we reached our goal of returning to State by placing 2nd in Districts and 2nd in Sectionals. Team Captain **Parker Perry '20** earned medalist honors in both playoff rounds, placing 3rd individually at State. **GiGi Goltermann '20** continued her strong season, placing 13th individually at State. And newcomer **Katie Mikulec '22** finished 20th at State. **Zoya Qayyum '20** and **Elena Thomas '20** were also 3rd-place finishers on the team's visit to Mozingo Lakes Golf Course.

## Boys Soccer

Hard-Fought Season

Boys Varsity Soccer had an incredible season, finishing with a 14-8 record with three of those losses coming in penalty kicks. Regular season victories over rivals Burroughs, Ladue and Kirkwood were highlights of the year. They tested themselves against a challenging schedule, ranking as high as 9th in the state. The season ended in the District tournament after a hard-fought comeback against Ladue fell just short, with a score of 2-1. Captains **Luke McCollough '19**, **Thomas Clarkson '19**, **Garrett Keener '19** and **Gus Arnold '19** provided effective leadership that allowed an especially young team to thrive.

## Boys Swimming

5th at State

Boys Swimming featured a talented young team with only two graduating seniors. Their dual meet season finished with a 9-1 record, with their only loss against the Cape Central Tigers, the reigning State Champions. The dual season featured dominating wins over small-school rivals, like John Burroughs and Webster Groves, and major upsets over Chaminade and Cape Central. The Rams finished 5th in Class 1 of the State Championships, with the youngest squad in the top 10. Each year the team grows mightily in numbers, depth of talent and success.

## Coach Mittler Celebrates 300!

The 2018 Rams Varsity Field Hockey team celebrated **Lynn Mittler's** 300th win as head coach on Wednesday, September 5, at Nerinx High School. The Rams won the game 5-0 and honored Coach Mittler with balloons and festivities.



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## Girls Tennis

### Doubles Duo Places 5th at State

The Rams finished 2nd in Districts to the eventual State Runner-Up, Visitation, 5-3, and second in the Metro League tournament to eventual State Champion, John Burroughs. The Rams' biggest win came during the regular season head-to-head contest against Visitation, which the Rams won 6-3. **Caleigh McClain '19** teamed up with **Journee White '22** to qualify for the individual doubles competition at State and finished in 5th place with a win over John Burroughs. During Homecoming Weekend, White had the win of the year against the defending State singles and doubles champion. McClain and White earned All-Metro League 1st Team honors. Winning All-Metro League 2nd Team honors were **Sydney Cheaney '19**, **Abby Lee '19** and **Meredith Goldberg '18**. Coach **Patrick Huewe** was recognized by the United States Tennis Association with the High School Coach of the Year Award for the Saint Louis District and the Missouri Valley Section. A season highlight occurred when both MICDS and Westminster teamed up to raise funds and awareness for autism in honor of Connor McClain, Caleigh's younger brother, and a player with ties to the WCA Coach.

## Girls Volleyball

### Fearless Leadership

The Varsity Volleyball Team finished with a record of 10-12-2, marked by exciting wins against Duchesne, Clayton and Trinity. The team also had nail-biting losses to John Burroughs, both in regular season and Districts, and competitive matches with top contenders Westminster and Villa. This team grew tremendously throughout the season, starting 0-2 and then going on a six-game winning streak, proving we were here to work hard and get better through fearless play. The highlight of the season was taking 2nd place at the MICDS Invitational Tournament in October. **Kate Trowbridge '19** was named to the 1st Team All-League and 2nd Team All-District. **Kodi Hayes '19** and **Asher Clarke '20** were named to the 2nd Team All-League and received honorable mentions for All-District. **CeCe Nourie '21** received an honorable mention for All-League Team.

01. Varsity Tennis Coach Patrick Huewe congratulates Journee White '22 and Caleigh McClain '19 as they take the 5th place doubles podium spot at the Girls Tennis State Championships.

02. Caleigh McClain '19 hits a solid return during the Girls Tennis State Championships.

03. Members of the Volleyball team play tough in the Homecoming Weekend match against Burroughs.





## Changa Bey: Why I Teach

Upper School History Teacher **Changa Bey** presented at an Upper School assembly as part of the regular series “Why I Teach.” In his speech, Mr. Bey described how he moved across the country, from New York to St. Louis, and how he was delighted by the hospitality and connectedness he found with the communities of each city. He explained that being able to learn from people who have different backgrounds and perspectives than him made him want to pay that knowledge forward to his students. Bey said, “As I think about why I teach here at MICDS, it’s because of this community that constantly pushes us to be better people by challenging our preconceived notions.”

# Class Notes

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

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**October 15, 2018**

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Members of the bridal party gather at Lafayette Park for the wedding of Jessica Lauren Houghtaling '09. The party included maid of honor (and sister) Kaytlin Houghtaling '13 and bridesmaids Alyssa Przygoda '09 and Rebecca Schloemann '09.

## Births and Adoptions

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN TO OUR MICDS FAMILY.

**Michael Ahrens '08** and Trish:  
Emilia Blake Ahrens, *June 14, 2018 (photo 01)*

**Tim Brunt '06** and Stephanie:  
Corinne Cooper Brunt, *August 13, 2018*

**Chip Hiemenz '02** and Alexis:  
Mary Margaret Hiemenz, *June 6, 2018 (photo 02 on next page)*

**Katie Price Testo '03** and Tom:  
Siena Rose Testo, *August 13, 2018*



MICDS alumni gather at the wedding of Alex McMullin '04. Back row (from left) Alex Wolff '04, Turner Peters '01, Jackson Noel '04, Davey Oetting '04, Rush James '04, Phoebe Claggett '04 and Ryan Maher '04. Middle row (from left) Zach Mandel '04, Killian Lamkin Mandel '04, Nick Pope '04, Jack Holmes '02, Warren Holmes '04, Blake Rosen '04, Ashley Hollensbe Pilkington '04, Scott Pilkington '04, KeKe Mullins '06. Front row (from left) Birch McMullin '96, Alex McMullin '04, Dylan Carney, Anne McMullin Benninger '02 and Powell Kalish '04.

## Marriages

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

**Dick Sant '80** and **Libby Mugler Storts '84**  
*August 8, 2018*

**Jessica Lauren Houghtaling '09** and **Stephen Michael Devine**  
*August 18, 2018 (photo 03)*

**Alex McMullin '04** and **Dylan Carney**  
*September 1, 2018 (photo 04)*



## *Alumni/ae Deaths*

THROUGH NOVEMBER 7, 2018

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

**Leslie Lieber '30**, June 10, 2018

**Barbara Brommelsiek Carroll '38**, June 1, 2018

**Beverly Schlueter Peck '38**, August 11, 2018

**Marjorie Attebery DuVivier '40**, September 5, 2018

**Laura Thompson Cook '45**, May 13, 2018

**Newell S. Knight '45**, September 25, 2018

**David W. Mize '45**, July 20, 2018

**Milton L. Rand Jr. '45**, October 29, 2018

**Donald S. Wohltman '46**, July 18, 2018

**Clel Philpott Shore '48**, August 15, 2018

**Charles M. Polk II '51**, August 24, 2018

**Judith Einstein Neisser '53**, July 11, 2018

**Edward (Ted) G. Bischoff '55**, October 15, 2018

**Kirby Westheimer '55**, July 17, 2018

**Robyn Roessler Hanser '56**, November 3, 2018

**John S. McMillan '57**, September 29, 2018

**Allison Tupper '57**, June 22, 2018

**Bruce H. Tichenor '60**, February 9, 2017

**John A. Burslem '64**, May 5, 2014

**Frederick Carspecken '64**, October 14, 2018

**Jerold D. Altman '69**, May 25, 2018

**Kevin Gritzke '69**, August 3, 2018

**William J. Gillespie '70**, September 20, 2018

**Allison Trotter Nation '76**, May 2, 2018

**Seth Joshua Reid '05**, October 16, 2018

**Charles S. Gillis '16**, September 25, 2018



### 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!

## *Faculty Deaths*

**Ronald Arnatt**, Music Director

**Ron Holtman**, History Teacher, Coach and Mentor

**Edward P. Schuh**, Spanish and French

# MICDS

MARY INSTITUTE AND SAINT LOUIS COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

## Reunion

MAY 2 – 4, 2019

## Weekend

### MICDS Reunion Weekend Celebration Classes

1939	80th Reunion	1979	40th Reunion
1944	75th Reunion	1984	35th Reunion
1949	70th Reunion	1989	30th Reunion
1954	65th Reunion	<b>1994</b>	<b>25th Reunion</b>
1959	60th Reunion	1999	20th Reunion
1964	55th Reunion	2004	15th Reunion
<b>1969</b>	<b>50th Reunion</b>	2009	10th Reunion
1974	45th Reunion	2014	5th Reunion



An invitation to reminisce & reconnect.





## *25th Annual Holtman Golf Tournament*

The 25th Annual Holtman Golf Tournament was held during Homecoming Weekend at The Bogey Club. During the gorgeous sunny day, 120 players came out to honor Ron Holtman for 18 holes of golf, a box lunch and a post-tournament reception where they also celebrated Ron's 90th birthday. Alumni from the classes of 1948 to 2015 joined in the fun, along with current parents, grandparents and parents of alumni.



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- 01. Bob Gilleland, Tee Baur '64 and Ron Holtman catch up.
  - 02. CDS alumni gather with Ron Holtman at the 25th annual Holtman Golf Tournament.
  - 03. Frank Sant '84, Clark Wolfsberger '81, Chip Mallin '05 and Tom O'Hara '15 gather for a photo.
  - 04. Kevin Maher '06, Michael Hollo '06, Logan O'Connor '05, Alex Muckerman '06, Ron Holtman and Bert Condie '55 show their School pride.
  - 05. Bill McMillan '70, Ed Potter '70, Mike Burns '70 and Cap Grossman '70 pose with Ron Holtman.



## 1952 CDS

**Roger Reynolds** and his wife, Ellen, recently completed a 16-day trip to Europe that consisted of a longboat trip on the Danube River from Passau, Germany, to Budapest, Hungary. They then journeyed to Wengen, Switzerland, for five days of hiking *wanderwegs* (easy walking trails) and riding cog trains and cable cars to the surrounding mountaintops, which included the Jungfrauoch and Mt. Schilthorn with its revolving restaurant where *On Her Majesty's Secret Service* was filmed.

## 1954 MI

**SUSAN SPOEHRER ELLIOTT**  
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**John '50** and **Mydie Sant** are delighted to announce the marriage of their son **Dick Sant '80** to **Libby Mugler Storts '84**. The marriage took place on August 8, 2018, in Harbor Springs, Michigan.

**Sarah Lund Donnem** writes: "I had a terrible spider bite on my ankle!! In the hospital eight days! Do not garden in tall pachysandra in your flip-flops!"



Classmates **Mary Pabmeyer Byrd '54**, **Sandra Humphreys Stemmler '54** and **Claire Pieper Taylor '54** hosting a dinner at Clayton eatery **Dominic's Trattoria** to introduce their progeny to **Mary's** visiting California daughter, **Debbie Alstead**, daughter of **Sam Evans '54**.

## 1955 CDS

**PETER HALL**  
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**Bob Jackes** published a book, *What a Way to Make a Living*, now available at Barnes and Noble bookstores nationwide and available on Amazon for \$14.95. It is the story of Jackes' 20-year Air Force career but starts in Mr. Twitchell's English class in 1953. It then follows his flying career from St. Louis to many locations around the world, including Taiwan, Fiji, Christmas Island, Vietnam, Germany and Thailand.

## 1956 CDS

**TOBY JAMES**  
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**Terry Bettendorf** reports that he and his wife, Judi, spend six months in Stuart, Florida, and six months in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. They are avid art collectors and have loaned or donated art to museums and universities. Terry is also a University of Florida master naturalist and master gardener.

**Joe Sparks** reports that he and Petra are no longer sitting on the beach as the red tide and dead fish have taken over paradise. They recently bought two new carbon suitcases and started calling their sons—Joe's son, Joe Jr., on his ranch in the Flint Hills of Kansas, and Petra's son, Stephan, in Ouray, Colorado, and saying when would you like to see us? After those two successful calls, they started on their eight grandchildren, and so went the summer.

## 1957 MI

**MARGOT MARITZ MARTIN**  
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**Barbara Kaufman Wood** and her husband had to leave their home in Wilmington, North Carolina, in September "to get away from Hurricane Florence." They fled to New York to

stay with her daughter. Fortunately, their home was not flooded. "We were so lucky. There was so much devastation around us," she writes.

**Pat Doughton** and **Jim** have traveled to London, Switzerland and Cabo San Lucas. In September, they went to Glacier National Park in Montana to escape the Florida heat. They are looking forward to a cruise to Cuba in November.

**Jane Hardesty Poole** writes that she "has honored her father by naming the ophthalmology department at Washington University School of Medicine the John F. Hardesty, M.D., Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences at a dedication ceremony in September 2018! Chancellor and Mrs. Wrighton hosted a dinner after the dedication, and I was honored at the annual Medical School's dinner at the Ritz-Carlton!"

**Joyce Kohn Pass** and **Jules** are still traveling. Joyce has been with **Janet McAfee** for 40 years and continues to sell real estate when in town while **Jules** continues to sell his beautiful antiques at his store in Ladue.

**Peggy Pauley Gundlach** writes that her husband **Frank** was diagnosed with esophageal cancer, "so last year we stuck close to home and dealt with his chemo, radiation and side effects." Peggy says he is regaining his strength and the side effects are "pretty much gone." They are expecting a more normal and enjoyable time in Florida this year.

Ending on a sad note, **Julie Levy Plax's** husband of 55 years, **Steve Plax, MD**, died in September. The memorial service was held in the John Burroughs auditorium, which was filled to capacity. A real tribute to the Plax family. Our deepest sympathy to **Julie** and her entire family.

## 1957 CDS

**NICK CLIFFORD**  
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**Bud Hobart** writes: "When I was a sophomore and **Curt Wolfe '56** a junior, we both attended the father-and-son dinner. During it, everyone on the Varsity Football team who earned a

letter was given a handsome red leather jacket. This largesse was our reward for winning the ABC League championship due in large part to excellent kicking by **Hord Hardin '55**. The next morning while I was waiting for the school bus and proudly wearing my new jacket, who should drive by in a late model Chevrolet but Curt, who quickly pulled his new jacket up by the shoulder (high enough for me to plainly see), pointed to it and laughed.

## 1958 CDS

**DAN B. FEINBERG**  
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There was a celebrity sighting at the Regional Emmy Awards in September. **Charlie Valier** was there to receive an award for the producers of the documentary feature, *The American Artist: The Life and Times of George Caleb Bingham*, which won Best Documentary (historical). Charlie, chairman of the Bingham Trust, contributed material, information and appeared in this documentary.

**Frank Elliott** says blues music has almost become his middle name. For entertainment, he and Karen go far and wide to satisfy their hunger for the music they really enjoy. They are off to Telluride, Colorado, for the Telluride Blues and Brews Festival to meet four friends. If the blues don't set them straight, the brews surely will. Frank wants us to know he sincerely hopes the Class of '58 still stands strong and healthy after 60 years.

