

Cretin-Derham Hall TRADITIONS

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Jeb Myers to Lead CDH

Ushering in new era built on tradition and vision

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2022-23 CDH Impact Report



At the JROTC Diamond Promotions this past Fall, Emma Butler '24 (*middle*) was appointed the 109th Raider Brigade Commander. Katie O'Donnell '24 (*right*) was named Brigade Deputy Commander, with Josie Thomas '24 (*left*) named Brigade Executive Officer. For the first time in the CDH Raider Brigade history, the top three Brigade leadership positions are held by young women.

This year, nearly 300 students are part of the voluntary JROTC program, which has maintained its status as an Army Honor of Unit of Distinction for 95 years.

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Dear Cretin-Derham Hall Community,

What an honor it has been to witness the commitment and strength of the Cretin-Derham Hall community from a front row seat serving as Interim President over these last few months. I have had the honor of being immersed in the very full days of high school students as they navigate and explore all that CDH has to offer. I am inspired by the commitment of faculty and staff to the success of our CDH students. I have witnessed the school community live out their Catholic values through worship and service. I have felt the excitement of the JROTC Diamond Promotions, applauded the efforts of the choir and band and cheered on our student athletes. All have made for a very rewarding experience.

The strength of our CDH community lies in our respect for the traditions that make this school so special while preparing students for a changing, complex world. I have had the opportunity to listen to alums who speak with such pride and fondness for this school and the lifelong friendships that they formed here. I met parents who are new to this community who are anxious for their student to experience this special place and take advantage of the many opportunities Cretin-Derham Hall has to offer. I also saw how so many in this community really invested in our future by taking the time to provide critical input during the search for our next president.

And now we find ourselves in an important time of transition for Cretin-Derham Hall as we begin a new chapter with the announcement of Jeb Myers as the next president of CDH beginning June 1, 2024. This edition of *Traditions* will introduce our community to Jeb and explore his background and what drew him to CDH. He is excited to get started! I am confident that Jeb will be welcomed by the CDH community, work hard to embrace the charisms of our sponsoring orders, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and Brothers of the Christian Schools, and continue the mission-driven tradition of providing students of diverse backgrounds and socioeconomic means with an excellent Catholic education.

As we jump into 2024, let us embrace the opportunity for a future that will honor both the treasured traditions of our past and look with faith and hope to a tomorrow full of promise. While it is sometimes hard to define, this is what fuels the Cretin-Derham Hall spirit. You can feel it here on campus (or, frankly, wherever Raiders can be found), and it will continue to be a reflection of what it means to be a part of Cretin-Derham Hall. I am excited to welcome Jeb to this wonderful community!

Live Jesus in our hearts,

Teri McCloughan
Interim President



JEB MYERS TO LEAD CDH

Cretin-Derham Hall will have a new leader on June 1, 2024, signaling a new era for our 153-year-old school. The Christian Brothers and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet are pleased to name Jeb Myers as the next President of Cretin-Derham Hall.

Jeb Myers comes to Cretin-Derham Hall with significant leadership experience in Catholic high school education, most recently with the Cristo Rey Network schools both locally and nationally, as well as a founding member of a Christian Brothers' Lasallian school in the Blackfeet Nation, Montana and in Camden, New Jersey earlier in his career. With his ten years as a President, and previous roles as a principal and a teacher, Myers brings an impressive background and commitment to excellence in Catholic education, not only in academics, advancement, and school operations, but also in strategic planning, enrollment growth, and community relations.

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“Jeb’s mission-driven and collaborative approach, his proven leadership skills in both the President and Principal roles, and his deep respect for our mission and values will serve our Cretin-Derham Hall community well as we begin a new and exciting chapter for our school,” noted Teri McCloughan, Interim President. “Jeb will be a strong and impactful leader for Cretin-Derham Hall, with a strong commitment to the student and family experience.”

Educational Leadership

In his leadership roles in Catholic high schools, Myers has a proven track record of establishing a culture of excellence for schools that were growing and expanding, or most recently, in schools that were experiencing enrollment challenges. His focus on strategic partnerships with donors, community leaders, and companies successfully advanced the mission of increasing access to Catholic education. On a similar note, he respects the impressive record of generosity and support that he sees in the CDH community when it comes to making the CDH experience available to those who chose it.

“Cretin-Derham Hall is distinctive because it has evolved over the last two centuries to meet the needs of the students and parents it is serving at that moment,” noted Myers. “It is amazing to think that right now, there are graduates of Cretin, Derham Hall, and CDH all over the globe sharing their talents to make the world a better place because they were afforded the opportunity to develop their God-given talents in spirituality, reading, writing, problem-solving, character, and leadership here.”

As a former principal, Myers understands the student and parent experience is paramount. To do this well, he values the role of school culture as well as curriculum. He places a high priority on the teachers because, as he explains, “Teachers are partners with parents to motivate, inspire, challenge, guide the student to explore, develop and define who they are.”

As part of the search process, Myers spent two days on campus meeting with many constituents. A highlight of that visit was his time with the students. In talking to them, he was amazed at how passionate the students were about their full experience, both inside and outside the classroom. This year, 98% of all CDH students participate in one or more sports, clubs, or activities, and it resonated with Myers as he talked with the students. “Each face brightened as they shared the numerous clubs, sports and activities they participated in...And each one of them had several of these things they rattled off when asked what made their time at CDH important to who they are...not just one thing, but many.”

It is this sense of community, some would say ‘belonging,’ that draws Myers to CDH. He notes that he believes we are ‘all better together,’ and the high participation rate at CDH is not only important for a sense of belonging, and a chance to develop personal interests and talents, it also results in our students choosing multiple ways of making our community stronger.

Foundation of Faith

Myers also believes that Catholic education is the one place a student can fully develop his or her self — spiritually, physically, intellectually. His personal faith is a foundation for his leadership in education.

“God is always there for me in times that I thrive and times that I struggle. The Lasallian value of reminding ourselves that we are always in the holy presence of God reminds me that God is with me and I need to treat those around me well because God is also with them. The Sisters of Carondelet remind us to love our neighbor without distinction,” reflected Myers. He noted that one of his favorite verses is Joshua 1:9, *Be resolute and strong. Be not afraid nor dismayed for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.*

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Jeb as a Lasallian Volunteer living with the Christian Brothers’ community. Brother William Johnson FSC (center right) was the founding principal.



Jeb with a group of 8th grade students of San Miguel Camden attending a Human Rights Conference at the United Nations in 2001.



From the top of Longs Peak in Rocky Mountain National Park.



The Myers Family: (Back Row) Paxon and Tait. (Front Row) Sela, Jeb, Charlene, and Kaia.

FUN FACTS

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE TO VISIT?

Glacier National Parks: the hikes, the air quality, the views, the elevation, the serenity, and the formations are spectacular.

WHAT PASSIONS/HOBBIES DO YOU PURSUE?

Starting in high school and all through college, I ran competitively. I competed semi-professionally after college and have run 8 marathons. I was 21st overall in the 2005 Twin Cities Marathon. I still run today, in all kinds of weather!

WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO READ?

I read 25 books last year, including *Atomic Habits* by James Clear, *American Nations* by Colin Woodward, *Staying Sane* by Greg Harden, *Holy Moments* by Matthew Kelley, and *Innovator's Spirit* by Chuck Swoboda.

WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST JOB?

Berens Supermarket in Shakopee at age 10. I learned that I liked to work and that I did not want to be in the grocery business my whole life.

WHAT IS YOUR GUILTY PLEASURE?

Ice cream. And water...a former student once wrote a poem about my love for water.

WHAT QUOTE OR MANTRA IS MEANINGFUL TO YOU?

Serenity Prayer: God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can change, and the wisdom to know the difference.

WHAT WOULD YOUR CHILDREN CHANGE ABOUT YOU?

My family would like me to change my consistent long goodbye at Church or family gatherings when I keep talking to people. They roll their eyes when I am talking to anyone too long after church.

IS PURPLE YOUR FAVORITE COLOR?

As a Johnnie, I'll need to learn how to become comfortable wearing purple. For Christmas, my family did get me a purple tie!

“Cretin-Derham Hall is a place of opportunity and excellence. Families choose CDH because it is a community where students are able to develop their talents, sense of belonging, and faith.

It is an honor to be entrusted by the Board to serve as the next President. I look forward to working alongside students, parents, faculty, staff, alumni, and the Board to advance the vibrant shared mission established by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and the Christian Brothers.”

— JEB MYERS, INCOMING PRESIDENT, CRETIN-DERHAM HALL

Personal Story

Born and raised in Shakopee, Minnesota, Jeb and his wife, Charlene, are proud parents of four children. “I am blessed to have found my best friend to share our lives and our four kids together,” reflected Myers. He and Charlene met as young teachers in Camden, New Jersey at the Lasallian Middle School where she was a Jesuit Volunteer and Myers was a Lasallian Volunteer.

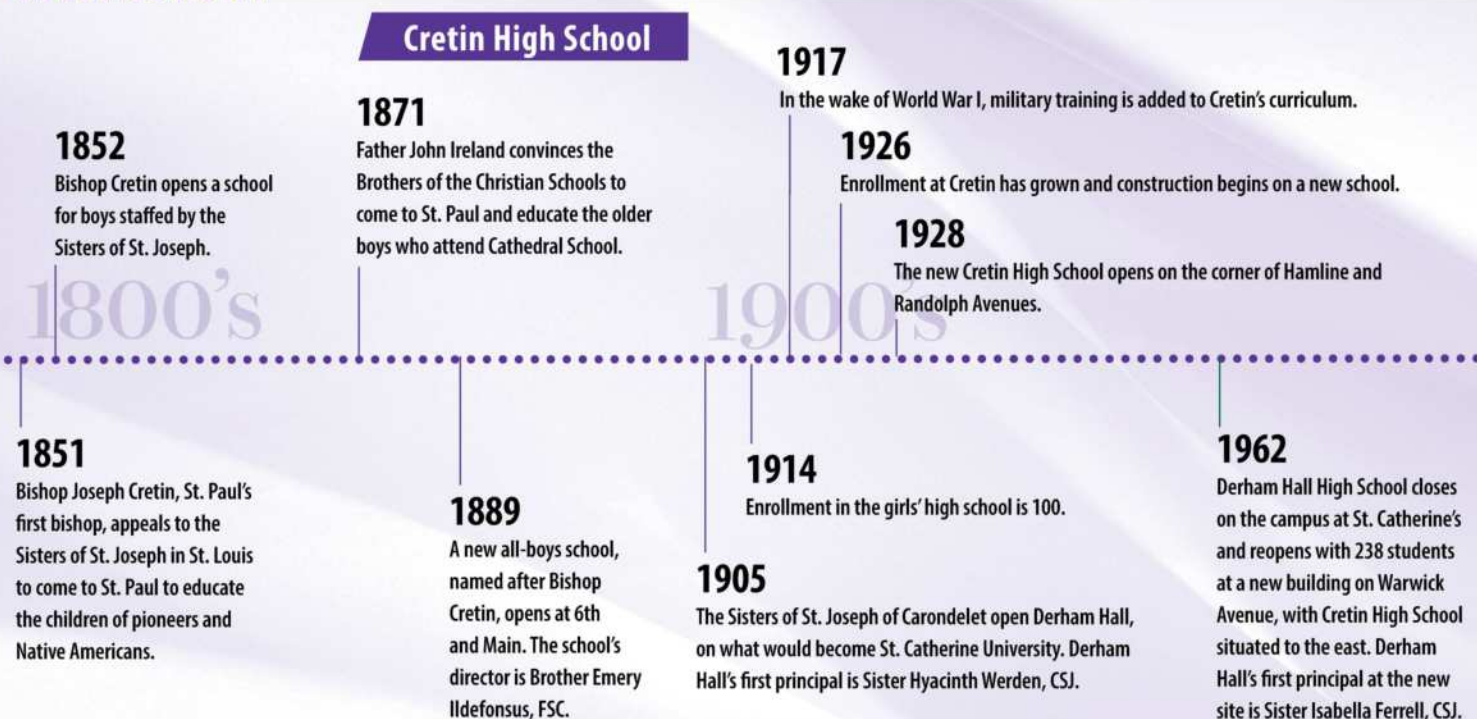
“We are blessed with a family who likes being together and gets along really well. We all work hard at the things we are interested in, celebrate each other and everyone does their part to make our house function well. Laughter is a big part of our family.”

The family belongs to the Church of St. Margaret Mary in Golden Valley where Myers also serves as lector and trustee. He is a graduate of St. John’s University, with his graduate work at Saint Mary’s University of Minnesota in both Educational Leadership and Business Administration.

As a child, his mom’s family owned a grocery store in Shakopee from 1874 – 2001. “My family was super influential in my life. My parents’ work ethic, my mom’s faith, my grandfather’s drive for excellence was always reflected in the store when serving customers (and during competitive family gatherings.)”

He attended Shakopee Area Catholic Schools and Shakopee High School, where he enjoyed sports, playing Basketball, Baseball, and Track and Field. He was also a DARE leader and worked on the school newspaper. He balanced school, sports and worked 20+ hours a week at the store.

