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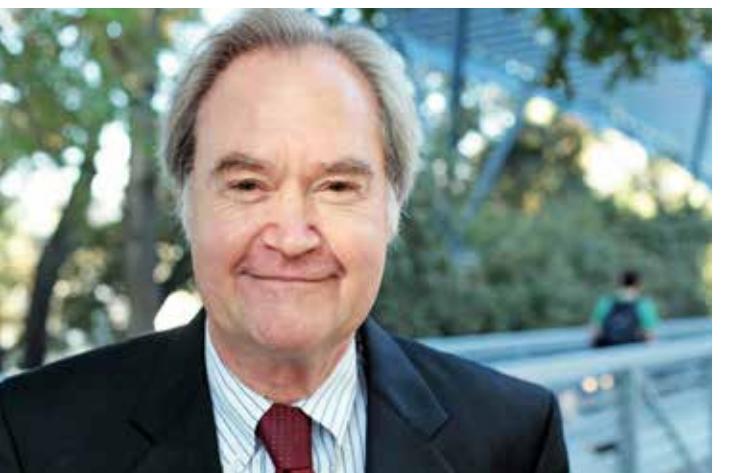
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Students walk through the newly remodeled atrium.

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From the Headmaster



**It goes on, I see,
As my soul prompts it.**
— *The Tempest*, Act I

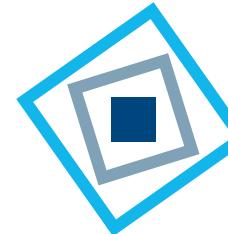
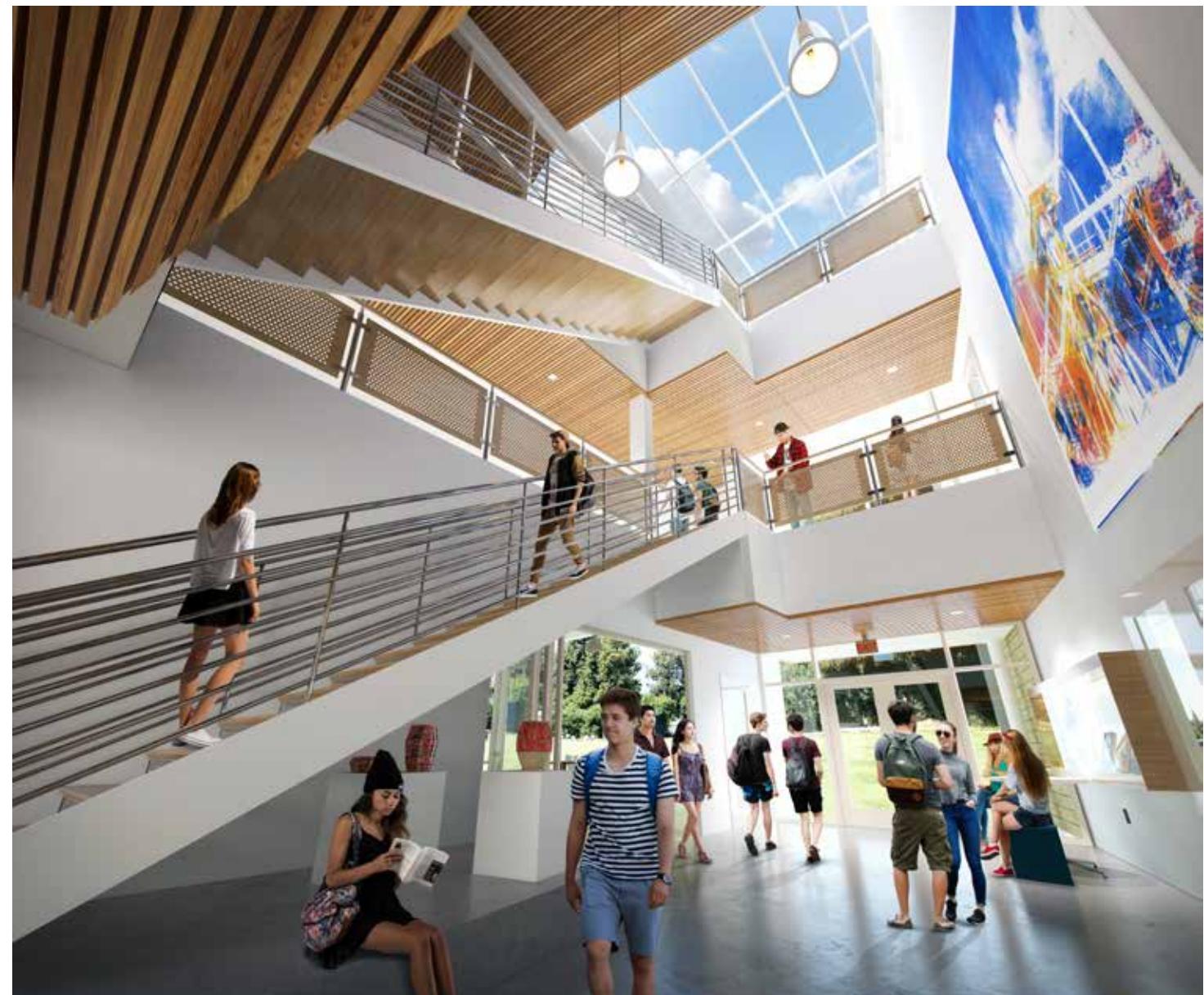
In Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, the magician, Prospero, is clear about the possibilities—and the limits—of his magic. He can use supernatural powers to create conditions and bring people together—in this case his daughter and a desirable suitor. For multiple reasons, he yearns for their marriage. Therefore, he brings them into the same space. But he cannot dictate their feelings for one another. He can prompt them, but finally he must leave the young people to live their own lives.