**Bud Hirsch** had his poem, "Tropic of Cancer," accepted for a juried show, Ekphrasis. The show pairs 20 visual artists with 20 poets. The visual artist paired with Bud created a new piece of art responding to his poem, and Hirsch wrote a new poem, "Mien Expression," to interpret the original painting by the artist. The exhibit of the poetry and paintings will be November 2 – January 24 at the Box Gallery in Kansas City.

**Bill Kelley** reports their youngest son, Rob, and family have moved from their neighborhood to Salida, Colorado. There, they can enjoy their competitive mountain biking. Grandson Peter and family have also decided to go to Salida.

Their son, Clay, and granddaughter, Katie, and their families are still nearby.

**Rich Nelson** just completed a 4,000-mile motor trip of the West. First stop was a ranch near Silverstring, Wyoming, where he was joined by his children, Lori and Barclay, and their families. After a week stay with them, it was on to Yellowstone National Park for a few days before going to a friend's ranch near Ennis, Wyoming. On the way back, he visited Mount Rushmore, the Badlands and stopped at a bar in Sturgis for a cool one.

**Charlie Valier** reports that he and Patsy flew to England with **Dick Engelsmann '57** and his new wife, Diane, in May. They participated in a tour of American World War II bomber bases in East Anglia. The tour was with the World War II Museum (in New Orleans). Ending in London, the Valiers then drove to the Cotswolds. Unfortunately, Patsy received a telephone call that her grandson, Ryder, had died unexpectedly. This resulted in a change in plans and a hurried flight to Boulder where the family lives. Samuel Ryder Gore was almost 12 and a twin. Patsy and Charlie spent the summer at their seasonal home in Charlevoix.

## 1959 MI

**SHELIA MORRIN HUMPHREYS**  
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We will send you news of our May 2-4 reunion as it takes shape. Please feel free to let us know your druthers while there is still plenty of time to plan. We look forward to seeing those able to attend this 60th celebration!

**Molly Macon McHenry** says: "Just a few words about our grandsons, 9 and 5, who live in Denmark. Both are training in the Royal Danish Ballet Company. We are still pinching ourselves! Who could have imagined such a thing?!"

**Lisa Strelinger Beckers** is moving to Cleveland, Ohio, to be near her youngest son. Lisa said she and Carl moved across the U.S. over the years of their marriage and "just sort of dropped off

their children along the way." One stayed in California, one stayed in Colorado and one remained in Cleveland. Lisa and Carl eventually settled in Maryland, and after his death, she moved to Florida. **Stella Saxton Guy** visits Lisa often and **Louise Latzer**, too.

**Cindy Wattenberg Berg** travels from her home in Michigan to New Rochelle, New York, each year to have her annual check-up with her favorite doctor and house sit for friends. She is usually away from December through mid-March.

**Jane Simmons Bickford** went on a fabulous cruise down the Danube with **Lydia Long**. What an adventure those two ladies had! Nine days starting in Prague, then meeting a ship and continuing down the river for eight days, ending in Sofia. Observing the beautiful weather and fall leaves, they were enchanted by it all, as we can clearly see from the wonderful photo of them bundled up in their jackets. Budapest at night was a highlight. Jane stays in touch with **Sally Curby Johnston** via "Words with Friends," an online Scrabble-like game.

**Betty Noland Caravati** and **Jinks Haigler Fujita** send their greetings.

**Meredith Ittner** says she's enjoying creative activities. She works in her garden often and loves to make collages of all sizes. She is considering attending our reunion.

**Anne Scherck Morrison** reports: "I was in St. Louis in September for the first time since my 75th birthday more than two years ago. Sadly, I get there rarely since my mom died and my term on the Board of Visitors ended. The occasion for this visit was a lovely memorial gathering to honor Joe Tucker, father of **Bill Tucker '59** and a longtime family friend. He was a true Renaissance man. I also had a fun lunch with **Sally Curby Johnston** at the Missouri History Museum. There's a fantastic exhibit celebrating the Muny's first 100 years. It was especially wonderful seeing it with Sally, who is a knowledgeable and enthusiastic Muny supporter."

**Nancy O'Neil Rathburn** says: "I'm looking forward to our reunion in May! It is hard to believe it has been 60 years since we were wandering around Clayton on Saturdays,

lunching at Straub's and watching for boys from Country Day. I am doing well. I lost my husband of 51 years unexpectedly last Thanksgiving. I have since sold our four-bedroom house and moved with my Miniature Schnauzer to a two-bedroom apartment in a senior community here in Jacksonville. It has been an adjustment but it is a friendly place, and my children are happy I am here. I have likened it to living in a college dorm."

**Carol Wenthe Palmer** told of her recent hike near Albuquerque, New Mexico, with 22 friends. She has just been selected as president of the Assistance League, which helps local school children and benefits her community. She is interested in consulting with **Sue Forney Boyd** about schoolyard gardens.

**Amelia Upthegrove Wheeler** writes: "No news is good news, right? We live in the same house in Winchester, Virginia, and our son is still in South Pasadena, California. Our health is okay, although we're both slowing down. Our big 50th anniversary trip was a cross-country train ride to and from the West Coast. This summer we spent a week in Lewes, Delaware, near the beach. In the spring, we go to Florida for a month to be near baseball."

**Sheila Morrin Humphreys** says, "I really look forward to reconnecting with as many classmates of both MI '59 and CDS '59 as possible at our 60th Reunion. We will enjoy lunch with Lisa Lyle and local alumnae next week, October 24, long before these notes will be published. A highlight of the summer for me was swimming every day in our bay in Maine, because it was unusually hot due to climate change. In December, **Mike '56** and I will travel to Jaipur, India, for the wedding of two former Berkeley graduate students."

**Carol Jacobs Montag** says, "By the time you all see me in May, I will have been in Paris and will have seen my grandsons at least twice if not three times. I fly to New York and Brooklyn every other month to babysit, cook for the week and take them all out to dinner to Sociale, their neighborhood Italian restaurant that is as good as anything I had while living in Italy. If you find yourself in Brooklyn Heights, give it a try. You won't be disappointed!"



*Lydia Long '59 and Jane Simmons Bickford '59 on their ship in the Danube.*

## 1959 CDS

**ARTHUR LUEKING**  
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Can you believe that we will be celebrating the 60th anniversary of our graduation from Country Day School? Who, in 1959, would have thought that possible? Nevertheless, in order to provide suitable festivities for such an auspicious occasion, a distinguished group of classmates met in May to prepare preliminary plans for the reunion. If anyone finds my meeting notes, please forward them to me. I probably filed them in the pantry. Such is advancing age.

**Kent Faerber**, our fundraiser-turned-beekeeper, organized the meeting (to the extent that we can be organized), which was hosted by **Fred Hanser** at the St. Louis Country Club. Out-of-towners outnumbered the locals eight to six. **Weldon Rogers** attended having survived the recent hurricane in Boca Grande; **Nat Griffin** on his way from Texas to Michigan; **R. K. Barton** from Michigan to Festus; **George Bornstein**, recently emeritus, from Ann Arbor; **Bill Tucker** visiting from New York; and **Ivar Nelson** and **Thrus Pettus** from wherever (I didn't have much chance to talk with either). Locals attending were **Luke Fouke**, **Butch Welsch**, **Chris Peper**, **Chip Matthews** and yours truly, **Arthur Lueking**. There was lots of conversation and good fellowship but little planning.

In October, Kent met with Hanser, Griffin, Matthews, Welsch and **Schneithorst** to continue the planning process. I am not at liberty to share the details; suffice it to say our reunion will be spectacular. Watch your snail mail and email for updates.

## 1960 MI

**GAY ARMSTRONG BRYSON**  
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**Madelon "Mimi" Sprengnether** has published a new book, titled Mourning Freud.

**Lucy Schmitz Morros** is busily educating on the intricacies of fundraising, a niche art in which she has loads of expertise having overseen the funding and renovation of the St. Louis Alliance Francaise's new building. Another oddly endearing item is that her wonderful husband, **Boyd**, sings in a choir of those with Parkinson's, the Tremble Clefs, and gives concerts around town that promote singing as an ideal exercise for weakened vocal chords.

**Caro Smith Schneithorst** writes that she has three children, eight grandchildren, a Schnauzer named Sugar and a 54-year marriage to Jimmy.

**Anne Baldwin Wetzel** tripped breaking her wrist and spraining her shoulder. She has recovered now and is headed back to sunny Florida for the winter. Fingers crossed that hurricane season bypasses the Carolinas and Florida this year!

**Carole Laube Paquin** has "survived hot, smoky days out here with a breathing face mask, which should give you an idea how much fun it is to live in areas of constant forest fire danger. We may not have to deal with hurricanes, tornados or red algae tides, but earthquakes, droughts and wildfires are the annual givens." Even in smoke survival gear, Carole is busily preparing for the upcoming holiday craft and ceramic shows where she will sell her wares!

Our President, **Sally Schlapp Tyler**, surfaces after an absence that I am inclined to forgive as the life she describes is so mellow and delightful.

Retired from teaching for three years, she and Cheever enjoy quiet evenings reading or watching the news and enjoying a glass of wine. Sal plays tennis three times a week, makes lunch for the homeless on Tuesdays, belongs to two book clubs and, several times a year, meets up with **Kathy Diehr Pitcher** and **Ada Morey Draesel** for lunch, dinner and goodness knows what mischief!

Cookie, aka **Janice Hutto Hoyle**, writes from Peru that she was in training for her planned ascension of Machu Picchu and had to scale an Inca fortress first in preparation. Hopefully Machu Picchu was easier. Our girl totally gets around and loves traveling!

**Roberta Bartlett Logan** seems to have happily regained control of the various body parts that were in revolt for a while, now freeing her up for the things she likes to do: book club, bridge games, hanging out with friends and volunteering at the local food bank. She and her sister, **Louise Bartlett Franklin '57**, often travel together and are now planning to visit Alaska next summer.

**Carol Willis Clifton** has been working out and traveling with her hubby, Al, but now she won't have so far to go since her sisters have moved all the way from New Mexico to one Carolina or the other.

**Jan Schonwald Greenberg** continues to educate and entertain young readers with her book on the brothers Giacometti, *Two Brothers, Four Hands: The Artists Alberto and Diego Giacometti*. For older readers, Jan has written *Glass Fire Breath: The World of Dale Chihuly*. When she's not writing, she and Ronnie travel the world with their family, play bridge and play with Diego, a big brown poodle.

**Jill Evans Petzell**, winner of several Emmys for her documentary and video work and creator of magnificent jewelry advises she has a nascent poetry career. Jilly has been secretly writing poetry for most of her life, and it is now being published in several poetry journals and anthologies. It's always gratifying to see our classmates continuing to grow and evolve.

**Liz Curtis Allen** told **Charlotte Johansen Hamilton** that she needed to host a Bastille Day party...a clandestine meeting of Francophiles! As the door opened for the first round of Charlotte's party, the lights—yes, all of them—went off. Ever the prepared hostess, Charlotte had candles at the ready and “mood lighting” was accomplished.

This is not, admittedly, the most accurate rendition of Charlotte's email, but I liked it. And, in both versions, everyone had a good time.

**Gay Bryson** writes: “My grandson, Cameron, and I returned to Wildtracks in Belize in June: He to care for the resident Manatees and I to look after another orphaned baby Howler Monkey, Alfie. Wildtracks is a facility that takes in orphaned or injured animals, heals them, grows them up and releases them to a protected forest. My family also traveled to the Galapagos Islands this summer, which was unbelievable. I'm still volunteering at the California Academy of Sciences, loving every minute and would love to show any and all of you around.”

Our **Patsy Kline Hall** has been dealing with unfortunate cardiac issues that have left her temporarily housebound. She let me know that all the notes from you cheered her up a lot. She allows as how she and Dick share between them nine bypasses—a veritable freeway interchange I'd say!

**Decdee Kessler Ostfeld** writes from Texas that she has a higher and drier home after being flooded by Hurricane Harvey. Now she can celebrate being honored by Texas Freedom Networks with a “Walking the Walk” award for her 20 years of service as a board member and outspoken advocate for religious freedom, individual liberties and public education. 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!

## 1962 CDS

**JOHN HENSLEY**  
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**Geoff Butler** says: “We have been traveling while we are in good health: Adriatic cruise in the spring; Scotland and London in June/July for the triennial Butler Society meeting; Montana fishing trip with my sons in July; and August/September in Cashiers, North Carolina. We are still living in Miramar Beach, Florida, where the focus of much of our activities is Christ the King Episcopal Church. Sons, William and Lee, live in Texas, and Geoffrey is in Colorado, so we don't get to see them or grandchildren as much as we would like.”

**Nick Scharff** says: “So far, we're all pretty healthy, give or take a few grunts, groans and inflexibilities. At the end of 2017, I stopped seeing patients altogether. I still do a little teaching at the hospital where I trained and worked, and my consultation in Virginia will run another two or three years. I've taken a couple of painting and drawing classes, have read more and am exercising more regularly.”

**Kirk Jeffrey** says: “I retired in 2008 from my job as a professor of history at Carleton College in Minnesota. My wife, Frances Long, is a retired lawyer. Last year, we moved from the Twin Cities to Sarasota, Florida. My top-priorities are reading and keeping in touch with our children and grandchildren. In the past few years, I've been able to rekindle some old friendships from CDS days. **Charlie Homeyer** and I are in touch, and we and our wives spent an afternoon together in Clearwater, Florida, last year. We've visited **Bob Frank** and his wife, Pam, in Pensacola. On our most recent visit to St. Louis, we got together with my old buddy, **Duff Morrill**.”

**Bill Stanard** says: “I'm working full-time as manager of technology in the Community Science program at the St. Louis Science Center, teaching inner city kids the joys of engineering. Our program's focus is the FIRST Robotics competitions held throughout the U.S. Mary Harrison Hayward and I live on western-most Pershing Avenue.”

Duff Morrill relates that he has been hired as a part-time chemistry teacher at a private Orthodox Jewish school in Olivette.

**Steve Schaum** says “Susann and I enjoy good health. We travel a lot and try to keep up with the families of our two kids who were wise enough to live close by. Since I retired, I play a lot of softball in senior leagues. I garden and maintain hundreds of tropical plants and succulents out of a cramped, attached 250-square foot greenhouse. We also travel a lot. In a couple of weeks, we will travel with classmate **Mike Witte** and my sister (his wife, **Sally Schaum Witte '66**) for her 70th birthday. Vancouver and Orcas Island, get ready for us.

Mike Witte writes: “All good here, although all things we see as good could at any moment dissolve in a puny puff of smoke (my dear sister, Marcia, passed away suddenly last October at

age 71). I continue to publish several drawings a week. The baseball stuff takes up a large part of the winter. An article in the Times (June 3, 2018), about Astros pitching coach Brent Strom incidentally mentioned my name in a positive light. I have been beyond lucky to make a living doing things I love.”