CDH HISTORY



Derham Hall High School

He knows firsthand the impact of the four critical years of high school. One of his high school teachers, Dale Vaughan, proved to be a very impactful presence in his life and showed Myers how to motivate and challenge his students while living his values, loving his family, and teaching young people. “He mixed high academic expectations with strong moral and leadership lessons...he was a tough grader and gave authentic praise that you worked hard to earn. He built relationships with students.” Mr. Vaughan may sound familiar to some in the CDH community as he was the father of a former CDH English teacher, Susan Vaughan-Fier.

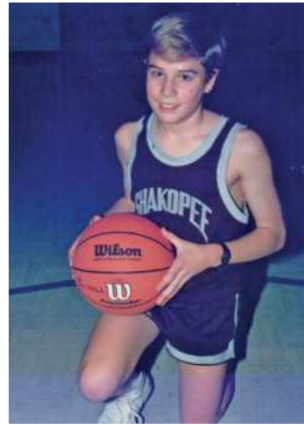
He also mentions another mentor, his Cross-Country and Track and Field Coach at St. John’s University and Cretin grad, Tim Miles ’73, who empowered his athletes to define their personal success and build into their daily life the habits needed to achieve that success.

“These are life lessons that guide my personal life, and I work hard to make sure students can discover their own potential, oftentimes through the people in their lives and the opportunities — big or small — that may come their way.”

Transition in Leadership

Although Myers will officially begin June 1, 2024, he and Interim President Teri McCloughan have already started laying out the transition process. McCloughan will remain as Interim President until Myers starts, and will continue to provide support during the transition period.

During the interview process, Myers was impressed with how passionate each person is about CDH and looks forward to building upon that strong foundation right away.



In 8th grade, Jeb played basketball at Shakopee Area Catholic Schools (Also the Raiders!).



As a competitive runner, Jeb raced in the Steeplechase at MIAC Track and Field Championships 1997.

(Photo Credit: Paul Pasche)

“My top priority is to get to know as many members of the CDH community as possible,” said Myers. “I want to listen and learn about why each chooses to be a part of this community. What do they cherish the most? Where are the opportunities for improvement? How can we serve our students in an even more meaningful manner?”

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and the Christian Brothers will formally install Myers as President during the school year. Details will be forthcoming.

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Cretin-Derham Hall

1987

The newly-merged, co-ed Cretin-Derham Hall opens. The school’s first co-principals are Sister Susan Oeffling, CSJ, and Brother Michael Collins, FSC.

2015

Francis M. Miley, J.D. announced as next president of Cretin-Derham Hall after Engler retires.

2024

Jeb Myers begins serving as the next president of CDH.

2029

Current graduating seniors will celebrate their 5th year reunion.

1980's

2000's

1986

The Sisters and the Brothers enter a merger agreement between Derham Hall and Cretin.

1990

Richard R. Engler was hired to become the first lay president/principal of Cretin-Derham Hall.

2023

Upon the resignation of Miley, Teri McCloughan, J.D. is named Interim President.

2074

Current graduating seniors will celebrate their 50th year reunion.

// For more information on the interesting History and Traditions of CDH, visit c-dh.org/history.

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SEARCH PROCESS

Following the resignation of former president Frank Miley last year to assume a leadership role at the Otto Bremer Trust, the selection process to name a new president was guided by the eleven-member Search Committee named last summer. The Search Committee was representative of our community and included our Sponsor Representatives, Sister Katherine Rossini, CSJ and Brother Francis Carr, FSC.

Maria Wagner Reamer '82, Search Chair, was committed to a community-inclusive process, which began with an online survey to gather feedback from all constituents to inform the search. Our search consultants also spent two days on campus to understand the needs and culture of the school through meetings and forums with all constituents before finalizing the job description, recruiting, and vetting all the applicants. Once properly vetted by the search consultants and interviewed by the Search Committee, three finalists were invited to campus. Each finalist spent two days meeting students, faculty and staff, and community members. Participants in these finalist visits were then asked to complete a survey which was thoughtfully reviewed by the Search Committee as they discerned their recommendation to the Board, and ultimately to our Sponsors.

"I am grateful to this entire community — the students, faculty and staff, our donors, friends, and board — for their engagement, input, and support throughout this process," noted Reamer. "Because of our work together, we have chosen an excellent partner to lead CDH into the future. On behalf of our community, it is my great honor to welcome Jeb Myers to CDH."



Dear Cretin-Derham Hall Community,

Greetings students, faculty, staff, parents, alumni, and benefactors,
I look forward to joining you as mission partners of Cretin-Derham Hall!

It is an honor to be selected by the Cretin-Derham Hall Board to serve as the next President. The hundreds of kind notes through email, text, and LinkedIn have been heartwarming. Thank you. I am excited to join you all in June and begin to work together to build on the over 150-year-old tradition of providing a transformative experience for young people.

The Cretin-Derham Hall mission is most impressive because it is a shared mission. The Sisters of Saint Joseph of Carondelet and the Christian Brothers' respective charisms, while beautiful in their own way, are better together when lived out at CDH. It is clear in this community that the loving of the dear neighbor without distinction and providing a human and Christian education to young people are daily experiences, not just values.

Students, faculty, staff, parents, alumni, and benefactors all express in action their commitment to honoring God's presence in prayer and social justice, academics and activities, leadership and service, diversity and belonging.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible at school and alumni events, athletic competitions, fine arts performances, Masses and community celebrations. Please do not hesitate to reach out and introduce yourself. I want to learn what inspires you the most about Cretin-Derham Hall and how we might work together to continue this strong and beautiful tradition of preparing young people for an ever-evolving future.

In peace,
Jeb A. Myers

My Friends,

In January, I concelebrated the funeral of Brother James William Clarey, FSC. In the late sixties when I was at Cretin, Brother Bill was director of Dunrovin Retreat Center located just north of Stillwater and owned by the Christians Brothers.

During the liturgy I was moved by the significant contribution he made in my life as well as the lives of many others he ministered to throughout his life. There were a number of Brothers gathered for the celebration of his life. And I started thinking about how they also had and still impact the lives of young people today.

Sitting in Assumption Catholic Church in Saint Paul, I listened to the generous words spoken about Brother Bill's life. I realized his great gift, his amazing grace, was his counsel. His listening presence and counsel revealed his hope that we use our gifts for others. And he believed when we are on "the edge" in life, we are actually approaching another threshold. A threshold we would walk through and discover a newness in life we had not ever imagined.

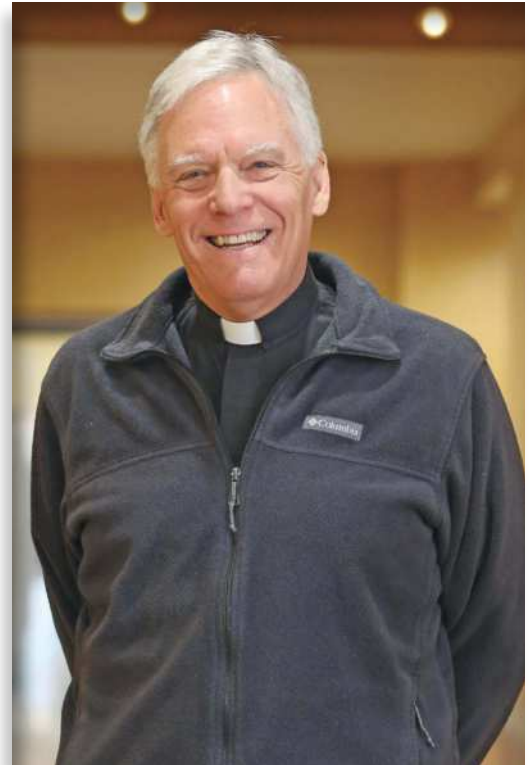
The years each class spends at CDH are relatively short when you compare to one's whole life. But what I realize (and maybe you realize too) is the enormous impact of the Brothers, Sisters, faculty, staff, coaches and a variety of individuals who momentarily helped us know ourselves better. I don't know one person who taught, shared or worked with me who didn't leave some kind of impression. Most of these impressions were good experiences. Some were not...and even the ones that were not, taught me how to deal with people who I do not agree with or maybe do not even like.

The beauty of going to a Catholic high school like CDH has always been the same no matter what year we graduated or what entity: Cretin, Derham Hall, or Cretin-Derham Hall. The experience has not only formed our minds but also shaped our hearts. Its very mission challenged us to always go deeper and to live gracefully because our minds and hearts are in sync. Balanced and connected, we work toward the common good of all.

With the appointment of Jeb Myers as our new president, we begin a new year and a new chapter in the history of Cretin-Derham Hall. We hope for good for him, ourselves and the entire community. He offers the professional qualities of leadership needed for the years ahead. He understands that he has been not only called to lead with his intellect and experience, but also to lead with his faith and heart. In both the mind and heart, God's grace abounds.

As we cross another threshold at Cretin-Derham Hall, we build on the legacy of the Brothers, the Sisters and the lay Faculty and Staff present or gone. Through their inspiration and counsel, we traverse the unknown with hope about what lies ahead. For they knew, if we could and when we do, Jesus lives in our hearts forever.

Father Patrick Kennedy '69



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Black Heritage Celebration:
Brooklyn Johnson '24,
Yohannes Balema '24 and
Allyssa Edomaruseh '24.

"The Hurst Family Experience" members greet students.

"Hands of Christ."

Native American Heritage Celebration:
Ironboy Records perform and teach students native dance.



Celebrating Cultural Heritage at CDH

CDH celebrates many unique heritages throughout the year, often by gathering the student body and bringing in guest speakers and performers. This creates a unique platform to explore and appreciate the rich cultures within our school community. By showcasing the importance of diverse backgrounds, we deliver a powerful message of value for each individual's unique heritage.

The significance of these celebrations goes beyond cultural appreciation; it extends to preparing our students for a globalized world. As we inspire and educate students for their futures, exposure to different cultural heritages enhances their open-mindedness and adaptability. Understanding diverse cultures enables us to better serve the varied needs of our student body.

"Celebrating diverse heritages and their stories contributes to a positive sense of identity, self-worth, and success," said Kim Royston '06, Assistant Principal and Director of Dignity and Inclusion. "That positive sense of identity and self-worth was displayed during our Native American Celebration when a seemingly shy 9th-grade student asked to read a reflection about his family's Native American Heritage. Before his reflection, he was nervous and timid, but when he started, his nerves left, and his story captivated the audience, leaving him glowing with pride and confidence."

The response to our heritage celebrations has been overwhelmingly positive. Feedback surveys consistently highlight the events as engaging, educational, and centered

around the students. This reinforces our commitment to creating meaningful experiences that resonate with our school community.

Here are several heritage celebrations that took place in the past year. Planning is underway for the upcoming Asian American and Pacific Islander celebration on April 29.

Black Heritage Celebration

The theme for our Black History Month celebration was "The Black Church," highlighting how the black church and gospel music impacted African Americans' ability to persevere. Brooklyn Johnson '24, Allysa Edomaruseh '24, and Yohannes Balema '24 spoke about black history and their own personal experiences. The Gospel singing group, "The Hurst Family Experience" and the praise dance group, "Hands of Christ" performed musical selections.

Native American Heritage Celebration

The Native American Heritage Celebration included reflections by two students, Clare Lasure '25 and Etienne Sebastien-Rojas '27, as well as a performance by Ironboy Records, an indigenous-owned company that provided dance and music related to Native American tribes.

The students learned about Native American culture and how the beautiful, colorful clothing worn in the performance



ABOVE: Hispanic Heritage Celebration:
Students take Bachata and Salsa lessons.

LEFT:
2023 Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Celebration:
Members of Theater Mu.

was handmade, mostly by the performers themselves. In addition to this celebration, Dr. Treuer, Professor of Ojibwe at Bemidji State University, spoke to several classes throughout the day.

Hispanic Heritage Celebration

Hispanic culture was celebrated with an Hispanic Heritage Celebration that included reflections from students and performers from the community. Denise Bueno '27 and Alana Nuñez '24, both current CDH students, reflected on their Hispanic background and traditions. The Peña Mariachi Band played music combining the spirit of Mexican tradition with Mexican pop and folk music and the Yirri Dance Studio, featuring ADA and Tommy, connected students through expression and dance by providing Bachata and Salsa lessons.

Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Celebration *(As celebrated in 2023 — a 2024 assembly is planned in April)*

The Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Celebration gave students the opportunity to learn about and pay tribute to the achievements, contributions, and challenges of the AAPI community.

Theatre Mu, the second largest Asian American theater organization in the country, was an integral part of the celebration with a panel of speakers and performance titled “The Importance of Seeing Ourselves.” Wesley Mouri, a Theater Mu staff member, discussed how Asian American representation in mainstream media is crucial to stopping our communities from being “othered.”

Registration for CDH Summer Camps Now Open

The Cretin-Derham Hall Athletic Department is pleased to announce the 2024 Summer Camp dates for the upcoming summer. Registration is now open!