All of us who have taught, coached and directed know that we can pitch, but it's up to the students to catch. Once the game, play or mock trial begins, we can only prompt. We can whisper from the curtain or even shout from the sidelines, but finally we must turn agency over to the student.

Increasingly, Flintridge Prep's teaching and learning environment is less about lecturers filling empty vessels with content and more about adult prompters and student actors. Seventh graders have become museum curators. Drama students are responsible for interpreting their own characters. Coaches accept input from athletes, while mock trials are student-run. With the opening of a new building, students will find new spaces in which to conduct intellectual scavenger hunts across disciplines, initiatives and stairwells. Students increasingly teach, while the prompters, like Prospero himself, increasingly learn.

By the end of *The Tempest*, Prospero voluntarily "drowns his book," surrendering his magic as he realizes it to be an artificial form of authority. Real power, he understands as he submits to the approval or disapproval of his audience, comes from mutual trust and respect. And so should all teaching and learning.

— Peter Bachmann, Headmaster



Phase II: Building for the Future

ENRICH INSPIRE IGNITE!

THE CAMPAIGN FOR FLINTRIDGE PREP

CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED: BUILDING TO BE NAMED FOR PETER BACHMANN

On February 8, 2019, the Board of Trustees announced that Prep's most ambitious project to date, a three-story building that completes the 2014 campus Master Plan, will be named the Bachmann Collaboration Building in honor of Peter Bachmann's visionary years as headmaster. No other building on campus is named for a headmaster. Bachmann's tenure spans nearly 40 years, including those served as Prep's seventh headmaster since 1991.

Scheduled to open in 2020, the year of Bachmann's retirement after nearly 40 years at Prep, the Bachmann Collaboration Building will feature labs, classrooms and a makerspace to house STEAM, Global Studies and Leadership programs, supporting Prep's next generation of students as they become bold, engaged and collaborative thinkers.