**Dan Schettler** responded: “Retired life is good. Family is fine. Two boys, both here working at Boeing and Monsanto (Bayer). Two granddaughters who we see all the time. Still spend a lot of time ballooning and running the Great Forest Park Balloon Race with my boys and outside partners. I am an avid scuba diver and have been diving in most every island in the Caribbean. I started with **Leydig** back in 1985. Otherwise, I hang out at my place on the Meramec River, which is a relaxing getaway from St. Louis in the summer.”

**Joe Griesedieck** says: “Eight years ago, Marla and I moved to Scottsdale, Arizona. However, we returned to the San Francisco area two years ago. I am still fully active with my firm, Korn Ferry, where I serve as vice chairman and oversee the firm’s global board and CEO advisory services business. I have 11 grandchildren, ranging in age from three months to 22 years. I will try to schedule one of my infrequent trips back to St. Louis when you guys have your regular luncheon.”

**Alex (Sandy) Primm** relates that he just finished the first draft of an Ozark book on his oral history projects in the area, but it needs a lot of editing. He is still enjoying living in Springfield and has a guest room if anyone is headed that way. He says, “The new wildlife and fishing museum is pretty neat, as is the nearby Crystal Bridges.”

**Curt Greene** responds: “I have enjoyed reading about other classmates’ exploits but have contributed relatively little. As of June 30, I am officially retired after 40 years of teaching at Haverford College. I’m spending a post-retirement year at the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute in Berkeley—a wonderful way to wind down and do just what I want to do. My wife and I are living in San Francisco and loving it! Best wishes to you!”

**Lanny Jones** says: “I spent this summer in Montana, which I typically do, with family. I am

also working on a book on celebrity culture, to be published by Beacon Press in 2020, so I am excited about that. I’m going about my usual erratic tennis game. I visit St. Louis a couple of times a year to see my mother, now 100. I would like to time a visit to be able to join one of your luncheons.”

**Jim Foley** writes: “I retired, and we sold our little five-acre plot in Seattle and moved to Las Vegas. We’ve been married 51 years and are still going strong. Our son, Christian, is a father of three, lives in Boise, Idaho, and sells high-end MRI equipment. Our daughter, Leigh, is married, lives in Bellingham, Washington, has two children and is an oncological infusion nurse. I just finished reading all of Shakespeare’s plays, which was a remarkable and enjoyable effort. I also enjoy remodeling houses and have done something major to each of the six houses we have owned.”

**Lyle Kalish** shares: “I am still in La Jolla near University of California - San Diego. I ride my bicycle over to the campus every day to attend senior classes. I exercise every day and I read a lot. I have one daughter in Santa Barbara with a husband and two sons. Both Santa Barbara grandsons are great intellects and athletes. Eight years ago, my other daughter, Amanda, moved back into our house with her son, Aaron. Let all our classmates know they are welcome in San Diego.”

**Denny Niedringhaus** says: “After 50 years in banking, I finally hung up my quill and ledger. I created and ran three investment departments at three different banks during my career. My wife, Linda, who previously retired after 35 years as head of the Deaf/Blind Program for the state of Missouri, and I will now spend more time at our places in Michigan and Gulfstream, Florida. We also plan to visit our daughter, Alicia Merton (Crawford), and three granddaughters in Pittsburgh. We see plenty of son **Hunt ’86** and spouse **Elizabeth ’87** and their two sons, **Thomas ’19** (an Under-Armour All American Lacrosse player) and **Jack ’22**.”

**Terry Scherck** replies: “Update from Northern Illinois: Here in Lake Forest, I am part of a small but virulent Cardinal ‘mafia’ hoping we make the playoffs. All is well otherwise, working pretty much full time with an eye on not doing so, but unsuccessful in that regard. Denise

and I are enjoying our two grandchildren in San Francisco and spending a good portion of our winters in Montecito, California. Warm wishes to all and hope to get down to St. Louis soon.”

## 1963 MI

### NETTIE ORTHWEIN DODGE

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**Lucinda Bagby Marrs** enjoyed the time spent with classmates at reunion. She has been traveling to France with her beau, a retired musician, and he is teaching her about jazz. As her life is settling down, she is spending more time in Texas where her children and 12 grandchildren reside. In addition, Cindy participates in a monthly book group that reads and discusses in French at the Alliance Française in St. Louis.

**Margaret Blanke Henderson** is doing well. She has entered dance competitions and loves the challenge. Peggy is very thankful Hurricane Florence did not get high enough to flood her house.

**Allison Bradbury Kitchen** says: “We had a great-granddaughter born May 27, 2017. We finally sold our property in Idaho and have moved to Tyler, Texas. We are gradually getting settled but still have a lot to do. Closer to kids, grandchildren (five for me and two for Jim) and two great-grandchildren (one for each of us). Many happy times ahead. It was so good to read all the news from everyone and the notes from 55th reunion.”

**Susan Clifford Rayner** says: “Hello all! The last year has been one of extraordinary upheaval and stress, but I find myself now happily divorced, out of Norfolk (after 35 years) and settled in my own little house in Kent near daughter and grandchildren. Interesting to make a completely new life after 70! It feels good and right. Best to you all.”

**Muffy Culver Matthews** and **Chip ’59** have decided to downsize. They bought a house and renovated it and have now moved in. Loving the new place.

**Susan Davis-Durgin Miserlis** writes: “My

husband and I spent a month and a half in Greece this summer visiting ancient sites, museums, monasteries, mountains, waterfalls and beautiful pebble beaches. The highlight of our trip was being joined by all of our children and grandchildren in Delphi (my husband's birthplace and the omphalos of the world) for three days to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary."

**Suzanne Franklin Corry** says: "It was great to be with those who could attend the May reunion! All of you are in my heart! I am headed to Canada on a Viking trip. Cannot wait to see such beautiful country!"

**Kay Garden Cox** writes: "I retired from teaching elementary school. I miss the kids, but life moves on. Now I'm getting organized, and soon I'll resume my hobby from 40 years ago of making enamel jewelry. I spend a few hours a day hiking or going to the gym. My son and granddaughters live in Northern California, so I only get to see them a few times a year. I also travel to hike the redwoods and the desert, and frequently go to art museums and the theater with friends."

**Carolynn Horner Darcy** says: "Our summer was very busy with a lot of traveling to see all my children and grandchildren. It's nice to be home for a while. I'm back at work teaching half days, which is perfect. My wife is retiring from teaching mid-December, which means big changes for us. I'm looking forward to that. I really wanted to attend the reunion and just couldn't fit it in time-wise."

**Ann Keeler Poucher** replies: "In September, Ralph and I went to Nova Scotia with some friends from Florida. I talked to **Dudley Roulhac Grove** about some things to do and places to eat, as her house in Chester is close to where we were staying in Lunenburg. Unfortunately, Dudley and Jim left for Europe the day before we arrived, but she encouraged us to stop and sit on her porch! We went, and I now know why the Groves spend so much time there. It is beautiful!"

**Judith Kippenhan Halstead** retired from teaching middle school French six years ago. She enjoys traveling on cruises and spent the month of April in France. Her mother, who some of you may remember as the middle school art teacher, passed away in March. If anyone comes to the

Seattle area, she would love to see you.

**Jane Lewin Steinger** writes: "It was wonderful sharing time with my MI classmates in St. Louis in May and learning about all the new developments in my hometown. Thank you again, organizer **Nettie Orthwein Dodge** and hostesses **Dudley** and **Sally Neuwoehner Anderson**. My older granddaughter, Naomi, will celebrate her bat mitzvah in June. We are going on a family cruise to Greece, so that will be a special time to have those girls to myself for a week!"

**Nancy Lungstras Broadfoot** says: "I keep thinking about the wonderful time we all had in St. Louis for our 55th! We had a quiet summer spent with family, children and grandchildren. We celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary with an enjoyable two-week cruise to Canada with my sister, **Kay Lungstras Welsh '56**, and her husband."

**Barbara Martin Smith** writes: "My most significant news is that the lure of spending time with my four enchanting grandchildren at our island camp in the Adirondacks caught me. My confidence to walk at the same place where I broke both legs a year ago returned. It was a major turning point for which I am very grateful. My son lives in Tallahassee, but he was out of town when Hurricane Michael hit."

**Susan McClelland Mosse** says: "Back to work very quickly after cardio surgery, which worked wonders! Feeling better than ever and having fun doing gardening and pots. At the moment, I'm helping organize an exhibition for Nick and James Turrell with the Pace Gallery. It's in an art fair in Palo Alto called FOG. Hope to go to Lisbon over Christmas with some wonderful old neighbours: dragging **Ada Long** out of her island paradise and her sister **Ann '59** may join in, as well as my brother, **Bruce '67**. Hoping **Peggy Blanke Henderson** might come to little Ireland so we can do some gardens, plants, etc. Anyone else is always welcome too." Susan heard from **Ada Long** concerning Hurricane Michael. She is safe, but four feet of water surging through her house in St. George Island, Florida, will present quite a cleanup.

**Nettie Orthwein Dodge** enjoyed our 55th with a wonderful group. She spent the summer in the hay fields and loved it. She

hopes to spend more time with her girls and their families this winter.

**Roxie Pool** says: "I've spent most of the summer exploring and hiking around Colorado's wonderful towns: Breckenridge, Crested Butte, Ouray, Pagosa, Lake City, Great Sand Dunes, Princeton Hot Springs and Crestone. I feel so incredibly grateful to have ended up here, and I never stop being awed by the beauty! Still working some in real estate and going to Mexico in November. Back to Raja Ampat in West Papua with three friends in January for 10 days."

**Dudley Roulhac Grove** writes: "Jim and I escaped several times this summer. We took a 12-day Amtrak trip with stops in Portland, Seattle and St. Paul. Our country is beautiful! Now in France for three weeks. What a treat, including dinner with seventh cousins. (We have a common grandfather born in 1728.)"

**Nancy Shoenberg Sanders** says: "It's lovely to hear everyone's news. Things are pretty much the same around here. Lots of music, opera and celebrations with children and grandchildren (seven at the moment). We had a great trip to Salzburg, Bayreuth, Beaver Creek and Santa Fe this summer. Life is good, and we are truly blessed."

**Suzanne Williams Haaland** replies: "I have downsized and moved to Richmond. Very different from being in a rural area for so many years. Had a great trip to Morocco with the Virginia Museum. Will spend the winter in Florida. Visitors welcome! I was sorry to miss the fun with classmates in St. Louis."

**Emy Young Boag** says: "It does not seem any time at all since we were enjoying our Muny, Arch and Zoo tours; checking out the art and **Barbara Martin Smith's** gorgeous watercolors; and sharing stories at Sally's and Dudley's dinners. Bill continues to rave about the activities from Reunion! Since then, I have been spending a lot of time visiting grandchildren, mostly in Harbor Springs, Michigan. Working with my middle and high school tutoring clients as they develop their writing and literary analysis skills continues to be a real joy. Participating on the fellowship team and being an active Stephen Minister take the rest of my time."

## 1963 CDS

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**Joe Campagna** reports that he got a good response from Classmates this time...maybe it's just nostalgia or the fact that we are all "playing the back nine."

**Bob Kaplan** writes: "The Kaplans celebrated 51 years of marriage with a trip to the Arctic Circle, hunting down what was left of the ice cap. Still playing in three bands and a sax quartet, working one day a week, keeping out of trouble the rest of the time with woodwork, gardening and photography. The two grandkids (9 and 7) call me Baba!"

**Randy Bell** shared his love for lighthouses in this most recent contribution: "Roughly concurrent with this current U.S. presidency, I have shared a seaside neighborhood with a lovely antique (1856) lighthouse. For me, it has become a symbolic beacon of truth. Today, the lighthouse is functionally obsolete in our GPS world. But, perhaps, it still helps us 'find our way.' Turn on your love light, brothers, hopefully, it will help us light the way forward. Keep the faith!"

**Kim Love** writes from Wyoming: "In June, I was honored to be inducted into the Wyoming Association of Broadcasters' Hall of Fame. In my retirement, I've re-opened a bankrupt Main Street restaurant and have been focusing on local philanthropic activities such as the Sheridan Public Arts Committee, the Community Foundation and Dining for a Cause, a fundraiser where we donate 100% of the day's proceeds to a local non-profit. In the last year, we've raised more than \$200,000 through this effort."

**John Freund** reports: "Penny and I are great. Our son, Chris, lives in Saigon, has his own very successful private equity fund, is married and has two beautiful daughters. Just had my knee replaced, the one I had operated on in 1962. Rehab going well and walking without an issue. I failed retirement and have taken a senior advisor role with a family office here in Chicago. Gets me out of the house a couple days a week but keeps me involved with the financial markets and presents me with some interesting investment opportunities."

From **Harry Tamm**: "Still working 50 hours a week, which leaves little time for hobbies. It's all I can do to make it to grandkids' soccer games and play the occasional (bad) round of golf. My grandfather nickname is unique, however, so I thought I would throw it out there: Sparky. Ask me, and I might explain. Cheers."

**George Diehr** reported that **Don Smiegiel** did another run down the Gauley River; supposedly there's a video on YouTube. Ask him to send it to you soon, as Gaper is the most likely to meet a sudden demise based on decades of "how dangerous could it be?" and "what could go wrong?" thinking.

**Jamie Spencer** writes: "Very little news, but wife Anna and I took a 10-day cruise to Norway early this summer. And in July, I fell chasing our sweet Pug (named Isosceles for his three legs) and ended up needing a reverse shoulder replacement. Not a fun experience." Jamie, getting injured while chasing a three-legged dog is not a good sign at all...

While many of us have retired, **Dr. Harry Quigley** is still at it: "I'm working full time as medical school professor, clinician/surgeon and researcher. Spending more time with community ecology programs, park development, tree planting and horticulture at the National Aquarium in Baltimore with Cristina, who's a long-time volunteer for their animal programs. My son, David, teaches at University of California - San Francisco in oncology. My daughter, Erica, is a landscape architect in Boston."

**Neil Senturia** says: "Like all of us, I have grown children and now grandchildren, and I also have a political wife who is on the City Council of San Diego and will run for mayor in 2020. So the dilemma is simple: She has a job, and I will need one (start another software company or get the cabin in Montana)."

**John Kittner** writes: "I had a successful colonoscopy, but right now I can't think of anything else momentous. We did just celebrate our 50th, but that's only significant in that one woman stayed with me for so long. All six of my grandkids call me John. Story goes that we housesat our oldest for a long weekend, and my wife gave out so many

instructions (John, hurry and get... etc.) that he started calling me that."

**Peter Kirstein** is another of us who has shunned retirement and reports: "I published a book chapter on Marxism and pedagogy for Brill Press. I ran the Chicago marathon after our 50th but one and done." Peter is still teaching and will hit the half-century mark in 2020 at Saint Xavier University in Chicago.

From **Jay Hensley**: "Barbara and I plan to spend six months a year in Naples, Florida, where I volunteer at the Southwest Florida Conservancy, an environmental organization seeing to the preservation of land, water and wildlife. I drive passengers on an electric boat through the Gordon River and Golden Gate Canal and talk about issues affecting the Florida Everglades. Our condo in Naples was attacked by a black bear last month (scratches on the front door to prove it). I'm not sure from a karma perspective what that means, but if I find out, I'll let you know."