This year, CDH will offer a wide range of different sports camps for both boys and girls. Programs are offered for elementary and high school students. The 2024 camp options include the Raider Speed and Strength Program, the Daniel Oturu '18 Basketball Camp and the Steve Walsh '85 QB Camp, as well as other sports camps covering girls basketball, football, boys and girls' tennis, boys and girls' soccer, volleyball, softball, baseball, and wrestling.

Camp dates, hours and cost vary and are offered between June and August. Note, locations may be different from previous years. Due to construction this summer at CDH, the basketball camps will be held at Faithful Shepherd Catholic School in Egan and Nativity of Our Lord School in St. Paul. Our wrestling camp will be held at Holy Spirit School.

“We are thrilled to provide a variety of sports in our summer camp platform for girls and boys ages 8 –15,” said Matt Funk, CDH Athletic Director. “We look forward to welcoming a long line of Future Raiders into our community.”

Go to cdhraid.org/summercamps for a list of camps and registration information. Contact Tony Yazbeck in the CDH Athletic Office at 651-696-3342 or tyazbeck@c-dh.org if you have any questions.



Meeting Students Where They Are with Mental Health

The CDH Counseling Department and Student Support Team are committed to “meeting kids where they are” and reaching out to students at their current mental health levels. Beyond the conventional academic and college preparation guidance, students are offered social-emotional counseling in various formats. Several mental health programs are offered throughout the year.

As a supplement to our one-on-one social-emotional counseling, the Counseling Department has a collaboration with Phoenix Counseling for tele-counseling on weekends and evenings and offers small group counseling on topics like grief, anxiety, and academic skills. They also go into classrooms with guidance lessons on topics such as building a support network, finding balance in your class schedule, and time management.

A recent addition to our mental health offerings is planned mental health programming, scheduled by our Student Support Team. Thanks to a generous donation, the CDH Student Support Team has been able to address the wellness of our school community through year-long programming. Outside speakers/performers join us throughout the year for grade-specific or all-school mental health focused programming.

The CDH counseling department and Student Support Team are firmly dedicated to meeting students at their level in terms of their mental health and remain steadfast in promoting the well-being of our students.

Jane Young, one of our CDH counselors, said of their approach “We try to help students navigate current high school issues as well as prepare them for success in the future.”

Here are a few examples of some recent mental health programming:

Tasha Schuh:

Resilience for Mental and Emotional Health

Students and staff had the privilege of welcoming inspirational speaker Tasha Schuh, whose mission is to equip youth and educators with resilience for mental and emotional health.

Tasha Schuh’s journey to becoming a motivational speaker started with her own life-changing experience. At the age of 16, she faced a devastating theater accident that left her paralyzed from the chest down. However, through her determination and the development of the PATH framework (Purpose, Attitude, Team, and Hope), Tasha not only overcame immense adversity but also embraced a vibrant and fulfilling life.

Collide Theatrical Dance Company: Destigmatizing Mental Health Issues

Collide Theatrical Dance Company, a non-profit professional dance company dedicated to telling narrative stories



Collide Theatrical Dance Company members perform “Wonderland.”

through dance and movement, presented the musical production *Wonderland*, a show that aims to de-stigmatize mental health issues. Characters from *Alice in Wonderland* face challenges, explore what “normal” means, and share an uplifting story of empathy, acceptance, and friendship in the face of mental illness. The story is told using Collide’s signature blend of high-energy dance set to a pop-rock soundtrack.

Jeremy Anderson:

Resiliency, Kindness and Making Connections

Jeremy Anderson, who speaks to groups all over the world about challenges he has faced and his road to success, came in to speak to CDH students about resiliency, kindness and making connections. He encouraged students to give 100% and to be the very best version of themselves.

Joe Beckman and Willow Sweeney:

Creating Human Connection, Finding Purpose, and Developing Self-Esteem

Students separated into two groups (boys and girls) to listen to Joe Beckman and Willow Sweeney, a former teacher at CDH, speak about creating human connection, finding purpose, and developing self-esteem and feeling good about ourselves during these challenging times.

“Willow and Joe did an excellent job engaging students and reminding them to be kind to themselves and find balance in their lives,” said Amy Bellus ’90, Assistant Principal and 10th Grade Dean. “This message has never been more important than it is right now.”

**For more information on counseling at CDH,
please visit c-dh.org/academics/counseling.**

Fine Arts Students Connect Globally through The Memory Project

Cretin-Derham Hall student-artists fostered international connections through their art. This year, 11 CDH student-artists created original portraits for the impactful “Memory Project,” a non-profit organization connecting youth through creativity. This initiative invites art teachers and their students to create portraits for youth worldwide facing significant challenges, including neglect, abuse, loss of parents, and extreme poverty.

The Memory Project, initiated in 2004 by Ben Schumaker during his time at the University of Wisconsin, aims to connect global youth through art, fostering cultural understanding and international kindness. Reflecting on the project’s evolution, Schumaker expresses gratitude for the dedication of art teachers and students who contribute to these collaborative efforts.

Sue Cranston, Art Teacher at CDH, has been an integral part of this transformative project for seven years. She shares her enthusiasm, saying, “Every year that I’ve been here, we have given our students the chance to do this. It’s a wonderful project!”

Cranston’s connection with The Memory Project dates back to 2017, when she received an email from Ben Schumaker, prompting her immediate commitment to the mission of creating a kinder world through art. Recalling the early years of CDH’s involvement, Cranston highlights the growth in student participation, emphasizing the project’s special significance.

“This very special project means so much to me because I DO believe that art DOES connect people together — regardless of geography, age, or any other characteristic,” says Ms. Cranston. Her passion for teaching drawing and painting, coupled with a deep appreciation for portraits of children, aligns seamlessly with The Memory Project’s objectives.

Cranston further emphasizes the unique bond formed between CDH students and the children in the portraits. “They get to know the special young child in a unique way because they will study the photograph closely and really think about how to get the portrait ‘just right,” she shares.

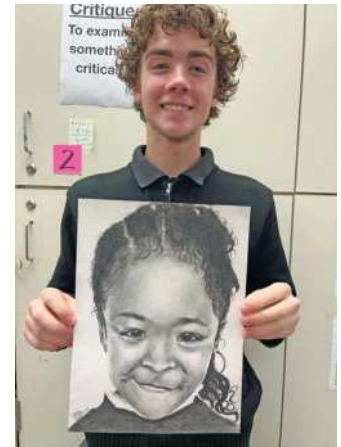
In addition to fostering artistic skill development, The Memory Project serves as a powerful tool for cultivating empathy and understanding among CDH students. As Cranston proudly notes, “I can’t say enough good things about The Memory Project and how proud I am of my students! They put their heart into these drawings & paintings and to top it off... They are proud of themselves too!”

For those interested in witnessing the emotional impact of The Memory Project, go to memoryproject.org which features the latest videos capturing the heartwarming moments when students receive these meaningful portraits. As CDH continues to participate, the Fine Arts department remains dedicated to instilling kindness, global awareness, and artistic excellence through this inspiring initiative.

Several student-artists with the portraits they created



Allysa Edomaruseh '24



Delvin Tachney '25



Catherine (Kate) Stenberg '26 and Xinyue Cui '25



Bryn McSherry '26, Maya Remer '27, Grace Hire '26

Dr. Bishoff Strives to Make Religion Meaningful

Claire Roscher Bischoff '97 is a Religion Teacher at CDH since 2022. After graduating from CDH, she majored in religion at St. Olaf, and completed her Masters in Religion at Luther Seminary and her PhD in Religion at Emory University. She then taught theology at St. Catherine University in both the undergraduate and graduate programs for 10 years before coming back to CDH. She is a proud mom to Will (15), Henry (13) and Bridget (9).

Why did you become an educator?

I had really great experiences with religion teachers in high school that led me to want to be an educator. Mr. Gleich, who is now my colleague in Campus Ministry, invited me to go on an Urban Plunge. We served lunch at a soup kitchen and got to talk with residents of a halfway house. This experience opened my eyes to issues that I had previously been blind to, such as homelessness and addiction.

In my Christian Scripture class, Mr. Watkins challenged me to approach the Bible in an academic way. He helped me to see that religion was more than piety, that it was something that could be studied and thought about deeply. Because of this, studying religion became my focus in college and beyond.

When I took Prayer and Spirituality, I learned that prayer is not just going to Mass and repeating the words of memorized prayers. One of my favorite parts of teaching is introducing people to new prayer practices, like praying with icons or doing silent meditation.

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet have figured prominently in your life story. What inspires you about their mission?

When you learn about the history of the Sisters, you see how they have always shown up to help those who need it most — from women lacking in education to immigrants to the Twin Cities. Additionally, I think it is important that they say we are to love the dear neighbor. Not a neighbor we tolerate, but a neighbor who is dear to us because we can see God in the neighbor.

How do you make the teaching of religion meaningful to students?

I start by working with the students to create a community of learning in the classroom; we need to know each other. I have discovered students feel more comfortable discussing class content and going deeper with each other if they do.

Equally as important is inviting students into experiences of the sacred. Religion is so much more than knowing certain things with our brains. Religion has been a part of human lives for all of our history because it can help us to be more connected to ourselves, to others, to the world around us, and to God. I spend time in my classes introducing students to spiritual practices that can lead to these sorts of connections. For example, students learn to focus on their breathing, to do a meditative reading practice called *lectio divina* (Latin for sacred reading), and to look for the holy in the natural world. My hope is that in this variety of

spiritual practices, students can find ways that work for them or perhaps to identify other spiritual parts of their daily lives.

What do you wish adults knew about high school kids?

High school students are more spiritual than most people assume. When we start talking about faith in class as a person's orientation toward themselves, other people, the world around them, and the sacred, I get these amazing glimpses into the ways that high school students live their faith day to day. And they have the most amazing questions to ask about faith, religion, spirituality, theology! We do our young people such a great service by inviting their questions. St. Anselm famously described theology as faith seeking understanding. It is part of our human nature to ask questions, to want to know more, to ponder. It is also an important part of our development as people of faith.

What inspires you about CDH students today?

I am inspired by the sheer variety of passions our students have and their willingness to share their stories and find ways to invite others into their passions. Last year, I taught a champion skeet shooter, an accomplished ceramicist, two students who had started their own non-profits... the list goes on and on.

I am continually inspired by the way our students show up for each other and support each other. The way our community pulled together after a student's tragic death last year took my breath away. To see students reaching out to offer hugs and words of comfort to each other, sometimes to people they didn't even know... it was a remarkable display of their depth of compassion and love.

What other ways are you connected to the students and adults on campus?

I am a faculty advisor for "Letters of Love," a national non-profit through which students make cards for kids who are in children's hospitals around the world. I was approached by two students who wanted to start the club. I was pleased to help out, because this is an excellent way for our students to do small acts of service on a regular basis, to reach out in love to kids they do not know. And, as my students will tell you, I am always looking for an excuse to break out my classroom boxes of markers and colored pencils.

This year I have also started Meditation Mondays. During flex on Mondays, students, faculty, and staff can come to the chapel to learn various forms of prayer, meditation, and contemplation. The practices we use are very inclusive and work for all students, no matter where they are on their spiritual journey.

“I am inspired by the sheer variety of passions our students have and their willingness to share their stories and find ways to invite others into their passions.”

— CLAIRE ROSCHER BISCHOFF '97

FAST FACTS

HOT OR ICED COFFEE?

Somehow, I still don't like coffee! I prefer hot or cold iced tea. Or Diet Peps!

BEACH OR POOL?

Beach. I am not a great swimmer, but I love to stand in the shallow water and look out at the expanse of the water.

TARGET OR AMAZON?

Both! I grew up in Minnesota, so I am a loyal Target shopper. But it is so handy to buy things on Amazon.

WHAT DO YOU DO FOR FUN WHEN YOU ARE NOT TEACHING?

I love going on adventures around the Twin Cities with my kids. I love hiking, and I have a goal to visit all of the National Parks. I have been to nine so far. I enjoy going for walks or meeting up for coffee with friends. I have recently taken up watercoloring, and I always love reading, preferably contemporary fiction and mysteries.

FAVORITE PRAYER OR SPIRITUAL SAYING?

“All will be well.” Julian of Norwich, a medieval English mystic who lived through the Black Plague, so I trust her when she says that all will be well.



GiveCDH Day was a fantastic success, raising \$895,141 to support tuition assistance. This keeps tuition lower for each and every student and provides significant needs-based aid so that any family who wants a CDH education for their children can get one.

This was an all-community effort! The Derham Hall and Cretin Classes of 1960 once again rallied their classmates, resulting in 21 donors! Thirteen donors from the 1940s donated. A third of all donations were given by parents and past parents! New this year,

our sponsors, the Christian Brothers and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, encouraged new and increased gifts with a Sponsor Challenge, resulting in increased gift amounts from 383 donors and 46 new donors!

The impact is significant: 66% of our current students receive \$3.1 million in tuition assistance, ensuring the families that want a CDH education receive the financial support they need to make it happen.

So many good things going on at CDH!