Phase II: Building for the Future

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PREP LAUNCHES PHASE II OF *ENRICH, INSPIRE, IGNITE!* CAMPAIGN



OVER 150 OF PREP'S MOST GENEROUS SUPPORTERS attended the 2019 Headmaster's Council dinner just two weeks after Peter Bachmann announced his June 2020 retirement as headmaster. A spontaneous standing ovation greeted the news that the Board of Trustees had unanimously voted to name the building the Bachmann Collaboration Building in honor of his decades of service.

As Board Chair David Codiga said, "Peter Bachmann is the literal embodiment of Prep for Life...and his people-first philosophy comes to life every day at Prep...When the board contemplated how to honor Peter's 40-year legacy, and the transformation he's led at our school, the answer was simple—honor his vision by ensuring that the Bachmann Collaboration Building will be completed in 2020."

Since 2011, Bachmann has shepherded the campus Master Plan, ticking through a list of significant programmatic and facilities upgrades. His goal is to complete Prep's final building project before his retirement, so that the Master Plan will be complete for his successor.

Codiga noted that Phase I of the comprehensive *Enrich, Inspire, Ignite!* campaign, from 2011-2016, raised \$18 million in Annual Fund, endowment and capital improvement funds. Since 2016, the school has quietly raised nearly \$15 million in Phase II to support the recently completed atrium project, new field lights, Annual Fund, endowment and the Bachmann Collaboration Building.



The school's most generous donors celebrate Peter Bachmann at the Headmaster's Council dinner.

ENRICH, INSPIRE, IGNITE!

\$18 million raised

2011–2016

Campaign Phase 1

\$15 million raised

2016–2019

Campaign Phase 2

2019–2020
\$4–5 million
for the
Bachmann
Collaboration
Building

All told, \$33 million has been raised over seven years. Codiga introduced the chairs of Phase II (see article page 12) who will be leading the effort to raise \$4 to \$5 million still needed to complete the Bachmann Collaboration Building; these funds are in addition to the \$1.5 million the Annual Fund must raise each year.

As Codiga remarked, "Peter is a legend. He's our legend. There is no better way to honor Peter than to name the building after him."

MASTER PLAN UPDATE: WE DID IT!

We're proud to announce the completion of two out of three of Prep's Master Plan projects. Field lights were completed in the early fall of 2018, and the Prep atrium was open for use in January 2019, as the second semester began. The third pillar of the Master Plan is the completion of the Bachmann Collaboration Building in 2020. Funding for this project will be the focus of Phase II of the *Enrich, Inspire, Ignite!* campaign, announced in February.

New Field Lights Are a Game Changer

In August 2018, new athletic field lights made their debut in time for the first football game. In addition to being appreciated by student athletes during evening practices and games, the eight 60-foot lights have been beacons to the Prep community throughout the year. The state-of-the-art lighting provides just the right illumination, minimizing glare and extending the field as a venue for events. At the Family BBQ, kids played cornhole and soccer well into the evening. Improved visibility at Homecoming gave the game a new level of festive flair.



Quiet Cloister and Lively Crossroads

As the community returned to campus after Winter Break, they welcomed the completion of the newly renovated atrium space. The project's conclusion couldn't have come at a better time—with cold and rainy weather, the atrium did exactly what it was designed to do, providing shelter at lunch, expanding learning and gathering space and acting as a venue for events.

"I met students for lunch in the atrium. They immediately sought out the cozy nook toward the front window looking out to the plaza and to Crown Avenue. They had strewn pillows around and brought in food. We had a Utopian Club meeting of about 12 of us—in a utopian setting," says Peter Bachmann of one of his first days in the popular new space.

All windows are east- and south-facing; their prismatic facets create a jewel-like quality throughout the day. At night, pendant lights make the space a warm and inviting venue for special events.

Master Plan Checklist

Two of the three Master Plan projects are complete. We can now turn our attention to ensuring the completion of the Bachmann Collaboration Building.