**Joe Campagna** closes with this: "Thanks to those who responded. I had a few more momentous events than Kittner (not hard to do). I have three grandkids, but no nicknames. Oldest son running for judge in Seattle. We're still pushing ahead with our nonprofit and donations always welcomed ([www.yellowwolfadvocacyproject.com](http://www.yellowwolfadvocacyproject.com)). Caroline and I went past 50 years of marriage in June, and we need to 'celebrate' by returning to Ireland and getting to Italy."

## 1964 MI

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This year marks the 159th since the founding of Mary Institute, the 101st since Country Day School was established and MICDS 26th year. These impressive numbers pale in comparison to the fact that our splendid Class of 1964 is celebrating our 55th Reunion. A joyous celebration is needed and will occur during the MICDS Reunion on May 2-5, 2019.

Class President **Barbara Baur Dunlap** and her committee are busy planning various activities—including a hen party; an evening with partners, friends and spouses; and a Bon Voyage brunch. In addition, there will be the School's Reunion Dinner and a luncheon for those who have celebrated their 50th reunions.

Now it's time for Class News.

**Jacky Israel Blakeslee** emailed: "With Pete retired, we see the kids and grandkids a lot. Have three in college now and two more graduating from high school this year. Met the Galts at Big Cedar last month and had a great time."

**Kimmy Thompson Brauer** sent news that the four Thompson sisters (**Kathy '60, Gale '62, Kimmy and Rosalie '65**) are meeting in St. Louis for a three-generational reunion for spouses, children and "grands." There will be a photographer, and Kimmy says she will "share the fun with everyone at our upcoming 55th."

**Marie Compagna Brauer** is one of many classmates who has volunteered for the School. She reports: "I am in my last year of a six-year term on the MICDS Board of Trustees. After a hiatus of more than 25 years, it's been a terrific experience. The MICDS name truly encompasses the reality; both girls and boys are thriving, and the sum is indeed greater than the parts. Also, it has been great fun to serve with an array of people I never knew, as well as some young alums and current parents who were our kids' classmates; **McKay Baur Mills '92** (**Kitty Shelton Bollinger's** daughter and classmate of **Ashley Brauer Foote '92**) and **Jeff Giles '94** (classmate of **Jason Brauer '94**). Looking forward to our 55th!"

A quick note from Barbara Baur Dunlap stated: "Not much new on the front other than I got a really nice letter from **Maria Davis** (aka **Mary Falchero**). She is professor emeritus at San Antonio College. I saw in an MICDS magazine that her sister, **Ruth '68**, was in town for a class reunion, so I sure hope Maria is able to come to ours next May. Our other exciting news is that one of our kids, who has lived abroad for years, is moving back to the U.S. Love to everyone." You'll be hearing more from Barbara as our plans come together.

**Marianne Schultz Galt** sent an informal reunion invitation and her news. She said: "I think Kimmy, **Betsy** and I are prepared to host

a hen party on Thursday night for the class at Chez Brauer. My news: Our **Farrell '93** and her family have moved to St. Louis, so I am spending a lot of time with grandmotherly duties with Margot, Marianne and Penn, son of **Scott '90**. It is fun having them all here. **Sandy '60** has retired from Commerce Trust Company. I continue to be a residential real estate agent but am winding down on that. We head to Delray Beach, Florida, for much of the winter. I love it there, but home is still St. Louis."

A note arrived from **Kim Marschel Flachmann**, our May Queen, who wrote: "Thank you for continuing to keep us sharing our stories. Here is my latest info. Professionally, I am still the writing program director at California State University, Bakersfield, and am revising two of my textbooks for college composition (Mrs. Giesselmann would be shocked!). Personally, my husband, Michael Flachmann, died in 2013. My children, Christopher and Laura, have found their partners, and Christopher has two children.

**Penny Williams George** reports the birth of Locke Langford (Ford) George on May 20. He is the son of **Locke '00** and **Abigail '01**.

Our class thespian **Punkin Hirsch** (aka Carolyn Michel) reported: "This summer, I was nominated by the Italian Oniros Film Awards for Best Actress of the Year for my work in the short film "Katia." Howard and I planned a trip to Italy that included going to the festival, and I won Best Actress Award at the Oniros Film Awards in Aosta, Italy. So fun! We continued on to Milan and then to London to see shows. I'm now back in Sarasota resting on my laurels and enjoying family visits.

## 1965 MI

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In July, I read an article about the venerable Hotel Lutetia in Paris reopening after a massive redo. According to the article, the hotel was home to Ernest Hemingway, James Joyce, Picasso and Charles de Gaulle, as well as survivors of the Holocaust. It was also where members of the MI Summer in France trip—

**Donna Schultz Heidbreder, Anne Kennard, Weezie Legg Deland, Sallie Williams, Elizabeth Kendall, Nancy Charles Miller** and I—stayed for a few days in the summer of 1964. My photos of that trip are fuzzy, but my memories are clear: Paris, Mont St. Michel, classes in Tours, Bastille Day, Cannes and Madame Seewoster. Memories!

On to the news.

**Ann Calfee Alden**: "My daughters, Jennifer and Alexa, along with my sister-in-law Carolyn Calfee and I took a fabulous girls trip to Vancouver in August. We watched killer whales at play, had high tea at the Empress Hotel in Victoria, spent a day at Stanley Park and took the gondola to the top of the mountain on the way to Whistler. Alexa's daughter is in kindergarten in Oceanside, California, and Jennifer's kids, Zane and Ava, are in 4th grade and 8th grade in Tucson. Both are outstanding athletes—Zane in baseball and Ava in swimming and volleyball."

**Connie Shapleigh Martin**: "In July, after eight years away, I returned to rent the Big House at Misham for three wonderful weeks where I spent time with family. My latest travel adventure included the Balkan countries of Greece, Albania and Macedonia where civilization can be traced to the earliest humans, and the influences of East and West clash even to this day. We explored the Monasteries of Meteora, which date back to the early 14th century."

**Irene Leland**: "I am joyous that my dream has come true! One of my original songs, *As You Dream Tonight*, has been published and assigned to a major record label! I recorded a duet in Las Vegas with Keith Gallihier, Master-award winning artist. Clarence Collins, the founder/lead singer of Little Anthony and the Imperials and member of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, produced my record, and Patrick Thrall, three-time Grammy nominee, arranged. His arrangement is magnificent, giving my folk song a new life as a romantic ballad!"

**Weezie Legg Deland**: "Having a great time with grandchildren. Thanks to my son-in-law's new job, my daughter's family (three girls—5, 4 and 1) moved from Burlington, Vermont, to the Boston area. Our son and his family, including our 1-year-old grandson, split their time between Gloucester, Massachusetts, and Victor, Idaho. We are waiting to

01. Connie Shapleigh Martin '65 with Jan Shapleigh Mackey '65 and Jane Ruwitch Mitchell '65 in Mishaum, Massachusetts.
02. Connie Shapleigh Martin '65 in Meteora, Greece.
03. Siena Rose Testo, daughter of Tom and Katie Price Testo '03.
04. Irene Leland '65 recorded and published an original song.
05. Linda Glick '65 with family at granddaughter Rachel Rapson's wedding: Rachel, Morgan Holt, Alan and Marcie Wachter, daughter Jan Holt, Linda, Hannah Holt and Dan Glick.
06. Jan Shapleigh Mackey '65 with daughter Jane Mackey Foster, Zach Foster and family.



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see which wins out. Our younger daughter lives in East Boston. We had a fun trip to Scotland last spring and a fascinating trip this fall exploring Olympic National Park in Washington State. Still love spending as much time as possible in Biddeford Pool, Maine in the summer and at Sugarloaf Mountain in Maine in the winter.”

**Becky Woolsey Ester:** “This summer Gary and I flew to California where we spent a few days with **Patti Baer Lehr** and Bob. Gary and I then visited our son, Patrick, and his wife, Melanie. They just moved to San Francisco from San Mateo. Patrick is still at his international school in San Francisco where he teaches programming classes and interfaces with teachers and their classes on the computer. Next, we toured the awesome Sequoia National Park. My daughter, Audrey, and her husband, John, are in the process of moving to Bloomington, Indiana, with new jobs.”

My big news, as **Leigh Limberg Mason** said, is that Dick and I have joined the grandparents club. Siena Rose Testo was born to **Katie Price Testo '03** and Tom in Portland, Oregon, on August 13. Siena has made an aunt out of **Wendy Price '99** and an uncle out of our son Jeff. We are all very excited and hope to spend a lot of time with her.

## 1966 MI

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Here we are, gladly back in our chairs as your 1966 Class Agents. And just like J.D. Salinger, we have been silent for way too long.

Let's first travel to Australia where **Diane Deal Parks** lives in Sydney. She stays busy tending her vegetable garden, playing piano and doing occasional copy editing for Deakin University. She also still volunteers for Musica Viva, a producer of chamber music concerts that brings live music and music education to underprivileged children. She is looking forward to her sister and brother-in-law visiting her for Christmas. We send our condolences to Diane for the loss of her mother in late 2017.

We've also recently heard from **Liz Douglas**, whose son's family is going through some very difficult health issues. We want her to know that we are all thinking of her and wishing her family the best.

And in France, we have **Lark Upson**, who has permanently moved to this beautiful country. She has purchased another fixer-upper in her little French town and now knows more construction lingo than Madame Seewoster could ever have imagined. Lark does return to Vermont, however, for some very successful art shows that showcase her portraits and paintings of endangered species. This fall, Lark and husband, Jack Hoffman, celebrated her step-mother's 100th birthday back in the U.S.

Now we move to the west coast of the U.S. where **Becky Egle von Schrader** and husband, **Eric '66**, love living in Carpinteria, California. Only Becky could put a happy face on California's recent fires, torrential rains and mudslides. She hopes to teach classes in authentic movement and to do other “embody your greatness” courses.

**Patty Glaser**, our perfectly grounded California connection, is still in San Ramon loving every minute of her retirement. She celebrated her 70th with **Sally Bowen Fletcher** and **Barbie Winkelmeyer Ballard** during a wonderful lunch together. Patty's mom is 91 and still lives on her own, so Patty returns regularly to St. Louis to check on her.

Moving to the beautiful Rockies, **Noel Messing Hefty** and her daughter, Tara, completed the Colorado Grand, a charity event in its 30th year that raises money for western slope charities. The road trip is 1,000+ miles over four days, which they drove in Noel's 1956 Austin Healy 100M. Noel and husband Terry are traveling to SE Asia in fall, 2018. And next summer, they are planning a cruise from Croatia to Southern Italy to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

**Sally Lewis Kennedy** still lives in Denver where she visited **Mary Schlapp Thistle** this summer. Sally celebrated her 70th with husband Tim and **Sally Jones Foley** and husband Ned in the Galapagos. Thanks to Sally's classes in Zumba, she gracefully swam with sharks, iguanas, turtles and seals. Oh, my. With her older grandchildren now in school, Sally continues to spend one day a week with her youngest grandson.

Mary Schlapp Thistle travels between Colorado and Florida. She is preparing for Nationals in

the longest scarf knitting competition. She's already taken first place in Florida and recently won second in the Southeast Region. Mary truly believes that her endless knitting is keeping arthritis at bay. In addition, Mary continues to play a mean accordion in a band as well as performing solo.

Speaking of Florida, **Tauna Urban Durand**, another avid traveler, took a five-week cruise that began in Maui and ended in Miami, with a stop in Cuba. She took a 10-day trip to Canada with her sister, **Vicky '67**, and to Atlanta, Austin and Dallas to visit other family. All kids and grandchildren are doing fine.

From her base in Connecticut, **Ellen Griesedieck Posey** is hard at work on Phase I of her American Mural Project. Michelangelo, working tirelessly on the Sistine Chapel, had nothing on Ellen. Her AMP work is truly a labor of love. Her daughter, Judy, was married in the spring of 2018.

**Anne Steiner Manning** is still blissfully happy in Boston. She teaches a few very cool courses in creative thinking at Harvard—Anne always was a smarty pants! She also spans the globe by living on Martha's Vineyard and has a condo in Miami Beach. Her kids are happy and enjoying their lives. One is in D.C. and the other on Cape Cod. Anne tells us she is “grateful for everything that came before that enables her to be healthy, have fun and enjoy so much of the world.”

Back home in Missouri, we find **Pam Moulton Baker**, who has loved reconnecting with classmates from our 50th reunion. She has downsized to a new house that is cozy and comfortable. She also has a wonderful cottage on the Leelanau Peninsula in Michigan, which gives her great serenity. Pam's son and daughter-in-law live in Thailand, and she hopes to see them in June 2019.

**Laura Kloos Justiss** is enjoying her fifth year of retirement in the Central West End. She continues to work as a Medicare counselor with the Alzheimer's Association in an early-stage education program at Barnes Hospital. We love the fact that her new cats are named Coltrane and Slate. Next should be George, Paul, John and Ringo.

Her Honor, **Susan Frelich Appleton**, after turning down a Supreme Court seat, celebrated

her 70th birthday with husband, Bob, with a hiking trip to Japan. She continues to write and teach at Washington University's law school, participate in the work of the American Law Institute and serve on the board of the local Planned Parenthood. One of her publications won a Dukeminier Award from Williams Institute at UCLA. Susan became a grandparent in 2017 with the birth of Bennett Edward Haigler Appleton, son of **Jesse Appleton '97**. Son number two, **Seth Appleton '00**, after appearing before the U.S. Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, awaits confirmation as Assistant Secretary of HUD for Policy Development and Research.

From Pennsylvania, **Abby Martin Packer** is spending a good deal of time out west visiting her kids. Her daughter, Cameron, is in Sun Valley and her son, Derrick, is in Breckenridge with grandson Julien. Abby is enjoying being a potter, trying out new techniques with various clay bodies and firing methods.

**Kris Beam Dewees** loves retirement with husband, Chuck. They have done some traveling but are still busy with their church, Kairos Prison Ministry, Bible study and PEO—a women's philanthropic organization that provides financial assistance to women who want to further their education. Kris' daughter and her family moved to the Carolinas last summer, but fortunately her son remains near Kris in Houston.

And finally, from your scribes: **Gale Rutherford Dunlap** continues to work as a senior executive coach and serves on the board of directors of a new nonprofit in Boulder. Her daughter, Kate, is a water resource scientist for the City of Boulder, is married and has two children. Their son, Will, is a senior business analyst at MillerCoors and one of their rare Official Tasters for all MillerCoors beers. With husband Sandy, they continue to travel extensively, visiting Vancouver, British Columbia, New Zealand, Australia, Claire's house in Vermont, Italy and London this year.

**Claire Keeler Beck** continues to commute between Colorado and Vermont. She and David have fallen into the house-building business because the old house they tried to move fell apart. They were then forced to build a new one in its place. Claire has found time to ride her new horse

across the meadows of Colorado and to take photos of horses in the Camargue, France, this year. Later in the year, she and David have planned a trip to Madagascar to photograph lemurs."