- Total enrollment is 922, making CDH the largest Catholic high school in Minnesota
- 1/3 of student body (304) participate in JROTC
- 98% of students participate in at least one (of 70) co-curriculars offered
- Four National Merit Scholarship Commended Scholars and one semi-finalist this year
- Center for Entrepreneurship launched

We can only help students with you by our side. Thank you for supporting Cretin-Derham Hall on GiveCDH Day and for helping us meet all challenges throughout the giving period!

CDH Annual Fund

The Annual Appeal is the lifeblood of our school. This funding is critical for managing tuition costs, a growing need for tuition assistance, fair teacher compensation, and other operational needs. We asked Director of Annual Fund, Peggy Gilligan to explain why the Annual Appeal matters to our students.

How does each and every student benefit from an annual donation?

Every gift of every size makes an impact on our students and their families because **donor dollars lower tuition!** The true cost to educate a student this year is \$19,525, but tuition is set significantly lower at \$16,105. This **GAP of \$3,420 is covered by the generosity of our donors.** Significant tuition assistance is also available for 66% of our families in need of more support. Plus, students benefit when they have top-notch teachers to guide and challenge them, and donor dollars ensure we pay our teachers a competitive salary. The school relies on this critical funding to ensure excellence on many levels.

Where does the money come from for tuition assistance or scholarships?

Gifts made to the Annual Appeal support the school's greatest need, which, in general terms, is vital tuition assistance and scholarships for our current students. For over 66% of our students, this assistance helps them afford a CDH education. The generosity of the parents, faculty and staff, past parents, and our alumni and friends is amazing, humbling, heartwarming — and frankly, critical!

How do I donate to the Annual Appeal?

Everyone receives an Annual Appeal letter or email to ask for your consideration. Gifts can be made year-round. Your gift (or often multiple gifts) to the Annual Appeal can take many forms, but the first decision is to give either once or set up a recurring gift. Recurring gifts are not only a convenience for the donor, it is beneficial for the school.



GIVING IS EASY...

Three easy ways to give:

- 1 Mail your gift to Cretin-Derham Hall
- 2 Give online at c-dh.org/donate
- 3 Venmo@CretinDerhamHall

Let us help you!

Contact Peggy Gilligan at
651-696-3319
for more information.



ONE

Cretin-Derham Hall

A celebration of **all** our alumni

The ONE CDH Alumni Event was held on September 14 in the Joe Mauer Field House. Alumni and friends gathered to enjoy an evening of school spirit and pride in CDH!

Generations of alumni connected with one another and reconnected with classmates. The reunion classes of 1998, 1973, and 1963 were recognized. The program also featured the comedy of Tommy Brennan Schneeman '12. A good time was had by ALL alumni!

Alumni, plan to gather on campus during an all-new, alumni-focused Homecoming celebration on September 26, 27, and 28! More information on page 20.

TOP LEFT: Several young alumni gathered at the event.

TOP RIGHT: Jackie Joyce Lutmer '80 and daughter Jessica Lutmer '22.

MIDDLE: Br. Michael Rivers (center) with Buzz Hannahan '94 and his wife Sara.

BOTTOM: Comedian Tommy Schneeman '12 and his mom, Erin Schneeman.



Breakfast with Santa

The CDH Alumni Board hosted the third annual “Cookies & Cocoa with Santa” in the Lentsch Forum on December 9. Raider alumni, family, friends, staff and community enjoyed cookies and cocoa while visiting with one another and Santa.

Courtney Marek Rankin '05, Vice President of the CDH Alumni Board, attended as a host and volunteer, as well as a parent. She said “This is one of my favorite events of the year. It’s the most welcoming way you’ll find to meet Santa anywhere! And it’s free and open to all in the greater community!”

Many volunteers make this family-friendly event possible, including the JROTC cadets who stepped in as Santa’s helpers and piano player Alexa Wahlberg '26 who played Christmas music throughout the event.

The CDH Alumni Board works to build connections with current CDH students, as well as alumni, family, friends, and community members.

2024

Cretin-Derham Hall



HOMECOMING

SEPTEMBER 26-28

Welcome Home, Alumni!

Save the Dates

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner

Joe Mauer Field House, CDH

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Welcome Home Events

Alumni On Campus

- Alumni Mass
- Lunch
- Campus Tour

Homecoming Football Game

- Alumni Happy Hour before the football game at a local pub
- Game at UST Stadium

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Raider Family Fest

CDH Girls and Boys Varsity Soccer Games on Wingerd Field

- Food Trucks
- Kids Games and Activities
- Tours of the School

NEW THIS YEAR:

CDH invites ALL ALUMNI from Cretin, Derham Hall, and Cretin-Derham Hall to come home, especially the reunion years ending in -4 or -9.

Hail CDH, Let's Go!

Check the Homecoming 2024 webpage for more information coming soon.



Questions?

Contact Megan Fee Smith '00,
Alumni Relations &
Events Coordinator at

651-696-3389 or msmith@c-dh.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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Class Reunions

Planning is underway for reunions to be held later this year, particularly for the milestone reunions! If your graduation year ends in 4 or 9, stay tuned for more information on your reunion.

NEW FOR 2024: ALL alumni are invited home to CDH for Homecoming! Some class reunions will occur as part of Homecoming Week. Other class reunions may occur on different dates. In either case, ALL alumni are welcome to celebrate together with special events designed for our alumni! It would be great to see you here for Homecoming!

If you would like more information on holding your class reunion during the Homecoming at CDH, contact us!

Rob Bollinger, VP for Advancement: rbollinger@c-dh.org

Megan Fee Smith '00, Alumni Relations & Events Coordinator: msmith@c-dh.org

1949 — 75 YEAR REUNION**CRETIN CLASS OF 1949****SEPTEMBER 6, 2024**

Mass and Lunch at CDH

Reunion Committee: Dick Copeland,
Fran Goswitz

1954 — 70 YEAR REUNION**CRETIN CLASS OF 1954****SEPTEMBER 27, 2024 —****Homecoming Weekend**

Reunion Committee: Mike Ackerson,
Dan Rossini

1959 — 65 YEAR REUNION**CRETIN CLASS OF 1959**

No formal reunion planned. Join us for
alumni homecoming events!

1964 — 60 YEAR REUNION**CRETIN CLASS OF 1964****SEPTEMBER 27, 2024 —****Homecoming Weekend**

Reunion Committee: Tom Goswitz,
Allen Shetka, Jim Shiely, Greg Poferl,
Tim Scanlan

1969 — 55 YEAR REUNION**CRETIN CLASS OF 1969**

No formal reunion planned. Join us for
alumni homecoming events!

DERHAM HALL CLASS OF 1969

No formal reunion planned. Join us for
alumni homecoming events!

1974 — 50 YEAR REUNION**CRETIN CLASS OF 1974****SEPTEMBER 20, 2024**

Golf at Keller Golf Course
Dinner at Tinucci's Event Center

SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

All-School Event at Mendakota
Country Club

Reunion Committee: John Barrett,
Bill Fleischhacker, Greg Hoffman

DERHAM HALL CLASS OF 1974**SEPTEMBER 20, 2024**

Dinner at DeGidio's

SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

All-School Event at Mendakota
Country Club

Reunion Committee: Helen Erb Barrett,
Anne Nichols McQuillan

1979 — 45 YEAR REUNION**CRETIN CLASS OF 1979****OCTOBER 4, 2024**

Details coming soon!

OCTOBER 5, 2024

All-School Event at Pool & Yacht Club

Reunion Committee: Kevin Galligan,
Tom Traxler

DERHAM HALL CLASS OF 1979**OCTOBER 4, 2024**

Details coming soon!

OCTOBER 5, 2024

All-School Event at Pool & Yacht Club

Reunion Committee: Patricia Arnold
Long, Peggy Gartland Schafer,
Barb Murphy Doran, Anne Bilski Conlin

1984 — 40 YEAR REUNION**CRETIN CLASS OF 1984****AUGUST 24, 2024**

Golf at Highland 9
Dinner at Skinner's Pub

Reunion Committee: Joe Harris,
Matt Reinartz, Tom Rooney

**ATTENTION CLASSES OF 1989, 1994, 1999, 2004, 2009, 2014, 2019!**

We haven't heard your plans yet. If you would like to be part of your Class Reunion Committee, we are here to help!

We are excited to welcome you home to CDH, whether your reunion plans are scheduled on Homecoming or not!

CDH CALENDAR

// MARCH 2024

- 1 Trimester II Exams
- 16 Mother/Son Event
- 19 Feast of St. Joseph
- 21 Make Up Registration for 9th Graders
- 25 Easter Break (through April 1)

// APRIL 2024

- 1 Easter Break
- 2 School Resumes
- 16 Grandparents' Mass
- 18 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 20 Father/Son Event
- 22 Blood Drive

// MAY 2024

- 13-17 Fine Arts Week
- 17 Prom
- 29 Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement

// JUNE 2024

- 3-4 Trimester III Exams

// JULY 2024

- 8 Raider Open Golf Tournament

// AUGUST 2024

- 24-25 New Student Orientation
- 24 11-12th Grade Business Day
- 25 10th Grade Business Day
- 28 First Day of 2024-2025

// SEPTEMBER 2024

- 23-27 Homecoming — School Celebrations
- 26 Homecoming — Athletic Hall of Fame
- 27 Homecoming — Alumni on Campus and Football Game
- 28 Homecoming — Raider Family Fest

Visit c-dh.org for the most up-to-date Cretin-Derham Hall school calendar.

Did you know...

LIFT Supports Teacher Education for Young Men

The Christian Brothers, whose mission of education has been paramount in their ministry since St. John Baptist De La Salle opened a school in France in 1682, have launched an innovative new program to support teacher education for men interested in teaching and coaching.

"There is a tremendous void of male teachers nationally, particularly in our Catholic and Lasallian schools," explained Br. Pat Conway '71. He designed this program to provide both college credit and immersion programming with significant financial support to young men who aspire to teach and coach. "There is an ever-widening gap between female and male teachers in Catholic schools, with only 19% of K-12 teachers being male (compared to 24% in public schools). We know male teachers serve an important role by providing diverse perspectives and mentoring for students who may lack male role models in their lives."

The Lasallian Institute for the Formation of Teachers (LIFT) is designed specifically for college-age men enrolled in Lasallian Catholic colleges and universities. LIFT covers a Fall semester and two summer sessions. Students will travel to Chicago, Illinois; New York City; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Memphis, Tennessee; Narragansett, Rhode Island; and Browning, Montana. In addition, one month will be spent in Bogota, Colombia.

- Participants earn up to 31 academic credits and pay only \$8,500 (average cost for same credits was \$34,000 in 2023/24).
- Room and Board — no charge.
- Books and Fees — no charge.
- Travel to immersion sites in the US — no charge.
- Travel to Bogota, Colombia — no charge.

The first cohort begins this summer. If you are a high school senior or a college student, please contact Br. Pat Conway '71 at pconway@cbmidwest.org for more information.



"There is an ever-widening gap between female and male teachers in Catholic schools, with only **19%** of K-12 teachers being male (compared to **24%** in public schools).

If you have someone you would like to nominate for a Community Award, please scan this QR code.



2023 COMMUNITY AWARDS DINNER HONOR IMPRESSIVE ALUMNI AND FRIENDS



The Cretin-Derham Hall Community Awards Dinner was held on October 23, 2023 at the Saint Paul Hotel. This evening celebrates and recognizes the significant accomplishments of our distinguished alumni and friends, along with the support and congratulations of the entire community.

The interesting life stories and the reason why these people are honored by CDH is worth your time. To view the full story of each honoree, including photos and more, scan this QR code and click on each name to view the video.



BACK ROW: John McMahon, Mike Salmen '83, Gene Scarpanski '60, Frank Miley, Shady Salamon '08.
FRONT ROW: Connie McMahon, Nancy Jo Black (on behalf of Lt. Col. Jacques Michienzi), Jean Whaley '76, Jennifer Schutz (on behalf of Jane Richards), Carolyn Dienhart '08, Anne Bisanz Hannehan '69.



MONSIGNOR AMBROSE HAYDEN LEGACY AWARD

Jane Richards

Presented in recognition of Monsignor Hayden for his outstanding service to the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis as Vicar General, this award recognizes individuals whose spirit and energy reflect an understanding of the need to preserve the past and provide for future generations. Recipients exemplify the charisms of the Christian Brothers and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet.

Jane Richards began a lifelong connection to CDH when she married her late husband, Gene '48. All eight of their children — Michele, Mary, Ann, Sue, Mark, John, Matt and Jenny — attended school at Derham Hall, Cretin, and Cretin Derham Hall. Their four grandchildren also attended CDH.

Gene was born in St. Paul, where he attended Saint Andrew's Grade School in the Como area and later attended Cretin. After Cretin, Gene began to immediately work for the W.A. Lang Insurance Company and spent his entire career there, rising from office boy to insurance sales and finally as President and CEO.