1. ATRIUM PROJECT

A transformation of the space outside our auditorium



2. PERMANENT ATHLETIC FIELD LIGHTING

Friday Night Lights,
field enhancements and
landscaping



3. BACHMANN COLLABORATION BUILDING

A three-story building that
will house our innovative
interdisciplinary programs



HONORING PHASE I DONORS

In February, at an intimate gathering in the atrium, Peter Bachmann thanked guests as he unveiled the permanent plaque in gratitude of donors to Phase I of the *Enrich, Inspire, Ignite!* campaign. This permanent donor wall will include the names of Phase II donors, as well.

Bachmann also took the opportunity to express gratitude to those who made the new atrium possible, including the Webster, Swaidan and Codiga families, The Ahmanson Foundation and the 2017 Flintridge Fever Benefit, which was hosted by the Parents Association and raised \$388,000 for the project.



Science Building Named in Honor of Webster Family



As students retreated from campus to enjoy their winter holidays, the final touch on the atrium remodel was completed: the name Helen and Will Webster Family Science Center was added to the side of the previously unnamed structure that houses four science labs.

Naming this complex acknowledges contributions from the Helen and Will Webster Family Foundation since 2013 for campus refurbishment and infrastructure improvements.

Says Trustee Rich Webster, "The Webster family is very proud to have supported the renovation of the science classrooms and the recent atrium project. As an engineer and inventor, my father was a pioneer in the medical device field, where millions of lives have been saved or dramatically improved. He firmly believed, as I do, that science is an important cornerstone of a student's education, and that an investment in science is an investment in the advancement of humanity. Both he and my mother would be proud to see the Helen and Will Webster Family Science Center name adorn the building."



VISION 2020: THREE TRUSTEE FAMILIES CHALLENGE THE COMMUNITY

"We wanted to get together and support Peter and have this be dramatic," says Trustee Mike Gitlin. "This is not just a regular campaign, but an opportunity to honor Peter's 40 years at Flintridge Prep."

To that end, three trustees have created a \$1.5 million Trustee Challenge to help build the Bachmann Collaboration Building in 2020. The Trustee Challenge provides the Prep community with a historic opportunity to make a special gift in honor of Peter Bachmann—and see it doubled!

Any new gifts and pledges made after April 1, 2019, in honor of Peter Bachmann and directed to the Bachmann Collaboration Building will be matched, up to a total of \$1.5 million. In order to qualify for the match, donors must first make a gift at any time during the fiscal year, which runs July 1 through June 30. After making an initial Annual Fund gift, you can make multiple incremental gifts to the building and have them matched.

Trustee Jeff Crawford '86 has had a catbird seat at Prep to witness Bachmann's effect on the school; they started at Prep at about the same time. "Peter has done an absolutely fabulous job with the school over all these years. We're so proud of what he's done for Prep, and we're here to recognize his achievements and his retirement," he says.

His fellow trustee, Rich Webster, agrees. "Peter is a visionary, developing Prep into one of the top schools in America, while at the same time making it a very community-oriented place."

Three categories of the Prep community (alumni, current parents and past parents) are included in the match. National Campaign Co-Chairs Crawford and his wife, Orsi, are joining Gitlin and his wife, Kris Anne, and Webster and his wife, Kim Kenne.



Jeff Crawford '86, Orsi Crawford, Rich Webster, Kim Kenne, Kris Anne Gitlin, Mike Gitlin

Each couple will match gifts, up to a total of \$500,000, in specific donor categories. The Crawfords will match gifts from alumni, the Gitlins will match gifts from current parents and Kenne and Webster will match gifts from parents of alumni.

"Peter's leadership and vision are unparalleled. And it's just amazing how far he has taken Prep, to be one of the top independent schools in the country," says Orsi. Explains Kris Anne, "We were motivated by gratitude. We're so fortunate to have sent our children to this wonderful school.

We're all grateful for the education they're getting and the experiences they're having. It's changed our lives and changed their lives, and our children are better people for having had the opportunity to be at Prep."