*Sally Bowen Fletcher '66, Patty Glaser '66 and Barbie Winkelmeier Ballard '66*



*Noel Messing Hefty '66 with her daughter.*



*Sally Jones Foley '66 and Sally Lewis Kennedy '66*



*Mary Schlapp Thistle '66 and Gale Rutherford Dunlap '66 in Carrara, Italy at the marble mines.*

## 1968 MI

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**Joan Langenberg** traveled to India last summer. **Christy Holt Bowman** visited Seattle and hiked with **Nancy Davis**, who has recently moved to Sequim, Washington. Ever the environmentalist, Nancy is the proud owner of a bright red Tesla. We are indebted to Christy for compiling a contact list for the class of 1968. **Holly Holtz** and **Ann Grossman Boon** will be channeling their inner mountaineers by traveling to Argentina and hiking in Patagonia this fall.

**Jenny Ross Manganaro** visited London in October. **Lou Horan Noland** and **Ted '67** also went to London and Switzerland in September before embarking on a barge trip in France. Lou and Ted's St. Louis grandchildren are 11, 9, 7 and 4, and all except the youngest attend MICDS.

**Karen Smith Hempstead** and Ed traveled west this spring to Zion and Bryce Canyons and the Grand Canyon before ending up in Sedona. Karen also wanted to thank all those who traveled to St. Louis for the 50th reunion and those who worked on making the reunion such a success.

**Missy Ingham Pixton's** late husband, Marvin, will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors on December 4. Marv was retired as a colonel in the Marine Corps, having been on active duty from 1963 to 1988. He had two tours of duty in Vietnam flying jets and helicopters and received the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Legion of Merit award for his service.

**Jodie Brodhead Moore** visited MICDS in October to serve on a Board of Advisors meeting addressing areas of interest and concern in independent schools.

Congratulations to **Carol Ferring Shepley** who has a new book, the second edition of *St. Louis: An Illustrated Timeline*. She is presently quite busy giving talks to promote the book.

**Missy Morriss Schroll** is a new grandmother to Charles Crawford Carson, born May 22 in Dallas. **Ann Boon** has a new granddaughter, born last summer in Denver, but she has not yet

supplied us with a name! Our condolences to Ann on the death of her father in July. **Bonnie Black Taylor**'s son, Jack, married Jennifer Irene Barreault in Lake Tahoe. **Betsy Trent Heberling**'s son, Andrew, was married to Monica King in June in Mequon, Wisconsin.



*Christy Holt Bowman '68 and Nancy Davis '68 catching up this past summer.*



*Betsy Trent Heberling '68, Andrew Heberling, Monica King Heberling, Trent Heberling and Peter Heberling.*

## 1969 MI

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Greetings to members of the Mary Institute Class of 1969. Although clearly we are all way too young, it seems that we are approaching our 50th reunion (May 2019)! Yikes! I have a few details to share with you in an effort to rally all the troops to assemble in St. Louis the first weekend in May. The friendships formed at Mary Institute in the '50s and '60s have stood us all in good stead. We made special bonds during our time at MI, and we should celebrate that.

**Marki Cady, Jill Goessling Dowd and Barb Kennedy** are planning a wonderful Reunion

Weekend for us. There will be a party for classmates-only at Jill's on the Friday night and a combined event with our cohorts from Country Day on Saturday night at the Deer Creek Club. The School will also host a number of activities throughout the weekend, including tours for those who have not seen the campus recently. So please put the dates on your calendar (May 2-May 5), start your diets, get that age-defying hair cut and plan on being here—or risk being square! Now for a bit of class news:

**Beth Green Kling** recently returned from her growing family's (two married kids, four grandchildren) annual summer trip to Wisconsin. Beth loves the family time, the outdoor sports and especially the ice cream! At home in St. Louis, Beth tutors elementary school kids in the Kirkwood School District and volunteers at a Christian youth program in South St. Louis.

**Pamela Lanier** requests a Blues Pub Crawl for our reunion. Pam also continues to investigate and report on sustainability practices—most recently in a book she wrote about organic wineries. Pam mostly lives in Sonoma, but she recently bought a home in southern Florida to be closer to her oldest daughter and her brand new granddaughter, Luna Sofia.

**Parker Block McMillan** recently added a ninth grandchild to her brood and is happy to report that all nine live in St. Louis. Parker and her husband, **Steve McMillan '74**, recently built a new house in Kirkwood, and when Parker has spare time, she volunteers at the Missouri Botanical Garden, The Shaw Nature Preserve, The St. Louis Herb Society and Voices for Children.

**Alice Beckers Muckerman** is delighted to have some of her offspring living in St. Louis at last. Son **Alex Muckerman '06** moved to St. Louis to attend the Graduate Business School at Washington University and now lives with his wife, Arianna, and their new baby, Poppy Pearl Muckerman, just a few short miles away from Alice. Poppy was named for two of her great grandmothers.

Our condolences to **Paige Peck** on the death of her mom, **Beverley '38**, who died this summer at age 98.

**Jennifer (formerly Limberg) Royal** is thrilled to report that her musician son, Jesse Carmichael of Maroon Five fame, and his partner, Tara, had a baby boy, Hendrix, this summer. Since Maroon Five is on a major fall tour, Jen is going to be a live-in nanny/grammy for September and October in Los Angeles, and then she is going to relocate permanently to a new house in Boulder, Colorado, where her daughter, Annie, and family live. It should be an exciting new chapter, and Jennifer welcomes all visitors!

Condolences to **Lucia O'Reilly**, whose husband died recently.

**Marie Howe Sprague** reports that she saw classmates **Tandy Thompson** and **Lucia O'Reilly** this summer while at her home in Rhode Island. Marie, her husband, Dan, and Tandy have major travel plans for 2019: They will be doing an educational cruise around Cuba in January and then Marie and Tandy will head to New Zealand and Australia for the rest of January and February. Marie looks forward to the reunion.

Tandy Thompson has immersed herself in overseeing the restoration of several French Colonial properties in St. Genevieve, Missouri. The properties are owned by the National Society of Colonial Dames of America, of which Tandy is a member, and will be a crucial part of a proposed new National Park. Tandy and her two labradors visited Marie Sprague in Rhode Island and her sister, **Lida Thompson Lloyd '61**, in Cape Cod this summer. Condolences to Tandy, who lost both her father and her younger sister, Ceci, this past year.

**Christy Trauernicht** and her husband, Don Piktialis, built a new home in Florida in a small town called Sebastian which is just north of Vero Beach. They are on the Indian River Lagoon, and there is a nature preserve bordering their development. For now, Christy and Don are dividing their time between Massachusetts and Florida. Christy still enjoys working on her pottery and is going to the gym regularly in preparation for the big reunion!

**Anne MacDonald Wilson** and her husband, Mark, are keeping low profiles these days. Mark recently sold his business and is working part time as an Albuquerque school bus driver, which he enjoys. Meanwhile, Anne stayed on at Mark's company as the office manager, and the new owner gave her a raise! They are enjoying their golden retriever, Buster Brown, and Anne has become vice president of the local Golden Retriever Club.

Finally I, **Phoebe Scott Burke**, am still in the old family home, which luckily both my husband and I love because the upkeep is continuous. Since the last Class Notes, I have seen my family multiply with the additions of in-laws and grandchildren, all in St. Louis—a wonderful thing. Spencer and I have recently become the directors of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions in St. Louis, an annual competition for young singers from around the country. We both enjoy opera so much—it has been fun to be involved.



Christy Trauernicht '69.

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**Joe Rechter** is thrilled to share he is a grandfather for the first time. His daughter **Louisa Rechter Takacs '05** had a baby boy on October 8th in New York City, and the baby weighed 8lbs, 3oz.

## 1970 MI

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Greetings to my classmates. I hope everyone is doing well, and I want to thank you for your contributions. Just a quick reminder about our 50th reunion May 2020. Please give that some thought. It will be here before you know it.

From **Cathy Trauernicht**: "Dun and I are slowly approaching another fork in the road of life, as he nears 'retirement.' (I put that word in quotes because he'll still be active in the world of finance). I'm winding down my dog ramp business after 11 years and looking for an investor who will grow it into the next decade. My political engagements remain active. Daughter Allison continues to work for Naval Intelligence in the Washington, DC, area, and son Penn now is enrolled in business school at Carnegie Mellon University."

**Jill Stein** is living in Paris. She has been there for 28 years and is happily now retired. She writes: "At the risk of sounding pretentious, 'tout va bien.' So what's new with me? The only thing that is new is that I am now on Medicare. Yawning yet? I'll bet you are dying to know whether I have plan A and/or B? And, what about part D? Continuing in that vein, I am sure you are itching to know if I am taking Social Security." And the mystery continues.

**Suzi Hoerr Davis'** oldest son was married at the end of the summer. Dan still teaches high school at Heritage Christian. Susie walks dogs, house sits and is very involved in their church's Bible study for women.

**Sally Scheid Cox** is having fun writing murder mysteries. She has had two performed and is currently writing the third! She will be taking her first cruise Christmas week, and she is very excited!

**Sunie Lasky** has enjoyed reconnecting with some of her classmates and friends since returning to St. Louis. She has been taking care of her mother at the Dolan House, a memory care home. After four surgeries on her hip, Sunie's legs are finally even! Katie Josephson, Sunie's daughter, is senior marketing and branding manager at Sky Zone Sports. Sunie is excited to return to her former promotion business.

I have been fortunate to see **Genie Cannon Guilliams** on my trips to St. Louis and am happy to report that Genie and Dennis are doing well. The wedding of her niece, Tasha Allen, was a wonderful event in September. Genie continues to work relentlessly on her garden and dreams of the pool she is going to put in her backyard.

All is well in the lives of **Mooie Holmes Carpenter** and **Phil Estep '70**. They continue to enjoy their condo living in Clayton and working on Phil's historic tax credit business. They loved seeing **Lawrie Conant Smylie**, **Pam Farrell Dupuis** and **Elizabeth Donnell Morrison** in St. Louis and frequently enjoy the company of '70 MI and CDS classmates who live in town. September was a big month: They attended the wedding of Suzi Hoerr Davis' oldest son in Indianapolis over Labor Day weekend; Phil's oldest son visited from Sweden for two weeks; and Mooie and Jill Stein visited Elizabeth Donnell Morrison in Philadelphia. All so much fun!

We heard from **Nathalie Pettus**: "This year has been a busy one. I sold my restaurant in Clarksville this spring, but our fabulous culinary team still provides scrumptious dinners on site by reservation. The new inn, called the Lodge, officially opens this fall. We're finishing a pizza courtyard as part of our event venue, Avalon Hall."

After her retirement almost two years ago and recent knee replacement, **Maud Essen** took a celebratory trip to three islands in Indonesia. After returning to St. Louis, she continued her political activism and got serious about redesigning her house in the Central West End. When she's not working, Maud enjoys hanging out and traveling with friends from high school, college and beyond as well as cooking for the homeless.

**Tina Rutledge Veraldi's** short article (in press) about an innovative orthotic design was published in *The Journal of Hand Therapy*. She's working on another one with a demonstration video where the model "hand patients" are Sunie Lasky and Genie Cannon Guilliams. Maud Essen also assisted with the production. With this project, Tina has a "retired/active" professional status, which fits into her schedule that's also filled with "class of 70s Movie Nights," as well as helping take care of her mother and two grandsons in University City.

**Caron Lindburg Ulmer** and Bruce are still in the western Philadelphia suburbs. Bruce retired last year and continues to try to corral Caron into home improvement projects, while she is focused on renovating a condo in Stratton, Vermont, after two floods. Son Clint wed Hillary Wiener in Tulsa in June (Caron's 93-year-old dad Clint led the processional). Daughters Tracy and Lisa have careers in corporate archiving outside D.C. and immigration law in Philly, respectively.

And from **Ellen Shapleigh Sedgwick**: "All is pretty much the same. **Bill '67** has been retired for three years, and we are enjoying life! Lots of traveling: We just got home from a Kalos Golf Cruise on the Danube River!"

**Wendy Cole Dixon** is being ordained as a transitional deacon in the Anglican Church in North America on Dec. 1. A year later, plus or minus, she'll be ordained an Anglican priest.

From me, **Pam Farrell Dupuis**: "I was in St. Louis in September to attend the wedding of Genie's niece, Tasha Allen, who married Michael Thaman. While there, I saw Sunie, Tina, Mooie and Nathalie. I have been attending an online trading school and get up at 5 a.m. every morning to trade futures. After 20 years, I still manage to get to my pilates class twice a week. Michaela is doing well, and Mom is still living on her own in Clayton and turned 96 in October."

We would like to extend our heartfelt condolences to Ellen Shapleigh Sedgwick on the loss of her mother. We send our thoughts and prayers to Ellen and her family.

Our condolences to Lawrie Conant Smylie and her family on the death of her husband, Ben Smylie, who died June 3, 2018. Please accept our thoughts and prayers.



*Sue Rechter, Jill Stein '70, Joe Rechter '69 and Genie Williams '70.*



*Nathalie Pettus '70, Pam Farrell Dupuis '70, Tina Veraldi '70, Genie Williams '70 and Sunie Lasky '70.*

## 1970 CDS

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A toast to all the classmates, family and friends reading this installment of the CDS '70 Class Notes. In September, we held our annual reunion dinner, celebrating the classmates who matriculated in Class 2: **Bob Belt** and **Tim Gillespie**.

It was a rather bittersweet dinner. Tim Gillespie passed away on September 20 after a long battle with diabetes. Bob Belt was at the dinner and together we toasted Tim. I did not know him well at CDS, but we became good friends in the past 10 years as we worked together on the reunions and on our attempts to contact "lost" class members. Good travels, Tim! A group of classmates attended the service for Tim at St. Anselm's Parish in West County. I was surprised and pleased to see **Larry Lawless** there. He is looking good and doing well.

Attending the reunion dinner were **Bob Belt, Mike Burns, Mike Crawford, Tom Duncan, Phil Estep, John Fox, Cap Grossman, Jon Heitner, Mark Johnson, Wes Mellow, Ernie Planck, Bill Sprich, Bill Swartout, Tim Wagner, Bob Wells** and yours truly, **Paul Anagnostopoulos**. **Charlie Schott** was planning on attending but had travel problems. Head of School **Lisa Lyle** joined us for drinks prior to the meal. As always, everyone had a great time while chatting about old times. It was particularly enjoyable to catch up with **Bill Swartout**, whom most of us had not seen for years. Thanks to you and Mark for making the trek to St. Louis.

**Dave Oetting** was kind enough to host me when I was in St. Louis. I'm sorry to report that Dave's mother, Marie, passed away in October at the amazing age of 91. Dave himself had a medical scare during September and October. After multiple tests and exploratory surgeries, the results were negative and the scare unnecessary. Our best wishes go out to Dave and his family for a difficult fall.

I must also report that **Cap Grossman's** father, **Sidney**, passed away in July. He had a great run, breaking the 100-year mark. As **Larry McDaniel** said, he was a "cool guy."