Gene and Jane were married in 1953. After Gene served in Korea they started their family. To ensure a connection to their heritage, Gene had each child become registered members of the Red Cliff Band of



BISHOP CRETIN AWARD

Mike Salmen '83

This award is presented annually to a distinguished Cretin alum in recognition of his outstanding service to the community and to Cretin-Derham Hall, and for his achievements in his profession exemplifying the highest and best traditions of Cretin High School. This award is presented in memory of the school's founder Bishop Joseph Cretin, the first Bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Mike Salmen '83 grew up in St. Leo's parish and attended Highland Catholic before coming to Cretin. His seven siblings all attended Cretin or Derham Hall. Their father, Tom '35, was also instrumental in fundraising for the school.

While attending Cretin, Mike participated in Student Council, service and volunteer activities, basketball, football, and golf. He met many great friends he continues to see today. Mostly, Mike values the great community and the endless possibilities provided through his education. The experiences at Cretin taught him the importance of community, which he considers a "lifetime commitment" that continues after high school.

That spirit followed Mike to the University of St. Thomas, where he earned a degree in Accounting and then to the University of Minnesota where he continued his education with an MBA in Finance.

During college, Mike worked part-time with Welsh Companies and upon graduation, he started full-time employment. Mike and a few



HUGH DERHAM AWARD

Anne Bisanz Hannahan '69

This award is presented annually to a distinguished woman who is reflective of the charisms of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and Derham Hall. Women who receive this award have exemplified Derham Hall's ideals of excellence, service, and love of the dear neighbor.

Anne Bisanz Hannahan '69 has a long family legacy with CDH. Her father, Leonard Bisanz, graduated from Cretin in 1936 and her sisters graduated from Derham Hall. Anne's husband, John Hannahan III and his brother, Mark, are both graduates of Cretin. Anne and John's children — Buzz, Colette, Jack, and Kay — attended CDH. Granddaughters — Lily and Helena — are recent graduates and their sister, Bea, will graduate in 2025, 100 years after her great-grandfather, John Hannahan II, Class of 1925. The family created the Colette M. Bisanz '26 Scholarship in honor of Anne's aunt, a Derham Hall graduate.

Anne's connection to the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet has long been a part of her life. The "love of the dear neighbor" was fundamental throughout her education. After Derham, Anne earned

Lake Superior Chippewa. Jane’s energy was focused on her family and in her spare time, she enjoyed volunteering at St. Joseph’s Hospital, the Guild of Catholic Women, Habitat for Humanity, Dorothy Day, Meals on Wheels, and Loaves and Fishes.

This spirit of service was shared with her husband Gene who also did fundraising for Cretin-Derham Hall and realized that the cost of tuition may be prohibitive for American Indian children. He created the Asa Di fund at Cretin to provide scholarships to students of American Indian heritage. Gene passed away in 1999 and Jane has continued to fund the Asa Di scholarships today.

Doing something meaningful doesn’t necessarily mean it has to be the biggest act you’ve ever done, but a culmination of small acts done over time. By what my grandma has taught me, simply just being there for someone, no matter who they are, can make a world of difference; whether that be a close friend, family member, or a complete stranger. Those same people we help, can help us in return by teaching us their own values and ways they find strength in their day to day lives. That is how we connect and create bonds that will last us a lifetime.

— MAURA SCHUTZ ’22, GRANDDAUGHTER

work associates started a company called Equity Commercial Services in 1996. Later, the company merged with Transwestern. Mike played an integral role in bringing Transwestern to the Twin Cities marketplace and building it into one of the region’s premier commercial real estate firms.

Many of Mike’s core values were lessons learned from his parents, Tom and Lone, whom he calls “the best people he’s ever had the opportunity to meet.” The values of humility and the ability to always do the right thing were influential in Mike’s life. His brother, Bob, also influenced Mike with his positive attitude, despite health challenges. The Salmen family created the Thomas ’35 and Lone Salmen Memorial Scholarship to honor the values instilled in them. Mike continues to support CDH and previously served on the CDH Board of Directors.

Mike is married to Dina Salmen. Their three daughters — Kayla, Ellie, and Sam — all attended Cretin-Derham Hall and they inspire Mike to be his best.

“Mike is among the most recognized and revered leaders in the Twin Cities’ real estate community. To know Mike is to know Integrity. Instilled by his family, and supported through his education, Mike does the right thing day in and day out. That trustworthiness endears Mike to his peers, partners, and the broader community. Mike is patient, thoughtful, inclusive, and most of all, generous with his time. The real estate industry is better because of Mike.”

— GREG MUNSON, J.D., PRESIDENT OF TRANSWESTERN REAL ESTATE SERVICES

a Nursing degree and a Master’s degree in Counseling Psychology. She also enrolled in the Center for Spirituality and Healing at the U of M and the Mind-Body Institute at Harvard Medical School.

Anne is a Consociate with the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. She was the Executive Director of the HealthEast Healing Center and also the Director of Oncology Therapy at HealthEast, where she developed one of the first psychosocial oncology programs for cancer patients and their families to attain psychotherapy free of charge. Anne conducted research at the U of M, focusing on breast cancer survivors and the emotional effects on their children. In 2014, Anne co-founded Growing Community Roots, a nonprofit organization to raise funds for safe water and sanitation in Kenya.

“By her belief in the CSJ’s charisms, “moving always toward the profound love of God and love of neighbor without distinction,” Anne nourishes her spirit, family, and all those around her, and inspires social action and justice by partnering with others. She is truly an inspiration to all of us who know her.”

— ANITA DUCKOR, CSJ CONSOCIATE AND CO-FOUNDER OF GROWING COMMUNITY ROOTS



THE CARONDELET AWARD

Jean Whaley, Sc.D. '76

The Carondelet Award is presented annually to a distinguished woman who is reflective of the charisms of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and Derham Hall. Women who receive this award have attained eminence in their particular field of endeavor.

Jean Whaley '76 is the fourth child and youngest daughter of John Whaley '40 and Jeanette Michel Whaley. Jean and her seven siblings — Mary, Kathy, John, Thomas, Timothy, Gregory, and Kevin — attended Derham Hall or Cretin High School. Jean attended the College of Saint Catherine, earning a degree in chemistry. Jean pursued graduate studies in Toxicology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the Department of Nutrition and Food Science and a Doctor of Science degree through the Department of Cancer Biology at the Harvard School of Public Health, and was trained as a postdoctoral researcher at Harvard and the Massachusetts General Hospital.

For over a decade, Jean led the Diabetes and Metabolic Diseases Discovery Biology group at Bristol-Myers Squibb to advance 20 drug candidates for the treatment of diabetes. She specialized in



EUGENE AND MARY FREY COMMUNITY AWARD

John and Connie McMahon

Instituted in 1999 in recognition of the tremendous commitment Eugene '48 and Mary Frost Frey '52 have demonstrated to Cretin-Derham Hall and the larger community, this award is presented to individuals who reflect the mission and values of Cretin-Derham Hall through deep connection and involvement with Cretin-Derham Hall and other community interests.

John McMahon attended public schools until he attended Saint Thomas Academy. He recalls the commitment of the Catholic school teachers and administration to guiding, challenging, and supporting him throughout high school.

Connie also attended public schools, eventually teaching both high school and middle school in Omaha. Her teachers and coaches exhibited caring, nurturing and supportive traits, which inspired her to become a teacher.

Their shared love of education followed them into their college years. John attended Creighton University, majoring in accounting and philosophy. He notes that experiencing the Jesuit principles of heart, mind and soul embedded in the education was very formative. Connie attended the University of Nebraska, majoring in math and coaching basketball at the local YMCA and high school clinics.

Married in Omaha in 1988, John and Connie moved to Saint Paul for John to attend law school and Connie applied for a teaching position at the newly merged Cretin-Derham Hall. Retiring in 2019, Connie's teaching career at CDH spanned twenty-nine years. John also



ST. DELASALLE AWARD

Gene Scapanski '60

Presented annually in honor of the Christian Brothers to a distinguished alum in recognition of his outstanding service to his community and to Cretin and Cretin-Derham Hall. This award recognizes his achievements in his ministry exemplifying the highest and best traditions of Cretin High School.

Gene Scapanski '60 recalls the excitement of opening his acceptance letter to Cretin High School and a group of friends who supported each other throughout high school and beyond. His teacher, Brother Gabriel, gave them excellent advice: "Gentlemen, how would you like to have lived your life? Now, you have 70 years — go and live it that way!"

Gene entered the seminary at St. Paul's Nazareth Hall and earned a philosophy degree at the St. Paul Seminary. Later, he completed a Licentiate in Sacred Theology from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. and earned a Doctorate in Sacred Theology from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas in Rome, Italy. He married his late wife, Marilyn, and together they raised two daughters, Nicole and Tanya, and are blessed with five grandchildren.

metabolic disease drug discovery, and served as the preclinical biology lead for the SGLT2 drug discovery program, which led to the clinical advancement and regulatory approval of Farxiga®, the first approved SGLT2 inhibitor.

Jean is a scientific leader in drug discovery in the pharmaceutical industry with twenty-one years at Bristol Myers Squibb and later at Janssen Pharmaceuticals/Johnson and Johnson. She is the co-author of thirty-six peer reviewed publications and has published twenty-one abstracts. Jean holds three patents, filed in 2004, 2007, and 2008. She retired in 2018 to care for her husband, Brian, until he passed away in 2022. Jean continues to work as a consultant in life sciences.

“Jean worked in Oncology and Metabolic Diseases researching new medicines on behalf of patients to improve health and longevity. Most notably, Jean led the discovery efforts in the SGLT2 area, benefiting patients with diabetes, heart failure and chronic kidney disease. Jean’s leadership in this area, and the discovery of Farxiga®, has directly benefited millions of patients. Her work was always characterized by the qualities of integrity, urgency, creativity, and a particular style of leadership that inspired the team to be cohesive and collegial. Jean is the consummate scientist and leader.”

— BRUCE ELLSWORTH, PHD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FIBROSIS AND ONCOLOGY DISCOVERY, CHEMISTRY AT BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB

coached at CDH and he assisted with many teams, including: girls golf, basketball, and the alpine ski team.

Their five children attended CDH and they thrived in the diverse community, receiving rigorous academic training from dedicated teachers. Each one participated in many activities, especially theater productions and athletics. They believe these opportunities infused strong values and offered them the ability to explore and refine their interests in a nurturing community.

Connie valued the distinctive sense of community at CDH. She taught many siblings, and several parent-child sets throughout her career, which allowed her to experience the multi-generational families connected to CDH.

Beyond their impact at CDH, they served the community in many ways, especially through John’s work with the archdiocese with the Aim Higher Foundation and the Jeremiah Program, a nonprofit organization that offers one of the nation’s most successful strategies to help families transform from poverty to prosperity.

“John and Connie McMahon are so very deserving of this award. Connie taught math at CDH and her dedication and commitment to kids was exemplary. She was especially interested in working with the students who struggled with math concepts. Both John and Connie were very involved in CDH school activities and the parent community. They have an active interest in, and give their total support to, the financial stability of CDH. John has been a leader in providing for the future direction of Catholic education in the Archdiocese. Catholic education is extremely important to both Connie and John and their lives have demonstrated this fact.”

— DICK ENGLER, PAST PRESIDENT, CRETIN-DERHAM HALL

Gene was involved in education and church ministry throughout his career. After being a Director of Religious Education and Youth Ministry with the Diocese of Richmond, Virginia, he returned home in 1975 to become the founder and director of the St. Thomas Graduate Programs in Pastoral Studies. He also served as the first Vice President for Mission at the University of St. Thomas.

After his retirement in 2008, Gene served many charities, including Board Chair for The Link, an organization working with youth and families to overcome the impact of poverty and social injustice.

Gene appreciates that CDH remains true to its traditions, especially academic excellence and the role of faith.

“For Gene Scapanski, family, faith and friends have been his life’s calling. His interactions with his daughters, their spouses, and especially his grandchildren, manifest a deeply genuine love for and delight in them.

(Professionally and personally) he has nurtured both ecumenical and interfaith relationships, bringing to them a wisdom born of an authentic love of Jesus Christ. Also, Gene’s gentle and hospitable spirit, plus his profound respect for every person, enrich his life with an enviable array of friends. To know Gene is to know one of God’s ambassadors of goodwill and the common good.”

— FATHER JOHN FORLITI ‘54



RICHARD R. ENGLER LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Lt. Col. James Anthony "Jacques" Michienzi '43

The Richard R. Engler Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to honor a lifetime of exemplary service and dedication to Cretin-Derham Hall and the broader CDH community. This award is presented in recognition of the long history of service by Dick Engler, the President of Cretin-Derham Hall between 1990 and 2015, whose commitment and hard work impacted generations of CDH families.

As a veteran of three wars — World War II, Korea, and Vietnam — Lieutenant Colonel James Anthony "Jacques" Michienzi has always been eager to serve. Quite possibly, he is the most decorated veteran alive today.

He remembers Cretin as a place where the Christian Brothers were dedicated to the development of young men and were serious about good behavior. As a Captain in JROTC, Michienzi was in the Officers' Club, as well as the Calisthenic and Crack Drill platoons. He was involved in a variety of activities and was co-captain in Football, Basketball, and Baseball.

After graduation, he started his combat service in Belgium, where he fought in the Battle of the Bulge. As a member of the 513th Parachute Infantry, he parachuted to the German side of the Rhine in early 1945.