"Peter has always expressed a vision of Prep that isn't just about academic achievement, isn't just about athletic achievement, but really is about a community, about a family atmosphere," says Kenne. "And I

know our kids still keep in touch with their friends from Prep, even as they've gone to college and beyond college, and so they still have that feeling."

"I urge people to support this project, because the building itself is going to be a very symbolic cornerstone of the 21st century at Prep," says Webster.

"For all the alumni out there, if you were ever going to give to Flintridge Prep, this is the perfect time to give back to the school to thank Peter for all of his years of service. An opportunity to make a gift like this comes once in a lifetime," says Crawford. "This is the time to make an extraordinary gift in honor of an extraordinary leader. He's taken the school to the next level. We want to put Peter's name on the Collaboration Building so that future generations can see it."

The Trustee Challenge: Turn \$1.5M into \$3M!

Alumni, current parents and parents of alumni are being challenged to donate gifts to the Bachmann Collaboration Building, and our campaign co-chairs will match up to a total of \$1,500,000 of their gifts as follows:

ALUMNI CHALLENGE

Up to \$500,000 will be matched by Orsi and Jeff Crawford '86 (parents of Jack '20 and C.J.)

CURRENT PARENT CHALLENGE

Up to \$500,000 will be matched by Kris Anne and Mike Gitlin (parents of Max '20, Sophie '18 and Wyatt '16)

PARENTS OF ALUMNI CHALLENGE

Up to \$500,000 will be matched by Kim Kenne and Rich Webster (parents of Abby '17 and Will '14)

THE RULES

- The challenge match runs from April 1, 2019, through June 2020.
- To qualify for the challenge match, you must have already made a gift to the Annual Fund during the fiscal year (July 1 through June 30).
- You must designate an additional gift towards the Bachmann Collaboration Building, which will be matched.
- Your gift will receive a single one-for-one match in one challenge category, determined as follows:
 - Gifts from alumni will be counted in the Alumni Challenge.
 - Gifts from non-alumni Prep parents with a child currently attending Prep will be counted in the Current Parent Challenge.
 - Gifts from non-alumni Prep parents with no children currently attending Prep will be counted in the Parents of Alumni Challenge.
- You may make multiple gifts throughout the challenge that will be matched according to the above rules!

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www.campaignforprep.org/challenge

ANY MORE QUESTIONS? Visit www.campaignforprep.org/challenge or call Donna Merchant, Director of the Annual Fund, 818.949.5525



Proposed makerspace design for the Bachmann Collaboration Building

BACHMANN ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT



On January 17, 2019, when Peter Bachmann announced he would retire as Prep's Headmaster as of June 30, 2020, the moment was as deliberate and thoughtful, as warm and reassuring, as any other speech or decision in his tenure. Bachmann spoke of the process that led up to his decision, the careful way the Board of Trustees had considered his transition, beginning as far back as 2014, and his deep, long-standing ties to the community that will not—cannot—be erased by retirement.

Bachmann noted that he will transition to the role of Head Emeritus at the end of his term as Head. He first told his colleagues (nearly all of whom he had hired) in a regular afternoon faculty meeting. There were smiles, a few tears, a standing ovation and, at the traditional post-meeting library happy hour, a toast. His announcement was not unexpected, but it was extremely bittersweet for everyone, from the retired teachers in the room to the newest faculty members.

Madeline Barracough, Prep's front office manager, started working at Prep in 1991, when Bachmann was appointed Headmaster. "He's become so amazing...we have all grown up together, but he's the elder statesman,"

she said. "We've become a true family here under Peter's leadership. This is a place of learning and tradition, yet we're always doing something new and different. Peter has kept Prep moving forward."

Michael Roffina, Director of Human Development, remarked, "The wonderful thing about Peter Bachmann's leadership is that he's prepared us for this in really lovely ways—through his interest in collaborative work, in empowering others, in truly listening. At the center of this is the kids we teach, and our job as a faculty is to continue to come here ready to give our best every day, like we always have, like Peter does. We're in good hands; he wouldn't have it any other way."