I heard from **Bill McMillan**, who couldn't make it to the reunion. He and Kim have moved to Santa Barbara, California. Both are doing just fine.

**Tom Collinger** also could not make it, due to his teaching duties at Northwestern. He tells us, "I'm now only working half time, managing a research center and doing a wee bit of teaching."

**Henry Bangert** checked in to say that all is well. He planned to attend the reunion dinner but had to leave town. He sends his best wishes to all.

I heard from **Tim Barksdale** and **Flip Cady**, who expressed their regrets at the passing of Tim Gillespie. Both fellows are doing fine. **Randy McDonnell** sent us some funny stories about Tim. Apparently he was a notorious traffic snarler, among other things.

I heard from **Jim Liberman**, who is doing well in San Francisco. He had a letter published in the *New York Times* regarding the Kavanaugh hearings.

My long and slow slide toward retirement continues. I recently completed a model of a '29 Ford Roadster converted to a truck and just started working on a '62 Pontiac Catalina with a 421. Cynthia is not slowing down her reporting for the Carlisle Mosquito, which is many weeks a full-time job. The kids are doing well. In January, I will announce the date of our 2019 reunion dinner, at which we celebrate the matriculation of those who started with us in Class 1. And that is an empty set.



Tim Gillespie '70



Members of CDS '70 gather during Reunion Weekend.

## 1971 MI

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It finally happened: The year of Medicare! And let's not forget those great discounts at Applebee's and IHOP. How in the Age of Aquarius did this happen to us? I choose to think of it as a new found power. Because along with those discounts comes a great confidence that many of us are enjoying life to the fullest as we continue to grow and change.

**K.K. DuVivier** moved to Boulder last February to be closer to her daughter, son-in-law and two granddaughters. "I'm still teaching as a full tenured professor at University of Denver-Sturm College of Law (DU SCOL). I will have to be riding the bus and light rail for a while, but it's worth it."

It's more than worth it to DU SCOL, which honored K.K. at its Law Stars dinner Nov. 1, 2018 with the Robert B. Yegge Teaching Excellence Award, presented to a teacher for outstanding contributions to the field of judicial administration. K.K. downplays it, but this is a really big deal. She is a shining star who makes us all so proud. **Molly Coe Niven** and **Kathy Fordyce Peake** were there to cheer her on.

**Kathy Peake** reports: "After retirement as the city judge for Fredericksburg, Texas, for 27 years, I'm enjoying living near the Pedernales River. I am kayaking, biking, clearing cedar and prickly pear and travelling in a teardrop trailer visiting five grandchildren, all under three."

**Judy Griesedieck** is still shooting photos and videos as a freelancer while also working several days a week for the University of Minnesota Bee Squad, taking care of honey bees in the Twin Cities and suburbs. "Amazing work," she says. And speaking of amazing, last February she skied her fifth American Birkebeiner 50K Nordic ski race with her daughter, Taylor, that was quickly followed by some rest and relaxation in Vero Beach with **Hope Jones Welles** (Taylor's godmother).

It's been quite a while since we've heard from **Francine Ely Cannon**: "I am happy that I have reconnected with my classmates. This year my husband and I celebrated 40 years of marriage. We have three children, two boys and one girl. The boys are married with lovely wives. We have one grandchild, Elizabeth (3). Jacqueline, our daughter, is a junior at James Madison University."

**Ann Hardy Aschauer** and husband Marty are enjoying retirement, spending half the year in Michigan and the other half in Louisville, Kentucky, about a mile from daughter Joanna and her family. Their other children and five grandchildren aren't far. Son Ben and his family are in Hendersonville, Tennessee, and newlywed daughter Kelly and her husband are in Knoxville, Tennessee. Ann is working on her fifth book, writing her blog ([seekingdivineperspective.com](http://seekingdivineperspective.com)) and doing youth work and music ministry.

We have another author in the class. **Lisa Niedringhaus** published *Harbor Lights*, a really lovely children's book available on Amazon under her nom de plume, Mary Niedringhaus.

**Lucy Ferriss** sends a missive from the City of Light: "As I think the gang knows, I am back in Paris after a brief summer hiatus in the U.S. You can find me on the Left Bank this time across from Notre Dame until late December. Last April, Don and I biked 40 kilometers through the tulip fields of Holland, stopping at the famed Keukenhof Gardens."

The good doctor **Tori King** continues her philanthropic work: "This summer I went to Guatemala on a surgical mission trip. I

removed a tumor from a 2-year-old girl's orbit that was headed for her brain; plus lots of cleft lips and palates there as well."

**Alex Kingzett** reports: "Jim and I celebrated our 25th this summer. We are back full time at the ranch and loving it. I have gotten back into music big time, having upgraded and modernized my recording studio. I even bought a new set of drums, which is a kick. Anybody coming to Lake Tahoe, look me up. By the way, we still ski, as senior citizens."

**Debbie Smith Fitzgerald**: "We have had a very busy summer! In June, we had a fabulously fun visit with **Babs** and **Tim Wagner '70** at Beechwood in Fish Creek! In early August, we visited relatives in Toronto on our way to our annual visit with Art's family in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia where we celebrated both Art's birthday and his dad's 99th! In September, we visited friends in Amsterdam, river cruised to Budapest and spent time in Prague before returning home."

**Laurie Wolff Miller** and daughter **Margot '06** also did some sightseeing this year — in the Arctic Circle! They started their journey in Norway in July. "A highlight was being above the Arctic Circle in search of polar bears and other wildlife while cruising around Svalbard. A lot of daylight up there!"

**Susan Krone Cabral** says: "We had a wonderful summer visiting our daughter, son-in-law and grandkids in Florida. And we had an exciting time in Alaska touring a number of farms and taking a rail tour from Fairbanks through Denali and on to Anchorage and Seward. We are ending the summer helping with Hawaii's Taste of the Hawaiian Range, an Agriculture Fest Day of exhibits, livestock and children's farm activities followed by a Gala Event of delicious appetizers!"

**Cyndi Trauernicht** says: "Life is good and proceeds on an even plane - thankfully!"

**Tish Johnson Hanna** has embarked on a heroic undertaking teaching in an inner city school in St. Louis. Her class has had six teachers in the last year. She has already made her presence felt, vowing to be their only teacher this year and acquiring donations to improve their environment. "I am spending my home time learning 6th grade math and science! That and coaching track keep me busy." Don't forget her nine grandkids!

**Mary Dubuque Desloge** has “lots of great news. Two of my three sons are married and fathers, both with daughters! With Halsey and Charlotte, I finally have some little girls in the family! Third son doing just fine.”

**Audie Woolsey** writes from “our 30-acre ranch, where my husband and I retired in South Carolina, after about 40 years in the DC area. I visited **Susan Hotchkiss Jones** for a week last October. She has an adorable house on Sanibel Island with beautiful gardens and fun sculptures of all kinds of animals and amazing creatures. She looks great and keeps in shape with daily walks on the beach.”

**Ronlyn Arnatt Schwartz** writes: “I now live on Whidbey Island, about halfway between Seattle and Vancouver Island, and have a large organic garden that supplies most of our produce, as well as more than 40 pounds of garlic -- no vampires in sight! Lilies love it here, as do I.”

Ronlyn’s father, **Ronald K. Arnatt**, was MI’s beloved organist and choirmaster during many of our years at school. His joy and passion for music was as contagious as the radiant smile he always wore. He passed away last August. Ronlyn: “I was deeply touched by the compassionate notes of sympathy on the loss of my father. A heartfelt thanks to all of you.” A memorial concert was held for him at Christ Church Cathedral in November.

Our sympathies go also to K.K, who lost her mother, **Marjorie Attebery DuVivier** ’40, on Sept. 5, 2018. She was 95 and of sound mind until the end. She authored the Class Notes for her class for many years.

I am also sorry to report the passing of someone dear to many in our class, **Tim Gillespie** ’70. Tim died in September, leaving behind a trail of tears from his many friends.

As for your intrepid reporter, **Laurie Jacobson Provost**, I just finished two books which are currently being shopped. Jon and I are healthy, regulars at the gym, cruising to Havana in November. Life is good and I’m really happy. Maybe it’s the age we’ve reached...make that earned. What is really important shines so clearly now and decisions come easily. I see that in all of us as we continue to accept challenges, express creativity and embrace our authentic selves. Man alive, we’re 65! And from where I sit, it looks pretty good on us.

01. **Tori King** ’71 prepares to operate on a child with a cleft lip in Guatemala.

02. After a long career in D.C., **Audie Woolsey** ’71 has retired to a ranch in South Carolina.

03. **Laurie Miller** ’71 and daughter **Margot** ’06 at the Arctic Circle.

04. **Lucy Ferriss** ’71 and husband, **Don Moon**, at the famed Keukenhof Gardens in Holland.

05. Four generations: **K.K DuVivier** ’71 with her mother, **Marjorie Attebery DuVivier** ’40, and K.K’s daughter and granddaughter.

06. **Mary Lisa Niedringhaus** ’71 at her first signing for her book *Harbor Lights*.



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## 1972 CDS

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**David Gulick** says: "Holly Hermann Gulick '74 and I are delighted to have a new granddaughter, Carter van Gulick, daughter of son **Drew Gulick** '02 and his wife, Alix. Carter joins her sister, Emma, in giving us two wonderful grandkids to spoil and enjoy. When not helping out with these two, I spend a great deal of time on our farm south of Hermann, Missouri trying to restore native tall grasses and wildflowers and occasionally finding some time to deer hunt."

**Lang Manion** says: "We spent July in Avon, Colorado, but there was no water so they shut down the fishing? My wife Maryann is a ski patrol volunteer at the Birds of Prey event held each year in Beaver Creek."

**Pat Fihn** says: "I've been retired about three years now and couldn't be happier. Moved to a fixer-upper in El Sobrante, California, and ever since have been building fences and decks, custom cabinet work, taking out trees and basically making Mr. Raymond proud! I'm giving my brain a break (sort of) and working with my hands while I can. The kids are thriving, dogs are playing and life is good. If you haven't retired yet, I highly recommend it."

**Pete Smith** says: "My son, Nick, and his wife, Becky, who live in Chicago, had their first child on September 10, 2018. Grace Marjorie Smith was 9 lbs., 9 oz. and 21 inches. I'm now a twice-blessed, grateful grandfather. In other news, to celebrate my 65th birthday in April, my wife Nancy surprised me with a six-day walking tour of Normandy and Brittany in France. We walked about 60 miles, which helped offset all the fromage, baguettes, et vin rouge we consumed along the way."

**Ken Cohen** says: "I am enjoying my two grandchildren, Hazel and Ozzie, who live here in town with my son, **Tom Cohen** '01, and his wife, Meghan. Tom continues to run his start-up biotech company, Nanopore Dx. My son, Michael, and his husband, Matthew, live in Washington D.C. where Michael is sales manager for a database software company that

sells to political officials nationwide. My wife, Sue, will be president of the Members Board at the Missouri Botanical Garden next year, after returning from her trip to Madagascar this fall."

**Jim Degener** says: "I am the project architect for the renovation of a 1938 Spanish style/Art Deco theater at the Presidio, the repurposed Army base next to the Golden Gate bridge. The original building was a 900-seat movie theater. When finished, it will be a performance theater with a full depth stage, the latest in rigging, lighting and sound systems, seating 620. One amazing highlight was moving the plaster proscenium."

**Steve Hundley** says: "Sharon and I love being back in the Plano suburb of Dallas. Our son, Matt, relocated to St. Louis in the fall of 2017 and got married in St. Louis on June 2. Our youngest, Brian, graduated from SMU in May. He spent the summer traveling in England and Spain and is now taking some accounting courses to supplement his degree in Economics. Sharon and I have enjoyed traveling: This past summer we made a return trip to Alaska, one of our favorite places."

**Dave Clark** says: "Our youngest daughter, Tricia, and her husband, Jim, just had their first child, Nora June Martin. And our oldest daughter, Julie, and her husband, Ryan, just had their third child, Evelyn Patricia. Grandchildren play such a huge part in our lives. So, life couldn't be much better."

**Bob Lloyd** says: "After 41 years with Bodine and Toyota, I hung it up three weeks ago. Travel, golf, grandkids, a charity board and chasing Cynthia around the house are my current endeavors. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our 50th reunion."

Sympathies to the family of **David Duvivier** on his mother's passing away.

## 1973 CDS

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The best way to start one of these reports seems to be to mention a group activity. Fortunately, there was a major one recently—our 45th anniversary of graduation. Most of the usual local suspects appeared, but special appearances by **Dr. H.C. Eschenroeder**, Messrs, **Jeff McFarland**, **Joe White** and **Byron Jones** from assorted locations (mostly on the wrong side of the Appalachians); **Michael Shepherd** from some city by a bay; and by his usual feat of electronic teleportation, **D. Rexford** from mysterious points east, were all recorded.

**John Moulton** and **Blair Cook Sage** were our gracious sponsors on the Friday evening of the weekend, as we were joined by MI Class of 1973. The evening's events were followed by tours of the campus the next day and an expedition to Maplewood Saturday evening in an attempt to revive Senior Bowling glories at Saratoga Lanes, reputedly one of the oldest continuously operating alleys/bars west of the Mississippi. Scoring was kept in the spirit of Liars' Poker, though some folks couldn't resist competition. Drew seems to be the only one in proper attire. On the other hand, Loeb at least looked like he knew in which direction to throw the ball.

More importantly, there was great participation in contributing to the Webb Scholarship Fund, bringing in about \$20,000. A great show for a good cause.

Most of what follows has been verified as far as possible but no warranties, guarantees or promises of personal liability for errors are made:

**Lammert** claims sightings have been made of **Greg Durgin** in Germany. **Martin** also, while denying doing anything of interest himself, serves on the Board of Direction of the Mercantile Library and says his son, **Martin VI** '09, is now well-established as a sculptor.

**Benjamin F. Edwards & Co.** keeps opening offices at an alarming rate. **Tad's** operation is up to 68 branches in 27 states—all in 10 years of operation.

**C. Allen** took off a little from operations at Bunge to visit Paris and Venice, and Brother **Rexford** apparently made a physical appearance in the Lou before disappearing once again.

Your scribe is recently returned from a rail trip to South Africa and is now an eyewitness

to any amount of topographical information anyone should desire about the Zulu War of 1879. I can blivate with great authority on the circumstances of the wrecking of an armored train carrying one W.S. Churchill, sparking the events making him the Hero of the Empire. I expect at least **Ferguson** and **Chaz** to understand that last sentence without referring to a dictionary.



*CDS and MI Classes of 1973 came together for an evening of bowling during Reunion Weekend.*

## 1974 MI

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**Peggy Daniel Dechan** says: “I still live in NJ with my husband, Gregg. He is retired, plays a lot of golf and builds houses for Habitat for Humanity. I am a Business Development Officer in Bank of America’s Global Commercial Banking Group, working part time. My son, Ian, is a second-year resident at Barnes Jewish Hospital and his fiancé is a first-year resident at Children’s. My son, Riley, lives in Venice Beach, California, with dreams of becoming a famous actor and thanking his mother at the Academy Awards. (Oh what will I wear? Haha!)”