As a first lieutenant in Korea, he refused medical treatment when wounded in order to lead his men to safety. In Vietnam, he led a battalion known as the "Iron Fists," known for overtaking the



SIGNUM FIDEI AWARD

Carolyn Dienhart '08

The Signum Fidei award is presented annually to young alumni whose career and actions are reflective of the ideals of the Christian Brothers and the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

Carolyn Dienhart, PhD '08, attended Cretin-Derham Hall, where she excelled academically and as a student-athlete, participating in soccer and basketball. Carolyn recalls CDH as an opportunity to serve and connect with community and great mentors.

Carolyn studied Psychology and Business Administration at the University of St. Thomas, where she was an Aquinas scholar, Tutor Mentor, Student Athletic Advisory Council member, a captain of the women's basketball team, and an educational assistant in the psychology department. Carolyn was an Academic All-Conference honoree twice and was awarded a Young Scholars grant twice. She was a nominee for the 2012 Tommie Award.

Carolyn earned a doctorate in Psychology from the U of M where she taught graduate level courses in psychology, published several



SIGNUM FIDEI AWARD

Shady Salamon '08

The Signum Fidei award is presented annually to young alumni whose career and actions are reflective of the ideals of the Christian Brothers and the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Carondelet. Shady exemplifies those ideals through his impressive career in the medical device and technology profession and his dedication to making the world a better place.

Shady Salamon grew up on the West Side of St. Paul. He learned about the value of a Cretin-Derham Hall education from a coach and his uncle, and he understood that the opportunities provided at CDH could help him achieve his dreams. Shady recalls taking two city buses every day to attend CDH, and he was dedicated to the process of learning in the classroom and from his coaches.

At Cretin-Derham Hall, Shady played football, basketball, and track. As a senior, Shady was selected as a finalist for the Winfield Award, recognizing achievement in athletics and academics. He was also involved as a mentor for fifth grade students along with community service projects and volunteer work. He credits the friendships he developed while attending CDH as pivotal in his life and he talks with his core group of high school friends daily.

Shady continued his studies at the University of Minnesota, earning a football scholarship and received recognition as a member of the

opposition while suffering fewer casualties. He is one of only 325 American heroes awarded the Combat Infantry Badge for having served in combat during WWII, Korea, and Vietnam.

After WWII, Michienzi enrolled at Nevada University and joined the ROTC program, earning the honor of Distinguished Military Graduate of the Class of 1951. He met his wife, Dorothy “Dody” Michienzi, at the airport when he was back in St. Paul visiting his mother. They married, and he joined the Berlin Command as an operations officer in 1957. Their first daughter was born in Berlin and the family lived there until 1960. Michienzi formally retired from the military on June 1, 1973. He and Dody raised their three daughters — Anne Marie, Nancy Jo, and Lisa Jean — in North Carolina.

For the last fifty years, Michienzi has been devoted to ensuring his fellow veterans receive the recognition they deserve, writing commendations and speaking at Veterans’ Day and Memorial Day events. In 2019, he traveled to Normandy, France with a group of high school students in honor of the 75th anniversary of the D-Day invasion.

“Lt. Col. Michienzi is a role model for not only our cadets and students at Cretin-Derham Hall, but all Americans. He is the most honored member of the CDH JROTC Raider Brigade and his character, values and selfless service serve as a beacon for our cadets to follow each day. His love of and devotion to his nation and his fellow citizens is at the fundamental heart of patriotism and our Catholic Faith.”

— COLONEL (RET) JOE SCROCCA, SENIOR ARMY INSTRUCTOR, JROTC AT CDH

articles, and is currently working towards her Professional Coaching Certification.

As a Principal Consultant at Korn Ferry in Minneapolis, a global consulting firm, Carolyn coaches leaders, advises companies on hiring decisions, and helps companies build better environments for their people. Known for her empathetic and thoughtful approach, Carolyn specializes in assessment and leadership development to help clients exceed their potential.

Carolyn enjoys running, cooking, and reading with her book club. She volunteers and fundraises for A Mile in My Shoes, an organization that promotes individuals supporting and running alongside one another, despite diverse backgrounds and experiences. Recently, Carolyn ran in the City of Lakes Half Marathon.

“Carolyn is an amazing woman who makes each person she encounters feel seen and heard. I had the honor to coach Carolyn in women’s basketball at St. Thomas. She extended herself to others to create a bond committed to high standards and invested in joy and love for her fellow teammates. She is a rock, someone you can count on, believe in, and celebrate. I know she is making a difference in her profession and am so proud of the woman she is today!”

— RUTH SINN, WOMEN’S BASKETBALL HEAD COACH, UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS

Big Ten All-Academic Team. He graduated with a Business and Marketing Major in the Carlson School of Management. After graduation, Shady was recruited by a pharmaceutical sales company and moved to St. Louis. Later, he moved to Chicago to continue his career with Stryker, a medical technology company, specializing in the Foot and Ankle division.

The foundation of service and volunteerism he experienced as a student at CDH translated into his professional life. Shady traveled to Liberia on a medical mission to provide essential surgeries to people in need. He worked with an orthopedic trauma doctor and completed twelve foot and ankle surgeries in three days.

After ten years of experience in orthopedic surgery and expertise with medical devices, Shady takes pride in knowing surgeons rely on his knowledge as a professional advisor to guide them through surgical procedures as he assists the patients and their medical teams.

“Shady Saloman was born to be a star. Through hardships and humbling beginnings, Shady never let circumstances define his limits. He was the first in the weight room after riding the city bus to CDH while maintaining close to a 4.0 GPA. Now, as a well-respected sales representative for Stryker Orthopedics, he also serves underrepresented communities in his free time. Shady’s mindset, focus, and consistency are why he is more than deserving to receive the Signum Fidei “Rising Star” award.”

— KIM ROYSTON '06, FORMER CLASSMATE AND TEAMMATE, DIRECTOR OF DIGNITY AND INCLUSION AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, CRETIN-DERHAM HALL



HONORARY ALUM

Frank Miley

A special award for those distinctive individuals who did not graduate from Cretin, Derham Hall, or Cretin-Derham Hall, but whose love of CDH and commitment to the school's mission and values is exemplary.

Frank Miley was President of Cretin-Derham Hall from 2015 - 2023, and Vice President for Advancement for 8 years before that. He resigned last year to become the Co-CEO and Trustee of the Otto Bremer Trust.

Under his leadership, the school maintained excellent academic programming and opportunities for students to develop their faith, and continued to uphold the mission of our sponsors, the Christian Brothers and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, in making the school accessible to those families who wanted a CDH education. He oversaw the funding and construction of important campus facilities including the new Lentsch Forum and the Ryan STEM Center, solidified strong fiscal management and donor impact including three successful donor campaigns, and managed the challenges of COVID-19 and other social issues.

He was widely respected for how he consistently applied CDH values to his efforts to build relationships with students, alumni, friends, and donors. His commitment to Catholic identity, strategic excellence, financial stability, and campus improvements were evident in every aspect of the Cretin-Derham Hall experience. The entire Cretin-Derham Hall community is grateful for his dedication to the mission and values of CDH and his leadership during these pivotal years. He left CDH on strong footing as it moves into a new era.

In recognition of his fifteen years of dedicated service and leadership to the Cretin-Derham Hall community, and in gratitude for his commitment to advance the mission and provide a strong foundation for the future of Cretin-Derham Hall, Frank is now officially counted among the alumni of our school.

"Frank performed his role with a focused passion to make CDH a school that strives for excellence. With a servant leader's heart, he has implemented our mission by truly applying the CDH values to his actions and his efforts during his time here. His vision and heartfelt belief in the impact of a CDH education on the lives of our students was inspiring."

— TERI MCCLOUGHAN, INTERIM PRESIDENT, FORMER BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHAIR

WAY TO GO, JOE!

Congratulations Joe Mauer '01!

2024 Inductee Baseball Hall of Fame

Once a Raider, Always a Raider!



Help Us Find Our Alumni

Please help us to locate these alums from the CDH classes of 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010 and 2015. We encourage you to update your information, including: married name, email, address, and phone number online at c-dh.org/UpdateInformation or contact **Megan Fee Smith '00** at msmith@c-dh.org or 651-696-3389. Thank you.

CLASS OF 1990

Ingrid Clark Freyinger
Christy Faison
James Greeley
Molly Gruber Williams
Jason Josephes
Rick Koester
Andrew Manthey
Erica Masterman Fellner
Anne McKim Eldridge
Edward Mikesh
Gail A. Mollner
Brian Mulhern
Sean P. O'Connell
Scott H. Wahlstrom
Janell L. Winter Olsen

CLASS OF 1995

Timothy M. Altier
Patrick R. Anderson
Tamara R. Anderson
Sean M. Connelly
Margaret Cunniff Melillo
Timothy Donohoo
Jeffrey J. Galatowitsch
Bradley Glynn
Devan B. Greene
Stephen Griesgraber
Scott A. Hansen

Jennifer L. Krejce
Michelle A. La Casse
Dennis McElroy
Michael W. McManus
Eric Mondry
Jennifer A. Norqual
Bernadette M. Pollard
Nicole Rager-Weber
Charles Sadler
Mark H. Schubert
Neil P. Senauer
Kelly E. Sheehy
Daniel A. Sierra
Amethyst L. Smith
Jaime Stacey
Lore Ugalde
David Vang
James V. Wilson, III

CLASS OF 2000

Zachary Beckmann
Sara N. Befort
Beau Brueggemann
Nicholas J. Hagen
Kariann Hansen
Rafael C. Harrington
Ann Marie James
Calvin Johnson
Christine Kirk Emond

Jolene M. Larson
Timothy R. Lemmons, Jr.
Erin H. Mackley
Molly Marchessault
Darren McGill
Erin McLaughlin
Amelia Nelson
Joseph Otremba
Peter Schlosser
Elizabeth K. Stone
Wesley Villegas
Benjamin Werner

CLASS OF 2005

Thomas Hauer
Matthew Himebaugh
Matthew H. Jackson
Rachel Kloek
Kevin Meyer
James P. Moorman
Aiiko Naozaki
Claire O'Leary
Ashley Ott
Ashley Roberts
Kathleen A. Siemers
Lisa Singh

CLASS OF 2010

Anthony F. Calderon
Paige L. Goetz

CLASS OF 2015

Rafael Fuentes



**We need
your help!**

CDH Alumni

Do you still live at your parent's house?

If not, please update us on where we can send reunion information, class updates, and other news about CDH.

Parents of CDH Alumni

We are making a tremendous effort to update our addresses for our CDH alumni. Many of them still have your address in our database and we need your help to update our data. Please notify us of your son's or daughter's current contact information or have them visit the link below to update us easily online.

Go to c-dh.org/UpdateInformation

1930s



^ Lt. **James W. Daly '33†** was the subject of the podcast *Left Behind*. Lt. Jim Daly was bed-bound and immobile in a full-body cast when Bataan fell during World War II.

1940s



^ The **Cretin Class of '47** met for lunch on Memorial Day.



^ **Dick Houck '47** was at a recent "Car Show" with his 1950 Army Jeep. He found another Jeep with an original motor, removed it and installed it in his Jeep.



1950s // **Mike Ackerson '54, Bob Sevenich '54, Jim Pratt '54, Roy Holm '54, Bob Paulson '54, Denny Holisak '54, John Taylor '54, Pete Seghieri '54, Dan Moran '54 and Dan Rossini '54** Cretin graduates, got together for a luncheon. **Bob Paulson '54** started the get-together with the recorded Cretin Rouser performed by the Cretin marching band, and they all sang along.

1950s

Fr. **Ken Pierre '55** and Fr. **George Kinney '55** are celebrating the 60 year anniversary of their ordination this year.



^ **Bob Loughrea '56** and **Tom King '56**, lifelong friends and classmates, toured CDH. They visited many rooms that are still here and many new spaces like the Ryan STEM Center. Fun fact: Did you know that the current Lillian Theater was their gym back in the 50's?

Rev. **William E. Nadeau '56** wrote the book *Reflections of Father Bill: A collection of Homilies by Rev. William Nadeau* and dropped off a copy at CDH, available in the LLC.



^ Together again! The **Derham Hall Class of '57** got together to celebrate with Sue Morrison.



^ The **Cretin Class of '57** had lunch at Gabes by the Park and met with Teri McCloughan, the Interim President of CDH.

1960s



^ The **Cretin Class of '63** had their monthly luncheon at the Pool & Yacht Club side by side with the class of '63 from St. Thomas Academy. Both of these classes meet the second Thursday of each month at the Pool & Yacht Club but are usually in separate rooms.



^ **Jim Whalen '67** and his family stopped into CDH for a tour of the school and met with **Steve Walsh '85**.



^ **Bert Christiansen '69** watched **Michael Floyd '08** birdie at hole #11 at the 3M Open Pro-Am in July.