"I respect Peter's desire to sit down and eat lunch with the faculty on the patio, I respect his rapport with the students, and I really respect that he stays until the very end of every faculty happy hour, talking books, travel and life!" says English teacher and 8th Grade Dean Megan Burton. "He's always game for anything; in fact, I just watched him dress up as Doc Brown and pose with a DeLorean to shoot a video with students. Peter gets a lot of pleasure out of our love of Prep, and that feeling is contagious."

"Not to take anything away from

the winners of the annual Mr. Flintridge Prep contest," said English teacher Mark Salzman, "But I think we all know who the real Mr. Flintridge Prep is. Have we been lucky, or what? How often does this happen—such a perfect alignment of one person's gifts and strengths with a set of circumstances and opportunities, and with such delightful results?

"In his books, *Standing on Shoulders* and *Advancing Confidently*, Peter uses quotes from student essays, classroom comments and interviews to tell Prep's story. I doubt he had this in mind when he chose those titles, but they also tell the story of how the school will respond to his retirement: Prep will be standing on his shoulders, but will also be advancing confidently. That's the legacy a real leader wants. I ask again: have we been lucky, or what?"

An email from Bachmann to Board Chair David Codiga, and Codiga's response, went to the whole Prep community the evening after the announcement to the faculty.

Bachmann wrote, "As a charter member of 'Prep for Life,' I will, of course, remain tied to the community, particularly with alumni and their parents. As Head Emeritus, I will serve

and support the school, board and my successor in all ways appropriate... But I'm getting ahead of myself. We still have a lot of work to do together in the next 18 months, and I plan on savoring every moment."

Codiga's letter continued, "Peter will not be an easy act to follow. We are so grateful...for his leadership over the past decades, but in particular, for the way he leads, with compassion and inclusion, both strategic and mission-focused, always with humility and kindness. Peter has helped to make all of us better listeners, better students, better educators and a better Prep community."

Bachmann spoke to students at the Friday Morning Meeting, reminding the junior class that he'll be "graduating" with them in 2020.

Shant Armenian '20, who will graduate with Bachmann and whose sister, Sareen '22, will graduate with the new Head of School, was sentimental in his assessment. His mother, Christine Stepanian Armenian '91, graduated with Edor Anderson the year that it was announced that Bachmann would be the new headmaster.

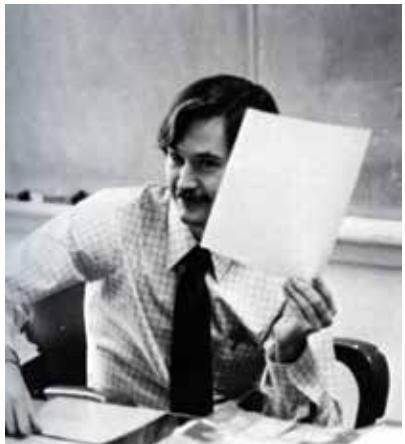
"We students all know we have Mr. Bachmann's backing and his interest," Shant said. "That seeps down

"We still have a lot of work to do in the next 18 months, and I plan on savoring every moment."

— Peter Bachmann

to us, so we step up and try to excel. There's this idea that we are a community, and he makes us feel that by actually putting it to work.

"For our family, it's kind of full circle. My mom was emotional about Mr. Bachmann's retirement—we all talked about it at dinner and felt it will be the end of a chapter. As a family, we've really appreciated what he's done for the school and for us. Even outside Prep, people understand he's a great leader; they hear he's made a great school from both students and parents. I hope that the next head of Prep will be as personal, involved and authentic as Mr. Bachmann—someone who shows through actions that they care about students."