**Cyndy Knapp Keesee** writes: “I am still spending loads of time at my farm. My sister, **Steffie Knapp Littlefield** ’72, and I have morphed the family cattle ranch into vineyards, a winery and brewery. I am the winemaker, and with husband Girard, we are turning out award-winning estate bottled wines, using French-American hybrid grapes from our vineyard. Together we have four grown children and three grandkids. One daughter, Rachael, has joined the family business as Brewmaster. (Scribe note: you may remember Cyndy’s great wines from our 40th!)”

**Mimi Johnston Vangel** says: “The Vangels are still living in Ohio. I’m enjoying antiquing and working on our family genealogy. Our son, Adam, is living in Miami, Florida, and working for Boston Scientific. Our daughter, Emmie, is working for Companion Protect, selling pet health insurance and software to animal shelters and veterinarian offices throughout the Midwest. Dave was recently promoted to Director of Smuckers Foodservice Field Sales for North America. I’m looking forward to seeing everyone at the reunion.”

**Becky Howe Hailand** says: “We thought we were done with tuition, but now have two in graduate school. Our daughter, **Elizabeth** ’07, is getting her MBA at Washington University. She is in her final year and has accepted a position with Edward Jones. Our son, **Arthur** ’10, is in his first year at DePaul in Chicago getting his MBA, and our son, **Henry** ’12, is living in Chicago as well and working for Entertainment Cruises.”

**Susan Tober Goldenberg** reports: “Barry and I celebrated our 37th anniversary in August, and we are still living and working in good ‘ole St. Louis. My business with **Linda Bearman** ’76, Ingenium Partners, Inc., is still thriving after 18 years. Our daughter, Katie, is married with two beautiful little boys. Our son, Michael, is living in New York and working as a brand manager for a privately held wine company. I have remained very close with Becky Hailand and stay in fairly regular communication with **Laura Meyer**. Life is busy for everyone, and I miss seeing **Susie McKinney Maune**, **Vicki Saigh Valli** and **Christy Lane Salmon** as much as I would like, but when we get together it is like no time has passed.”

**Laura Brooks Meyer** says: “Meyer & Meyer is still going strong. One of our exciting projects had us touring castles in England, Scotland and Ireland. Our daughter, Diana, was married in December and has graduated from Boston College Law School. Son John will return to Boston from New York to do his fellowship at Beth Israel Hospital while his wife starts her dermatology career. Son Henry began his business, Lilipad Energy, and is consulting in California and Boston. Still enjoying weekends in Quechee, Vermont and Sarasota.”

**Lyn Hopkins** writes: “I spend most of my time between homes in New London, New Hampshire and Longmeadow, Massachusetts. Our oldest, Charlie, tied the knot in September,

2017. Daughter Annie headed down the aisle in January, 2018. Our son, Sam, is the most handsome, eligible bachelor in New England. I had a chance to visit **Nina Primm McIntyre** and **Margot Sprague** in New Hampshire, seeing Nina’s new farm. I see Peggy, Holly, Cathy, Alice and Christy most often when I fly back to STL to visit family.”

**Margot Lyman Sprague** says: “Christopher and I continue to bounce back and forth between our cabin-like spot in the Monadnock region and Concord, Massachusetts. Chris teaches at Boston University in the business school. I enjoy especially busy summers planning and engaging over events and causes in Dublin. Winters and otherwise, I stay busy, managing a couple of Boston area properties and woods walking. Thriving children include Emmy, with her own strategic communications group in Washington, and Jay, just back from three months of backpacking through Europe.”

**Holly Hermann Gulick** reports: “I am the proud grandmother of two girls, Emma, born in 2016, and Carter, born in 2018. They are the daughters of our son **Drew** ’02. **David** ’72 and I put up a new fence around our backyard together this past summer, of which I am very proud. (I am really good at holding the leveler but not much else!) Hope to see you all at our 45th Reunion in May!”

**Gayle Bodine Garrett** writes: “My husband and I are retired and live in St. Louis. Our two children and four grandchildren live here also.”

**Nina Primm McIntyre** says: “We love our farm in New Hampshire (called “Clothespin Farm” because the Farm has an old mill foundation dating from from the 1700s that made clothespins in the 1800s)! This summer we grew cut flowers, raised seven sheep and four pigs, and rebuilt one of the barns. We still keep a few toes in the water in the Boston area as well. Our daughter, Ellie, was married at the Farm in September, 2017.”

**Melissa Lord** says: “My daughter, **Courtney** ’01, and her husband live in Ann Arbor, Michigan -- too far away but there is a direct flight from St. Louis to Detroit! My son, **Tyler** ’05, is still happily living in Denver enjoying the mountains and his adorable silver lab. My mother is still going strong! Has had three gentleman friends since my father passed, and she has outlived them all! She is still full of life and has her winning smile!”

**Susan Kennedy Ostendorf** writes: “Roy and I just moved to Granby, Texas, for the winter. Small town with lots of charm. Still will go to Minnesota for summers.”

**Reggie Sprung Townsend** says: “I have recently relocated to Denver after 32 years in Michigan. Since both children moved West, my husband, David, and I decided to follow. Sold the house, downsized all the stuff, packed up (including two English Setters) and moved. Our daughter, Meg, married Paul Braestrup in a beautiful pear orchard in Parkdale, Oregon, in the shadow of Mount Hood. They will be living in Portland where she is an environmental attorney for the Center for Biological Diversity. Our son, Eli, lives in Denver and is a water engineer.”

**Muffy Roulhac Sewall** reports: “My new hip is great. As a result, I got back on the golf course and I could spend time digging in the garden! As fall arrives, I continue to pursue my interests in health care technology. I am on the board for the Pediatric Device Innovation Consortium—a nonprofit organization focused on enabling the development of medical devices designed specifically for children. Over the last two years, I have been mentoring medical device technology entrepreneurs and their startups.”

**Becky Cannon Carey** says: “The last child, Erin Grace, is in college at St. Lawrence University. Oldest, Kevin, is working at West Point Military Academy and finishing his graduate degree in robotics and mechanical engineering at Columbia University. Middle one, Patrick, is getting personal training certificate. So you would think I should be getting in shape, live like the Jetsons and have a great attitude about it all!”

**Michele Boisaubin Bennett** writes: “All is well in Sunny Florida! I am happily married to my wonderful husband Mack Bennett of almost 13 years. My daughter, Coralyn, lives in Los Angeles with her husband, Jeremy, who is quite a successful sound engineer in the movie business. I have two beautiful granddaughters, Lauren Ella (13) and Emily Jean (11). Mack and I have a fat, sassy cat named Sammy. I play A LOT of tennis, lucky me!”

**Sally Garhart Eneguess** reports: “This year I am celebrating my 35th wedding anniversary and my 35th year as a practicing physician. We still live in Peterborough, New Hampshire, where

we farm. Since our oldest daughter, her husband and our eight-month-old grandson live in Lexington, Kentucky, and our younger daughter lives in Concord, Virginia, with her husband and one-year-old son, we travel frequently to visit them. I am medical director of a nonprofit working with New Hampshire healthcare professionals with mental health, substance use or disruptive behavior conditions.”

**Jennifer Hayes Best** says: “Recently, my time has been spent on family vacations; at **Laura Cook Boldt**’s place in Beaver Creek; a day in Steamboat with **Mary Ewing**; a nephew’s wedding in New Mexico and the balloon festival; shuttling Anna (14) to and from places; enjoying John’s cooking, gardening, volunteering; and being retired from work!”

**Joan Hagedorn Ball** writes: “**Roger** ’72 and I are still in St. Louis, mostly retired, with our two cats, Tris and Izzy. Enjoyed a lazy summer with a few short trips to Michigan and Maryland. I am volunteering at the Sign of the Arrow needlepoint shop. **Jessica** ’05 is a lawyer working for Spark Microgrants in New York City and living in Brooklyn with her cat, Louie. **Chris** ’07 is working in St. Louis, living in Dogtown with his cat, Merlin. Met with Holly and the girls to start reunion planning.”

**Cindy Kohlbry** reports: “Life is good here in St. Louis. As many of you know, I bought the house I grew up in from my dad two plus years ago. Since I hope most of you have been to that house at one time or another, you may remember that it is the house I walked to school from almost every day with **Lisa Dozier** who lived down the street. I look forward to seeing you all at the reunion and at my house for dinner on Saturday night.”

**Harriet Travilla Reynolds** says: “I’m still a practicing transactional lawyer involved in community development/project finance work. Our daughter, Mary, and her husband recently moved back to Norfolk from New York City with Caroline (almost 3) and Henry (1). Our son, Allan, is in business school at Tuck in Hanover, New Hampshire. Our youngest, Jane, lives in New York City where she is marketing director of OKCupid, a subsidiary of Match.com. Allan (the older) has retired but keeps busy with local civic and charitable groups, taking care of his mother and mowing the lawn!”

**Robin Wurdack Lynch** reports: “In November, we finally returned to Mexico on an actual vacation. It was a wonderful time split between Mexico City and the Oaxacan coast in the town of Zipolite. Michael is enjoying his retirement, while I continue to run the family paint factory with my brother. Colin, our glass-blowing son, has launched a jewelry line called Keane NY, working out of his studio at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. George completed a solo tour of South America from Lima to Patagonia and up to Buenos Aires.”

**Susie McKinney Maune** says: “My son, Blake, is working at Express Scripts in St. Louis after graduating from University of Miami last spring. My daughter, Meg, is studying Fashion Business at Columbia College in Chicago. I continue to volunteer at Humane Society of Missouri, ride my horse and take care of two old dogs, a parakeet and a new puppy! What was I thinking? Looking forward to seeing everyone in the spring!”

**Alice Wuerthenbaecher Sedgwick** writes: “Life is great! All three kids are married and live in St. Louis. We are the lucky grandparents of five adorable grandchildren. We moved in August to Conway Lane. The move was a very therapeutic purge! I’m looking forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming reunion.”

**Lauren Strutman** says: “I live on my farm in Chesterfield with my husband, three horses and three cats. Still practicing residential architecture at my firm, Lauren Strutman Architects, in Chesterfield. We are competing and collaborating with my husband’s firm, Dick Busch Architects. The last year has been a bit of a struggle with my stepfather, William Schiller, and my mother, Lola Schiller, dying about four months apart. They married when they were 80, and died just short of having 15 wonderful years with each other, a bittersweet story.”

**Christy Stephens Salmon** says: “It’s been 12 years since we moved back from Chicago to St. Louis. We love being near family and old friends but miss the cooler temps and the Bears! Our oldest son, Jim, and partner Lauren Zweep live in Cambridge, Ontario, where he is chief of the psychology department at a women’s prison in Kitchener, Ontario. Sons Michael and Patrick are both living in Missouri, so we get to see them frequently! I am enjoying my work with Just Breathe Pilates, celebrating its 10th year of business in 2019.”

**Casey Mallinckrodt** says: "My wonderful daughter, Leeds, lives in Denver and works with a large architecture and design company. All great but too far from Virginia, where I'm an object conservator at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. My primary focus for another year is the technical analysis of Historic Arts of Africa as part of a project that has taken me to the UK, Belgium and the Netherlands for research. Happily, I see **Nina** and **Margot** in NH as often as I can and I am looking forward to seeing all at the Reunion."

## 1975 CDS

**Blake Noyes** was installed as The George and Patricia Erker Endowed Chair in Pediatric Pulmonary Medicine at St. Louis University's School of Medicine. In attendance were his brother, **Christopher Noyes**, as well as **Dan Lane**, **Chris Mower** and **Buddy Bearman**.

**Peter Tao**, executive producer of "Day One," a documentary about a St. Louis Public School for newcomer refugee and immigrant students, announced that the film screened Nov. 3 at the St. Louis International Film Festival. The film has been shortlisted for two film category competitions. The film also screened in October at the Milwaukee Film Festival.

## 1975 MI

### LISA DENNIG COULTER

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### KAT SCHNEIDER-CLARK

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**Celeste Dubuque Sprung** writes: "I am thoroughly enjoying my retirement from the business world. My passion is working now as a community volunteer. This past spring, I became a member of the St. Louis Herb Society. As you can imagine, my Warson Woods garden is overloaded with herbs! I am also enjoying the Rowena Clarke Garden Club with **Frances Van Dyke Burkham**. Occasionally, I run into some of our MI classmates at the Woman's Exchange when I am hosting there."

**Peggy Collins Rassieur** is thrilled to report that "our daughter, Karen Rassieur Grudzien, gave birth to our granddaughter, Margaret Rose Grudzien on July 10. Daughter Karen and husband Mark live in Lincoln Park in the Chicago area. Our other daughter, Emily Rassieur, has moved back to St. Louis and is working for the family business. Husband Terry continues to ride his bike, and we will be on another bike trip adventure come February. I am volunteering with Lutheran Senior Services, playing golf, tennis and bridge."

**Debbie Trent Sebben** shares: "My daughter, Helen, got married to her college sweetheart, Tom, over Labor day weekend. Helen is a risk advisory consultant with Deloitte and Tom is an aerospace engineer with Lockheed Martin. We love living close to them (and our granddog Luka). Jim retired this year and is enjoying fishing! I am still working for American Dental Partners and travel extensively for work. When not travelling, Jim and I spend a lot of time in our new home in Minturn, Colorado, that is right on the Eagle River in the mountains."

**Kim Lilly Wyllie** lets us know that "eighth grandbaby, Joelle Grace Wyllie, was born May 2018. Keeping this Grammy very busy! My daughter, Emma, and her husband, Leo, moved back to Kansas City, so three out of four of our kids are close! Still a nurse at Children's Mercy Urgent Care."

**Lisa Dennig Coulter** is happy to report that "all four of my kids, **Elizabeth '03**, **Chris '05**, **Caroline '08** and **John '13**, are doing really well! I was so lucky to have them all (including my darling daughter in law, **Elizabeth Moore Coulter '08**) with me in Michigan for a bit this summer. Also, I got to see **Joy Spitz Lee** recently while she was in town for a conference. She's busy running Rover Oaks Pet Resorts in Houston and still has her own menagerie of pets. Her husband, Tom, and son, **Geoff Copper '03**, are doing well, too."

**Kat Schneider Clark** was thrilled that **Allison Brightman Patella** and **Leslie Waltke** came to see her play at Sam's Steakhouse recently and loves that **Lisa Ritter Hayman** and **Mary Essen Detrich** come see her there so often. Kat and Lisa both love getting to see Kim when she comes to town! We would love to see all our classmates and are hoping to get our class together over the holidays. Please let us know if you are coming to town!

## 1978 MI

### BARBARA MEROLLIS BISHOP

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**Julie Hardesty Ferman** and husband Gil are over-the-moon happy living in Santa Fe, which feels like perpetual Adult Camp. Hiking, tennis, nature, remarkable people and every day is an adventure. Julie has expanded her personal matchmaking/dating coaching business to include both Los Angeles and Santa Fe. Sons Alex and Kevin are in Los Angeles, pursuing careers in the fields of golf and skateboarding videography.