1970s



^ The Class of 1972 had a team breakfast. **Jerry Ryan '72, Dan Stone '72, Paul Overbeck '72, Tim Weyandt '72, Greg Dooley '72, Dave Buzickey '72, Dan Gavin '72, Paul Molitor '74.**



^ **Kevin Bohman '72, Tom Schaffhausen '72 and Scott Murray '72** flew down to Dallas, Texas to surprise **Mike Gribben '72** on his 70th birthday in November, 2023. Fun fact: These Roseville boys would hitch-hike home from Cretin every day because the city bus did not go all the way to Roseville.

Derham Hall Class of '73 enjoyed their reunion at Casper's Cherokee Restaurant. An "All-School" 50th Class Reunion was held at the Pool & Yacht Club. Many alumni "came home" to Minnesota from all over the United States, including California, Nevada, and Arizona.



^ Members of the **Cretin Class of '76** had a great day golfing at the Highland Golf Course. The day was organized by **Mike Blake '76.**

Bill Robertson '79 retired from the U.S. Hockey League on June 30, 2023. Prior to that he was commissioner of the WCHA for 2 years.

1980s

Barbara J. Duffy '81 has been recognized in the Super Lawyers, part of Thomson Reuters "Top 50: 2023 Women Washington Super Lawyers" list! Only 5% of attorneys are selected to Super Lawyers® and even fewer are given this additional recognition.



Paul Kotz '81 wrote a book, *Profiles in Kindness: Stories of Inspiration & Everyday Leadership*, that was a finalist for the 2021 Best Book of the Year Award.

Dennis Rosemark '84 was recognized as the Minnesota Section of American Water Works Association Volunteer of the Year.

Jeffrey Duffy '85 has a new role as Director of Emerging Growth at Netradyne!

Martha Lee '87 is writing about people who inspire her to be more hopeful and issues that she wants to be more hopeful about on her Ruthlessly Hopeful Blog.



Joel Chiodi '89, executive producer, had two documentary TV mini-series come out. The first is a 4 part doc series called *Merpeople*. The second is called *The Secrets of Hillsong*.

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1960s // Alums from the **Cretin Class of 1961** gathered for their Christmas luncheon at DiGidio's Restaurant.



1970s // The **Cretin Class of '73** gathered for Mass and a tour of the school. Other activities included a golf outing at Highland and a dinner.

CLASS REUNIONS



Class of 1963 // About thirty members of the **Cretin Class of '63** gathered for a Memorial Mass, reunion luncheon, and tour of the school.



Class of 1968 // **Cretin Class of '68** had a reunion luncheon.



Class of 1983 // The **Derham Hall Class of '83** created two events for their 40th reunion. They gathered at CDH to pack boxes for Second Stork to honor the Sisters of St. Joseph with a service project and then in the evening they met at the Pool & Yacht Club.

1990s

Chris Weinke '90, the 2000 Heisman Trophy winner, will be inducted into the Minnesota State High School League Hall of Fame as part of the 2024 class.



^ **Joe Kasel '91** has started a new restaurant in St. Paul. Now open: Pauly's Pub and Grill in the former Kalsada location on 1668 Selby Ave.



^ **Michael Noyes '95** opened his new restaurant, The High Hat, on 485 Selby Ave. in St. Paul!

Megan McMahon Plum '96 started a new position as Managing Director and Director of Marketing and Events at Guiding Star Wakota.



^ **Molly Gallatin '97** is starting her new role as Vice President, Communications for the 2026 Special Olympics USA Games.

Ellie Roscher '98 published her first children's book, *Remarkable Rose*, in August 2023.

Jamie Blaeser Nikolai '99 has a new position as a Program Change Manager with Synchrony.

2000s

Cecelia Zappa Harry '00

takes a new position as Vice President of Economic Development for Size Up in Colorado.



Katie Herron Robb '00 starts a new position with CBS Philadelphia as Director of Financial Operations.

Tony Leseman '01, a Human Resources Manager at Mauer Automotive Group, recently graduated from the National Automobile Dealer's Association Academy.



^ **Joe Mauer '01** was inducted into the Minnesota Twins Hall of Fame on Aug. 5 and he made the National Baseball Hall of Fame on the first ballot.

Laura Kramer '03 was recently promoted to Director of Financial Operations at Vanderbilt University.



Matt Riehle '04 played the father in the musical *Next to Normal* at Theatre Latte Da.

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CLASS REUNIONS



Class of 1988 // The **CDH Class of '88** held their reunion on Sept. 16, 2023 at Mancini's.



Class of 1998 // The **CDH Class of '98** recently celebrated their 25th reunion at Shamrock's.



Class of 2017 // The **Class of 2017** recently celebrated their 6-year reunion. The event was held at Plum's Neighborhood Grill & Bar. The reunion committee included: **Molly Johnson '17**, **Amanda Reding '17**, **Sam Miller '17**, **Mandy Weegman '17**, and **Marina Tschida '17**.

Caitlin Schneeman '04

directs *Once Upon a Rhyme*, a hip-hop musical that takes on gun violence prevention. It features a remarkable ensemble cast comprising current students from Cardozo Education Campus and KIPP DC College Prep, as well as out-of-school youth in DC who are under- or unemployed. Find out more at dctheaterarts.org and the *Washington Post*.



Martha Ginder '05 (pictured) and **Emma Wright Burns '07**

were recognized as a "40 Under 40 Honoree" in the March *Biz Journal*. MSPBJ's 40 Under 40 editors at the MSPBJ select 40 leaders under the age of 40 each year, from a pool of hundreds of nominations around the Twin Cities, who have demonstrated outstanding professional achievement while also becoming leaders in their communities.



^ **Matt Carufel '06** served as the CDH football team's honorary captain at a game in September.

Hayley Berrisford Mueller '06 was named the Executive Director of the Park Nicollet Foundation in May of 2022.

Congrats to **Michael Floyd '08** in his new position as a Real Estate Agent at eXp Realty!



2010s

Joe McCullough '10 was recognized as the Real Estate Agent of the Month at Lakes Area Realty of Minneapolis. He is the St. Paul Branch Manager.



^ **Brian F. Smith '11** and wife, Julie Odima Smith '12 had the grand opening of Jersey Mike's Subs in St. Paul!

Sam Krey '12 has joined Padraigs Brewing as the Director of Sales. "I cannot wait to start this new adventure and get some amazing Irish beer in your hands. To any of my Minnesota connections, come stop on by the taproom and have a beer (or three) with us! Cheers."



Tom Vatterott '12 was quoted for a story in the *Star Tribune* regarding low pay for folks working with the homeless. Tom's opinion exchange was also printed in the *Star Tribune*.



^ **James '13** and **John '09 Onwualu** hosted a Meet and Greet for 8th graders at CDH in December. They shared why they chose to attend CDH and the positive impact the school had on them.

Ricardo Johnson III '14 has joined the law firm of Ballard Spahr as an Associate.

Ellen Larson '14 was recognized as a 2023 Minnesota Rising Young Professional by Finance and Commerce. Ellen is a lobbyist and public affairs coordinator for Goff Public.



Ryan Redpath '14 has accepted a new position as a Graduate Civil Engineer at Westwood Professional Services.

Joe Rosga '15 is coaching the CDH girls basketball team as a JV/Assistant Varsity Coach. Joe is an Associate Account Executive with SPS Commerce.



^ **Frank Kimlinger '17** and **Tommy Czech '17** made the team USA 23U Mens Fastpitch team. They played a 4 game series vs Team Canada in Vero Beach, Florida this past April 9-10.

Kallie O'Gara '17 starts a new position as Inside Sales Representative with Michel Sales Agency.



Amanda Reding '17 has accepted a new position as a Sales Operations Specialist at CHS Inc.

Michael Magnuson '17 returns to CDH as the boys hockey team JV Assistant Coach. Michael is a Financial Analyst with Solutran, an Optum Financial company.

Maddie McQuillan '18 will join CommonSpirit Health as a Recruiting Coordinator.

Frannie Hottinger '19 was accepted into the Graduate School of Management, Marquette University. She will also continue her basketball career for the women's basketball team!

Danny Callahan '19 has started his career with Transwestern.

Charles Casper, CALP '19 started his career in real estate as a Senior Assistant Property Manager with Cushman & Wakefield.

2020s

Joe Akoh '20 was an All MIAC honoree for football at St. John's.

Will Burke '20 was announced as a nominee for the 2023 Allstate American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Good Works Team. He attends the University of St. Thomas

Josh Garcia '20 just finished up his third year at the University of St. Thomas on the Dean's List. He is also in his third year working for the UST Men's Basketball program under Coach **John Tauer '91**.

Kalina Fitzgerald '21 started a new position as Marketing Intern at Kansas Athletics at the University of Kansas. Over the summer, she participated as a member of the Pro-Am Committee at the 3M Open Golf Tournament.

Carson Topp '21 joined H.B. Fuller as a Marketing Communications Intern this summer.

Catherine Tracy '21 will work at EY in Washington D.C. this summer as a Government Public Sector Business Consulting Intern.

Riley Bray '22 and **Kali Bray '22**, both attend Bethany College in Mankato as Biology majors and scored high marks on their clay target team. Riley and Kali took 1st and 2nd place in both the skeet and sporting clays conference and Kali took 2nd in trap conference championships. The overall team finished second in conference for seasonal play.

Anna Caruso '22 is working with her dad, Head Football Coach Glenn Caruso, at the University of St. Thomas running the in-game strategy and data analytics.

In Memoriam

This is a compilation of deceased alumni and friends known to us that died between July 1 – December 31, 2023. Please remember in your prayers our deceased Cretin, Derham Hall, and Cretin-Derham Hall alumni and their families, especially:

Margaret "Peggy" Anderson
Geraldine M. Boland
Samuel Casalenda
Br. James William Clarey, FSC
John Farrell
Rose Marie Gleich
Theresa Griep
Robert A. Gunderson
Christian A. Hummel
Melissa Kaltveit
Hon. Mary Louise Klas
Robert Kleason
Marcia M. Lundin
Thomas W. McKeown
Jason Morrissey
Anna O'Gara
Mary Beth Pofert
Tonya Puckett-Miller
Rosemarie Reger-Rumsey
Sister Jean Rooney, CSJ
Kathleen Warren
Virginia Webb, CSJ
Rosemary Williams Barry
Barbara P. Wollan

Richard M. Banz '42
John R. Wolfe '44
Lawrence E. Kaudy '45
James A. Meyer '45

James B. Orput '45
Robert H. Sperl '45
Edward G. Maranda '46
Daniel R. Sevenich '46
Philip J. Just '48
Rev. William J. Kenney '48
L. Daniel Kuechenmeister '48
Elizabeth Mahoney Spillane '49
Dorothy Hart Fabian '50
John A. Niederkorn '50
Joseph B. Hunn, PhD '51
Mary Ellen McDonnell Macho '51
Rev. John G. Donahue '52
John A. Hoschka '52
Patricia Waldorf Casey '52
William J. Benz '53
James J. Gephart '53
Karen L. Harwood '53
Richard T. McMahan '53
Joel F. Peterson '54
William J. Willner '54
John D. Enestvedt '55
William J. Hunt '55
John F. Knodle '55
Lawrence B. Ritter, Jr. '55
Gerald D. Skalky '55
Elizabeth Stephens Skok '55
R. William Reilly '56
Frederick W. Schmidt '56

Charles P. Carroll '57
Harold A. Henriksen '57
Joseph T. Weiss '57
Richard J. Keenan '58
Terry Anderson Alewine '59
Hon. Paul M. Mergens '59
Philip J. Probst '60
Elizabeth Swenson Heisler '60
Richard G. Gruber '61
James A. Just '61
Michael J. Kraft '61
William H. Kuhns '61
Thomas B. Mich '61
James H. Stewart '61
John A. Vornbrock, Jr. '61
Thomas J. Arth '62
Rev. Stephen R. O'Gara '62
Joseph L. Adrian '63
James A. Hannigan '63
Louis Hildebrandt '63
Terrence J. McDonough '63
Terrence M. Crowley '64
Michael McGrath Froats '64
Vincent B. Nonnemacher, Jr. '64
Patricia Holly Carlson '65
Mary Kay Holmboe Spafford '65
Paul W. Mauer '65
Robert A. Smith '67
Timothy R. Thornton '67

Colleen M. Connolly '71
Terrance M. Cullen '71
Steven M. Eskuri '71
Patrick G. Lynch '71
Michael J. Kuhl '72
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Francis G. Bonin '74
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Mark V. Curtis '78
Joseph R. Duerschler '78
Robert F. Nichols '80
Michael D. Duffy '81
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Thomas Dannion '82
John L. Woodward '83
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Sophomore guard Jo Jo Mitchell handles the ball and looks to score against St. Thomas Academy in a game the Raiders won 54-51 over the holiday break.

The Boys' Basketball team is 18-4 and sits alone at the top of the Suburban East conference at the time this went to print. The boys are ranked in the top 10 of 4A basketball teams in the state and have played one of the toughest schedules in the state. The young Raiders are poised to make another postseason run with a balanced attack and shut down defense.

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2022-2023 IMPACT REPORT



Cretin-Derham Hall



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“We want CDH to flourish.”