HEAD SEARCH

Q&A with Kris Leslie, Vice Chair of the Board, Chair of the Head of School Search Committee

Kris Leslie is Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees and Chair of the Head of School Search Committee. She previously served as Chair of the Flintridge Prep Board from 2012 to 2014, and was a co-chair of Phase I of the capital campaign. Leslie served as CFO of DreamWorks Animation SKG from 2004 to 2007, prior to which she oversaw the company's strategic planning, finance functions, banking and investor relations. Since retiring from DreamWorks, Leslie has served on a variety of boards, including Blue Shield of California, Citizens Business Bank, Orbitz and Glassdoor. She also served on the Board of Saint Mark's School (2000–2008). She and her husband, Reid, are the parents of three Prep alumni, Ryan '11, Michael '13 and Robbie '16.

PrepTalk: What would you like the community to know about the search for a new Head of School?

KL: Transition planning began over four years ago, under Mohan Chandramohan's leadership of the Board; the Board has worked closely with Peter and studied transitions at other independent schools. Peter is an extraordinary leader, and the school is the strongest it's ever been as a result. We're taking our lead from Peter's example and putting school culture at the heart of every decision.

The Board has retained Carney Sandoe & Associates (CSA), a leading national search and consulting firm for independent schools, to oversee the search process. CSA has helped Prep hire many teachers in the last few years. We are thrilled with our CSA team of Bob Fricker and Jennifer Wong Christensen. Bob is the

Practice Leader for CSA's Domestic Head of School Search and has conducted more than 110 head searches across the US. Jennifer is a former South Pasadena resident and spent two decades in college counseling and admissions.

We are committed to finding a leader who both embraces what is best in the Prep culture and possesses the tools and vision needed to guide us forward in our next chapter.

PT: Can you tell us more about the Search Committee?

KL: The committee consists of six current trustees, all of whom are either current or past Prep parents. One of our current parents is also an alum from the Class of 1985. Each of these trustees has demonstrated leadership and a deep commitment to Flintridge Prep. Three of us are serving as trustees for the second time, and as a group we possess deep board and governance experience beyond our roles at Prep. The work of a Search Committee is intense and extremely time consuming, so selecting trustees who were in a position to devote the time needed was also taken into consideration. The committee members are listed on the website.

PT: How does the search process work?

KL: The process has already begun. CSA spent several months studying Prep, culminating in a three-day site visit in early February, during which they had a chance to meet with faculty, staff, parents, former trustees and alumni. They conducted a survey, which the whole community received in February. The goal of this effort was to help CSA understand what is special about Flintridge Prep, what our opportunities and challenges will be going forward and, therefore, what qualities and skills will be important for our next Head of School. Using this information, CSA created a position description, which is posted on the school website.

For the next several months, the process will remain confidential to protect interested candidates who are likely in leadership positions at their current institutions. We expect that in the fall we will bring two or three finalists to campus to meet the Prep community and complete the interview process. In addition to opportunities to engage across all key community constituencies, at that time we will assemble an Interview Panel, which will be made up of faculty, staff, parents and alumni. This panel will interview

each of the finalists and provide feedback to the Committee. The Committee will recommend a candidate to the full Board of Trustees and it is our expectation that we will be able to announce our next Head of School before Thanksgiving 2019.

Between now and the summer of 2020, Prep has a lot to accomplish, including successfully completing our recently announced campaign and the Bachmann Collaboration Building. Nobody is more energized and driven to accomplish our ambitious goals than Peter. Don't expect him to slow down—Peter has a lot of work still left to do!

PT: If community members have questions about the process, thoughts on potential candidates or input beyond the survey, who should they contact?

KL: Anyone with questions or input can email me at headsearch@flintridgeprep.org. For information about the search, visit www.flintridgeprep.org/head-search. Direct queries about the position to Bob Fricker (bob.fricker@carneysandoe.com) and Jennifer Christensen (jennifer.christensen@carneysandoe.com).

PT: Do you have any other information you'd like to share with us about the search process?