**Cyndy Crawford Pipoly** is living in Toledo, Ohio. She has been married to Dan 33 years. "Traveling a lot to see the kids. Matthew is in St. Louis welding and watching over my Mom, now 83. Julianne got married, bought a house and is the head of development at Dropbox in San Francisco. George is a coder at Remind in San Francisco. Josef started a clean energy company in Columbus. Genevieve has been in Florence, Italy studying art."

**Barbara Merollis Bishop** recently vacationed with **Susan Sprung Birtch**, **Betsy Sims Duff**, **Julie Hardesty Ferman**, **Tracy O'Donnell Stone** and **Laura Wunderlich Wozniak** and our husbands at Tracy's Bed and Breakfast, Inn at Mitchell House in Chestertown, Maryland. A good time was had by all, and we thank Tracy, Betsy and their spouses for a wonderful time!

**Lucy Lionberger Rise** says: "Carter and I are now officially "empty nesters" as our youngest, Christopher, is now a freshman at SMU. Walker is a senior at Wake Forest. Carter Jr. is living in D.C. and enjoying working for IBM. Elise is loving life in the "Big Apple" where she works for Christie's. Carter has been especially busy with his business, Sandpiper, LLC., and I have been busy getting ready for another mountain climb. I have gone on several training trips—to Seneca Rocks in West Virginia and Smith Rocks in Oregon.



*The wedding of Cyndy Crawford Pipoly's daughter, Julianne, in Santa Barbara with all of Cyndy's children.*



*Lucy Lionberger Rise '78*

## 1979 CDS

### PETE GULLBORG

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**Peter Shinkle** published a book this past December about the life of Robert Cutler, advisor to President Dwight Eisenhower. The book, which is titled *Ike's Mystery Man*, is available on Amazon.

## 1980 MI

### KIMBERLY RABENBERG BARNES

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**Kate Rule Steffes** writes: "Not really much to say with no human kids. We lost my Jack Russell, Joker, over a year ago now. We went a few

months without any pets but adopted two silly and sweet cats in July 2017 that have made our house a home again. I had a rough year (August to August) that led to me having to sell my beloved Haflinger, Eddy, but I now have a sweet, kind, and gentle Quarab named Aria. We still live in Broomfield, Colorado but hope to be able to move north, returning to Ft. Collins in the not too distant future."

**Kimberly Rabenberg Barnes** writes: "Great year! **Chase '10** graduated from Rhode Island School of Design with honors in his masters in photography. He had a show with other graduates in New York where **Talby MacCarthy Payne** and **Marie Dennig Crouch** joined! I am in St. Louis but have started an organic mosquito repellent company in Mexico and USA. Also, I just finished a TV pilot based on the veterinarian hospital in Columbia, Missouri, called Clydesdale Hall! Question, and you can't look at photos: What were the colors of our ribbons on May Day?"

**Elizabeth Danforth** has been studying Gemology for two years. She passed her colored stones exam and is now at the tail end of her studies: Diamonds and Diamond grading.

**Enid Gardner Dodson** is living in the Kansas City area with her husband, David, and beautiful daughter, Emma. She started a new job in November 2017 with Open Up Resources, an educational publishing company.

**Carey Manassa Ricard** is now residing in Tucson, Arizona, enjoying golf, hiking, jeeping, traveling and getting close to retirement. Her upcoming vacations include New Orleans, Barcelona, Panama Canal Cruise, Fiji and Greek isles out of of Venice.

**Gigi Newhard Mortimer** has started a new company called EYEJUST that is a screen protector for the blue light emitted by all of the screens that penetrates our vision and our children's vision where we spend 7.3 hours a day on screens. This amazing product will prevent retinal damage, cellular damage and sleep deprivation!

**Joey Hibbard Williams** says: "All is well in North Carolina! Collins and I were thrilled to become grandparents in January 2018 when our oldest daughter, Anne, gave birth to Collins Emerson Foglia, better known as Cole. We enjoyed a return trip to Italy, as well as

vacations in Florida, Michigan, Wyoming, Virginia, St. Louis and Pennsylvania. I am still working at UNC-Chapel Hill and am excited that my nephew from St. Louis, Jake Hibbard, is now a freshman on campus!"



*Chase Barnes '10, son of Kimberly Rabenberg Barnes '80, at his photography show in New York City, where Talby MacCarthy Payne '80 and Marie Dennig Crouch '80 also joined.*



*Wendy Goessling Wolfsberger '80, Barbi Cady Macon '80, Jenny Veron Ewing '80, Bill Macon '77, Melissa Chamberlain Bozesky '80 and Jenny Steinman '80 In Charlevoix together, August 2018.*



*Jenny Veron Ewing '80, Wendy Goessling Wolfsberger '80, Barbi Cady Macon '80, Bill Macon '77, Melissa Chamberlain Bozesky '80 and Jenny Steinman '80.*

## 1981 MI

**JEANNIE ROBB HUBERT**

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**Leslie Belz** says: "I love living in Maine. This summer, I had visitors from our class — **Jana Inman**, **Connie Williams** and **Jeannie Hubert** with her family."

**Julia Leonhardt Frost** reports: "I am living in Los Angeles with my husband, **Jim Frost '80**."

**Karen Breckenridge Gernstein** says: "Bill and I are now empty nesters. James started his freshman year at Pitzer in Claremont, California, and Kathryn is at Carleton College."

**Jeannie Robb Hubert** writes: "I had a great time with my family this past summer visiting the Northeast and Quebec. We were fortunate to be able to spend time with **Annie Frelich** and her family in Vermont, as well as **Leslie Belz** in Maine, during our travels. My boys are now in 8th and 10th grades and keep me busy driving to and from all of their activities."

**Sarah Lane Hurth** says: "My daughter, Finley, married Mitch Turnbow and they have a little girl named Kennedy Lane Turnbow! They live in Indianapolis and love it! My son, Charlie, is in his third year of Medical School in Kansas City. My youngest, Davis, is a senior at Mizzou."

**Janet Bates Rallo** writes: "I have started a business called "By The Dozen (314-503-0876)," serving cold and hot appetizers. I am a true empty nester. My girls (26 and 29) are nursery school teachers at Village Lutheran church in Ladue. My son (22) graduated from Mizzou, and is pursuing a career in physical therapy."

**Jane McCandless Royther** says: "All is status quo for Randy and me. Evy is in her second year of vet school, and Tommy graduated and is living and working in the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. Proud of both my kids. Had a great time with **Shelley**, **Jana** and **Carla** in Nashville, celebrating our 55th."

**Marcella McDonnell Stevens** says: "I am halfway to being an empty nester as two of my kids have graduated from college. **Mimi '09** lives and works in Louisville, and **Katie '12**

lives and works in Columbus, Ohio. Ellie is a junior at St. Joseph Academy, and **Mac '23** is in 8th grade at MICDS. Greg is in his 26th year of teaching at MICDS, and I give most of my time to The Service Bureau and fundraising & diaper drives with my daughter, Ellie, for the Crisis Nursery."

**Nancy Kwon** says: "I am a freelance events producer working on corporate and stadium events. I live in Charlotte, North Carolina, when I'm not traveling around the world to work and eat."



*Girls take Nashville, celebrating our 55th! Jane McCandless Royther '81, Carla Newton '81, Jana Inman '81 and Shelby Childress Selle '81.*



*Leslie Belz, Connie Williams and Jana Inman.*



*Classmates from MI '81 get together.*

## 1981 CDS

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**John O'Hara** celebrated 25 years of marriage in September to Linda Ward O'Hara. Linda and John are parents of **Katie '18**, **Tom '10** and **David '14**.



*John and Linda O'Hara.*

## 1982 MI

**Kay Berra Houghtaling** says: "Our summer was filled with preparing for the August 18, 2018 wedding of oldest daughter, **Jessica '09**, to Stephen Michael Devine of Boulder, Colorado. Younger daughter **Kaytlin '13** was co-Maid of Honor along with bridesmaids **Becky Schloemann '09** and **Alyssa Przygoda '09**. At the reception, we also got to visit with **Daphne Washington '09** and former MICDS teacher Mr. Skinner and his wife. Creig and I are enjoying retirement, but sometimes, being empty-nesters, the house is awfully quiet! This year I am four years breast cancer free!"

## 1984 CDS

### PAUL GOESSLING

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**Nicholas Clifford** writes: “I traveled to Rome, Italy, recently for a 25th anniversary trip with my family and, through the magic of Facebook, I was able to catch up with **Alessio “Alex” Doglione**. Alex is married with two kids and living in Rome as a video editor for TV and film. We met for lunch and caught up for the first time since we graduated in 1984! Great to see you, Alex!”

## 1985 MI

### AMY MCFARLAND DOVE

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**Stacy Bourne** ’85 was approved to serve on the Casino Control Commission of the U.S. Virgin Islands. Her term runs until April 3, 2022.

## 1985 CDS

### RICK MAECHLING

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Our class mourns the loss of **Charlie Gillis** ’16, son of **Jenn** and **Jack Gillis** ’85. We also mourn the loss of our classmate **Dudley Batchelor** ’85, who lost a valiant battle to pneumonia in New Orleans on July 4, 2018.

## 1987 MI

### DREES A. CLINE

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**Wendy Brafman** says: “In Summer, 2017, my husband, our dogs and I moved from Uganda to Amman, Jordan, where I’m the Chief of Staff at the U.S. Embassy. Before we moved, we visited Alaska, including the Anchorage

home of fantastic host **Kerry Meadows Carl** and her family. Aside from exploring Jordan, we’ve travelled to Vienna, The Maldives, Egypt, Japan and Sri Lanka (where I saw **Samantha Gunawardhana Storey**’s mom). In April, **Leslie Pearlman Jamka** and I travelled in Nepal together.”

## 1989 MI

### MARTHA KAUFMAN SNEIDER

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**Libby (Curtis) McCandless** says: “I still live in Kirkwood with my husband, Todd, and our two daughters, now in 11th and 8th grade. I work part-time as a brand strategist and marketing consultant, and in my free time, I continue to serve as a board member at the St. Louis Children’s Choirs and as an area coordinator/group leader for Moms in Prayer International. I’ve also had the chance to volunteer alongside **Jill (Shuert) Buchanan** at KLIFE, and I still work a few shifts here and there at Athleta/Plaza Frontenac. Hugs to the class of ’89!”

## 1990 MI

### CRYSTAL ROBERTS JEZERSKI

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### KITTY MCDONNELL

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**Crystal Roberts Jezierski** recently left the private practice of law and accepted a position as Vice President for Global Ethics and Compliance Administration at Walmart. She and her husband, J.T., still live outside D.C. in Alexandria, Virginia.

**Kathy Kang Mahdavi** and **Sarah Johnson Rye** are still in the Bay Area: Kathy and her family are in San Francisco, and Sarah and her family are in Menlo Park.

**Sheridan Richardson Doherty** lives just outside Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with her family, and they have a new addition as of last December—their puppy Quinn! Sheridan had a great summer visiting friends through work and travels: **Janie Jansen Garrett** at their

daughters’ lacrosse tournaments; **Susie Leydig Brickley** while she was visiting Philly on college visits with her daughters; **Courtney Armstrong VanDeVelde** and **John Goltermann** ’90 in Chicago; and **Burton Roberts** ’90 in Austin, Texas. And Sheridan was back in St. Louis in October as a member of the MICDS Board of Visitors.

**Eliza “Cissy” Fryer Kwentus** is in St. Louis and has been working as associate general counsel for Edward Jones for the last four years. She and her husband, Ron, spend their time herding Ron’s three kids, Charlie, Henry and Mary and keeping their dog, Puggle, sufficiently spoiled.

**Kitty McDonnell Pipoli** and her husband, Antonio, made the move back from San Francisco back to St. Louis! Kitty still works remotely for Backroads, Inc., and their little boy **Jimmy** ’31 is now in kindergarten at MICDS. Back to where it all began.

## 2002 MICDS

**Christina Bryant** founded and runs St. Frank, a company which sells home decor made by artisans across the world. The company’s two key principles are “supporting economic empowerment for artisans” and “preserving traditional artisan craft.”

## 2003 MICDS

**Peter Jordan** graduated from the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy and has been commissioned by the City of Olivette.

## 2008 MICDS

**Cami Thomas** was recently featured in Teen Vogue for her docuseries, Smoke City, which was created to show how Cami views segregation in Missouri and the effects that living in separate worlds has on residents, specifically black people. In addition, her work was featured in a recent SLAM Underground, a monthly event hosted by the St. Louis Art Museum.

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## 2009 MICDS



*Alyssa Przygoda '09, Jessica Houghtaling '09, Rebecca Schloemann '09 and Daphne Washington '09 at Jessica's wedding reception.*

## 2011 MICDS

**Jordan Mann** represented the United States in the North American, Central American and Caribbean Track and Field Championships. Jordan took the bronze in the 3000m Steeplechase at the regional track and field competition held at Varsity Stadium in Toronto, Canada, August 10-12, 2018. Jordan earned All-State honors while competing at MICDS and was All-Ivy League while at Brown University. This was his first National Team appointment as a professional athlete.

## 2013 MICDS

**Kaytlin Houghtaling** graduated from Webster University with a B.S. in music in May 2017. She is working at Powell Symphony Hall with **Alyssa Przygoda '09** in the box office and also will be performing in St. Louis Winter Opera's productions of "*Die Fledermaus*" in November 2018 and "*Norma*" in March 2019. She lives in Webster Groves and enjoys weekly trivia nights at Syberg's Dorsett with **Emily Shy** as well as getting together with other MICDS friends when they are in town.

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*Wendi Alper-Pressman '78*



*Jane Arnold '86*

## Most Influential Business Women of 2018

Congratulations to **Julie Jansen Lilly '86**, CEO at The St. Louis Trust Co.; **Wendi Alper-Pressman '78**, partner at Lathrop Gage; and **Jane Arnold '86**, office managing partner at Polsinelli, for being named *St. Louis Business Journal's* Most Influential Business Women of 2018.



## Congratulations!

**Stephanie Travis Meadows '98**, senior vice president of relationship management at Wells Fargo Advisors, was named to *St. Louis Business Journal's* Class of 2018 Diverse Business Leaders list.

## Entrepreneur of the Year

**Benjamin (Tad) Edwards '73** was recently named a Heartland Regional Award Winner in Ernst & Young's Entrepreneur of the Year 2018 program. Edwards founded Benjamin F. Edwards & Co. with the mission of building a state-of-the-art financial services firm.



## *San Francisco Alumni Event*

From San Francisco to Palo Alto, we loved seeing our Bay Area alumni!

MI, CDS and MICDS alumni gathered in both Palo Alto and again at Absinthe in Hayes Valley, San Francisco, to reconnect, celebrate and wish their best to Lisa Lyle as she visited the Bay Area for her last time as Head of School.

*(photos 1-4)*

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## *Chicago Alumni Event*

Thirty alumni, from the classes of 1959 to 2010, gathered for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at The Kitchen in the River North area of Chicago for an alumni gathering. We had a blast celebrating our Bold Action Campaign and our Head of School, Lisa Lyle, with Chicago-area alumni!

*(photos 5-8)*

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