Two sisters value the generations of impact and give back

“Each generation that has attended Cretin, Derham Hall or CDH received a true gift of an education that positioned them for success after high school and provided a foundation for them to make a difference in the world.”

Nora Byrne Fitzpatrick and Katie Byrne Reeder '89 grew up in a large family of six girls who knew how much Catholic education and Cretin meant to their father, Philip B. Byrne '56, and their grandfather, Donald E. Byrne, Sr '34. All the girls attended Catholic high school. Four of the six Byrne girls attended Derham Hall and Cretin-Derham Hall.

As they walked down the hall of history at CDH, they found their dad's senior photo, as well as that of his best man and other groomsmen. The friends from his Cretin days stayed with him for a lifetime.

The Byrne women learned early on the importance of service to others and giving back to their communities. Their Dad lived by the mantra: “Gratitude changes everything.” He approached daily life by giving of his time, talent, and treasure to the communities, people, and places that were influential in his life, and more importantly, to marginalized people in our larger community.

“Our Dad would be proud to know the Byrne family has stayed connected to CDH — giving back and living the values of community, leadership, service, diversity, and equity.”

In their own families, the legacy continues. Between Katie and Nora, they have sent 11 children to CDH, marking a very robust fourth generation to attend this school.

A Big Small School

“We knew CDH was the best fit for our children because of the excellent academics, theater and arts, over 70 co-curricular activities and sports,” noted Katie. “There is

something for every student to participate in and feel like they belong to the CDH community in more ways than just the classroom."

They see these connections first hand. She proudly recited a long list of all the co-curriculars her children or nieces and nephews participated in: Knowledge Bowl, Student Council, Debate Speech, Mock Trial, Theater, Choir, Close Up (Washington DC), Costa Rica Justice Trip, People Finding People (PFP), JROTC, Empty Bowls, Ultimate Frisbee, and National Honor Society. Plus, between the two families, their students competed in soccer, swim and dive, gymnastics, cross country, football, basketball, baseball, lacrosse, track and field, and golf.

They saw first hand the way CDH offers individual students many paths to success, which is an important part of the mission of our school. "The diversity of opportunities meant there was something for each of our kids," noted Nora. "It wasn't just about participation, it offered such potential for leadership experience that has proved to be important at every stage of their lives past high school."

Nora calls CDH a "big small school" meaning it is big enough to provide many options and small enough that students could participate in all it offered. In addition to a range of academic levels to ensure each student is challenged, there was so much more their children gained on the road to being prepared for post-high school life.

Katie, who currently has a senior at CDH, agrees. "We love that the seniors have the opportunity for service learning in the community. The experiences provided eye-opening insights into the value of service to others."

As parents, they certainly value the role CDH played in their children's college and career successes. And, they appreciate how CDH fostered in their children the values that impact their lives long after graduation. They treasure the fact that their graduates are committed to making the world a better place. "And like their grandpa, this fourth generation has created life long friendships with classmates and fellow alumni that will continue to influence them over their lifetime."

We want CDH to flourish!

The two sisters take their own connection to CDH seriously and it shows in the way their families give back both their time and treasure. "We want CDH to flourish!"

Nora is currently serving on the Board of Directors. Katie '89 and her husband are Assistant Coaches for the CDH Girls Swim and Dive team. Both women volunteered through the Parents Association whenever possible. And both families have been generous in their support of the Annual Appeal on a consistent basis for nearly two decades.

They recognize that their volunteering and financial support of the school has varied over time due to their ability to contribute, but it has always been important to do what they can because all levels of giving and volunteering are valuable!

"We give back to help ensure that current and future CDH students receive the quality CDH educational experience that our children have received," explained Katie. "We want to pay it forward and encourage future generations to do the same."

Annual Giving is critical for access to a CDH education by providing needs-based tuition assistance to 66% of our families who may not be able to attend without it. Plus, our donors — alumni, parents, faculty/staff and more — truly ensure excellence in academics and co-curriculars that define the CDH student experience by directly closing the gap between the true cost to educate a student and the tuition cost. In short, annual giving is a lifeblood to excellence at CDH.

"Our students have significant opportunities that simply would not exist without the financial support of our donors like Nora and Katie, who understand first-hand the impact this funding has on the life-changing education our students receive," noted Mona Passman, Principal. "Our faculty and staff work hard and thanks to donors like Nora and Katie, they have the resources available to ensure our students thrive!"

Nora and husband John have seven children, all graduates of CDH. Nora's late husband Greg Fitzpatrick '80 and John's late wife, Karen Gergen Thuente '82 were also alums, which opens up even more CDH affiliations among extended family. Nora is the Associate Vice President for Finance and Budgeting at the University of St. Thomas and a current CDH Board of Director.

Katie Byrne Reeder '89 and husband David have four children, with three graduates of CDH and one current senior. Katie is currently a Swim and Dive Assistant Coach at CDH.



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Your generous gift ensures the continuation of our long tradition of innovative learning within a thriving community of faith and values.

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Our Generous Donors Enable CDH to Flourish

[Academics to Challenge Each Student]

166+
COURSES TO
CHOOSE FROM

17
AP COURSES

50
HONORS/
ACCELERATED
COURSES

8
DUAL-ENROLLMENT
COURSES
(High School and
College Credit)

11:1
STUDENT:TEACHER
RATIO

19
AVERAGE
CLASS SIZE

Academic



Equity

[Student Passions and Participation]

98%
OF STUDENTS
PARTICIPATE IN
ONE OR MORE
CO-CURRICULARS

93%
OF STUDENTS
PARTICIPATE IN
ONE OR MORE SPORT

CREATING COMMUNITY

“CDH has been one of the most welcoming places for me throughout all my years here. The community strives to create an environment that values everyone equally and allows for all to feel supported.

Whether it is academically, athletically, socially, or spiritually, CDH embraces everyone into this community.”

— ARIANA AWISZUS '24



Community



Service



LEARNING TO LEAD

“Student leadership roles at CDH have taught me strong communication skills. Through my roles in Student Council and leadership on my track team, I have learned to be open and honest, work with others, and how best to present myself and the activity I’m representing.”

— CLARE LASURE '25



Leadership

27

SPORTS

13

NO-CUT SPORTS

50%

INVOLVED IN FINE ARTS

70+

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

96

YEARS AS JROTC UNIT OF DISTINCTION

920

STUDENTS GRADES 9-12

123

DIFFERENT GRADE SCHOOLS REPRESENTED IN STUDENT BODY

Diversity



EMPOWERING STUDENTS

“CDH teachers bring our curriculum to life to both support and challenge students in many ways. Many teachers not only teach the information that is critical for students to learn but also teach how the information is used outside of the classroom and portrayed in the real world by using real-life examples and current events in order to connect the new topics... CDH teachers push students academically in order for us to strive and think critically, which not only challenges students but also supports us to think creatively.”

— YOHANNES BALEMA '24



[Post Grad Opportunities]

100%

STUDENTS ACCEPTED IN COLLEGE OF CHOICE

26

STUDENTS ATTENDING HIGHLY SELECTIVE COLLEGES

88%

CHOOSE COLLEGE

12%

CHOSE MILITARY, GAP YEAR, ATHLETIC OR WORK OPPORTUNITIES

Catholic

Cretin-Derham Hall Financial Overview

As a school, we strive to build a community based on our values, focused on our mission and preserving our vision. We rely on donor gifts to ensure that the legacy and the leadership of our founders, the Christian Brothers and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, is alive and well within our beloved community of Cretin-Derham Hall.

It cannot be overstated: The impact of donor dollars directly funds the excellence in academics and co-curriculars, provides significant tuition assistance to families, and positions the school for strength now and into the future.

Our generous donors enable CDH to flourish!



OUR MISSION

Cretin-Derham Hall is a Catholic co-educational high school, co-sponsored by the Brothers of the Christian Schools and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, committed to Christian values and academic excellence in grades nine through twelve. We will educate young men and women of diverse abilities, cultures, and socioeconomic backgrounds for post-secondary education and life.

DONORS DECREASE TUITION FOR EVERY STUDENT

TOTAL COST TO EDUCATE

\$19,525



CDH TUITION
\$16,105

GAP COVERED
BY DONORS
\$3,420

ADDITIONAL TUITION ASSISTANCE

\$3.1
MILLION
AWARDED
IN TUITION
ASSISTANCE

3 MERIT SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAMS:
– Academic
– Faith, Service, Leadership
– JROTC

66%
OF ALL FAMILIES
RECEIVE TUITION
ASSISTANCE

\$7,100
AVERAGE
TUITION
GRANT

Change Lives!

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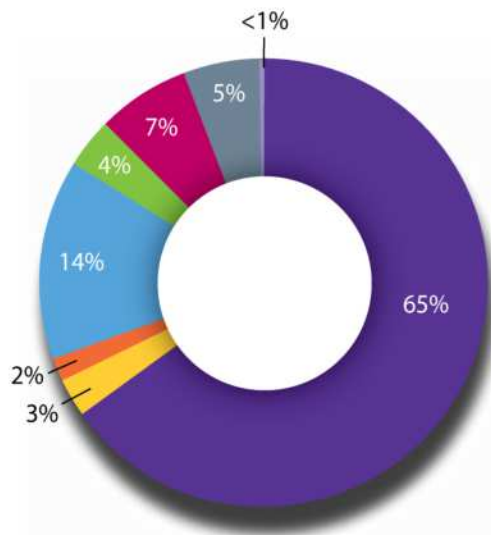
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2022–2023 Financial Highlights

CDH is committed to being good stewards of each donor dollar.

- CDH cost of fundraising is low.
- Our strong endowment will ensure a strong funding source for immediate and long-term needs.
- The impact on our students is high: lower tuition for all, critical tuition assistance, investment in campus improvements and programmatic resources, and long-term financial stability.



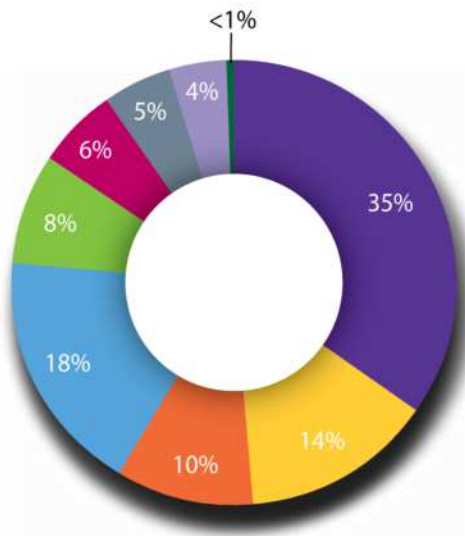
SOURCES OF FUNDS

■ Tuition	\$ 14,119,165
■ Student Activities.....	598,871
■ Other Services.....	354,481

Advancement:

■ Annual Appeal	3,095,240
■ Contributions to Endowment	801,484
■ Transfer from Endowment for Tuition Assistance	1,470,000
■ Contributions for Capital Improvements	1,152,264
■ Event Revenue	59,236

TOTAL..... \$21,650,741



USES OF FUNDS

■ Instructional.....	\$ 7,478,170
■ Tuition Assistance/ Merit Scholarships	3,042,578
■ Student Activities.....	2,206,544
■ General & Administrative.....	3,899,144
■ Maintenance	1,832,910
■ Advancement	1,282,357
■ Debt Reduction and Interest	985,586
■ Transfer to Endowment	801,484
■ Transfer to Capital Improvements and to Tuition Assistance Fund for Future Use.....	121,968

TOTAL..... \$21,650,741

Dear CDH Community,

It is my distinct honor to serve this community as Interim President. Our family has known, loved and supported this school on many levels over the past decade. This year, I have been blessed with an inside view of this excellent school which has re-ignited in me an even greater appreciation for the people who ensure that a CDH experience is a guiding light in the hearts, minds, and souls of our students.

Our teachers and coaches not only teach, but also guide, challenge, and support our students with such dedication. Our benefactors truly give from their heart in order to ensure that the students and families today have a truly transformative experience during these critical four years and beyond. Our school community supports our mission, financially and prayerfully...and for that I am deeply grateful.

We are humbled by this generous spirit. We treasure our partnership with our donors to impact the lives of our students while they are here at CDH and as they go forth to lead our community in remarkable ways.

Finally, please join me in my excitement for Jeb Myers to become our next president on June 1. With his leadership, our future is bright and I look forward to the innovative and mission-driven ways CDH will continue our 153-year tradition of excellence.

Go Raiders!

Live Jesus in our hearts. Forever.

Teri McCloughan
Interim President



THE 2022-23 ANNUAL REPORT IS AVAILABLE IN DIGITAL FORMAT

You are encouraged to spend a few minutes with the online Annual Report which highlights the unparalleled generosity of our benefactors who generously support Cretin-Derham Hall because they believe in the transformational impact of a CDH education in the lives of our students.



On the cover // Several of our students joined the Class of 2023 Valedictorian Greta Cunningham in the Lentsch Forum. (Left to right) Liedea Zerihan '26, Thomas Graves '24, Greta Cunningham '23, Conor Macke '26, Sophia Nieters '27.

On behalf of the students of Cretin-Derham Hall, we *thank our donors* for your support.

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