KL: I'd like to thank the entire Prep community for their invaluable input thus far in the search process and encourage everybody to continue to reach out with questions and thoughts in the coming months. Though a bit uncertain, this is an incredibly exciting time for Prep, as we both honor Peter Bachmann and look ahead to the future.

PT: What happens after we choose a new head?

KL: We have already begun to look at the transition to support the new Head. For the last several years, a Transition Committee, currently chaired by trustee Carol Ramsey, who has extensive experience in independent school governance and management, has been leading our efforts and plans to prepare for the search and ultimate transition. To date, this committee has been made up primarily of current and past trustees and Board Chairs with deep institutional knowledge. As we get closer to the actual transition phase, when the tasks and responsibilities shift, we expect to broaden this group to include additional members of the community.

Head of School Search Timeline



TAKE NOTE

New Chairman of the Board of Trustees

David J. Codiga, parent of Jackson '15, Hope '19 and Sasha '19, will lead the Board of Trustees as Chair through the 2020 academic year. Codiga is a project development executive with diverse experience in the themed entertainment, casino, live entertainment and software industries. Currently, through The Codiga Company, he leads project development for the clubs & theaters division of Live Nation LYV (NYSE). Previously, he headed theme park development for DreamWorks Animation, worked for Caesars Entertainment, led the development of Las Vegas' LINQ center and the High Roller and led global development for Universal Studios as president of Universal Creative. Codiga joined Prep's board in 2014; he and his wife, Susan, live in Pasadena.



Cristina Perez Gonzalez '86, Dan Murray, Denise White, Harry Tsao

New Trustees

Cristina Perez Gonzalez '86 is a graduate of UCLA, has her JD and is a partner with Leech Tishman in Pasadena. She is a lawyer, three-time Emmy Award-winning television personality, radio host, speaker, entrepreneur, author and columnist. Gonzalez focuses her practice on business, entertainment, family law and immigration. She is an active member of several national legal organizations, including the American Immigration Lawyer's Association, where she served as the chair of the Southern California chapter and was on the national Board of Governors. She and her husband, Chris, live in Glendale and are parents of Sofia '21.



Dan Murray is a graduate of Penn State and has an MBA from Northwestern University. He has worked in finance and mergers since 1991 for Quaker Oats, Yahoo/Overture, Academy123, Comcast/Fandango, Machinima and, most recently, as CFO of Dollar Shave Club. Murray is an active community volunteer, most recently for Prep's Fathers Club, TreePeople, the Penn State and Northwestern alumni organizations, as well as Josephinum Academy in Chicago, where he served on the board and the development committee. Dan and

his wife, Yue, live in Pasadena and are parents of Loran '21.

Denise White earned a human biology degree from Stanford and worked in a community health clinic in Palo Alto. After receiving a master's in healthcare administration from the University of Minnesota, White re-joined Maxicare Health Plans in Southern California to focus on Medi-Cal Managed Care and public health issues. She met her husband, Joe, at Maxicare; they have been married for 19 years and live in Altadena. White is now a stay-at-home mom to daughters Gloria '19 and Ellen '22 and volunteers on campus to deepen her engagement in the Prep community.

Harry Tsao is a graduate of USC and holds an MBA from the University of Cambridge. He started his career at GoTo.com, built two Inc.-500 companies and has had multiple successful exits. He has invested in over 50 businesses and is a part owner of the Golden State Warriors, LAFC and aXiomatic, an eSports venture. Tsao founded Avista Investments in 2009, focusing on investing in startup and growth stages in internet, sports, disruptive food technology and blockchain tech. Tsao and his wife, Carol Chen, live in Arcadia and are parents of twins William '21 and Kate '21 and daughter Kelly '24.

Returning Trustees

Jim Notley '88 is an alumnus of Prep and the University of California, Santa Barbara. Professionally, Jim works in real estate and runs his own real estate company that focuses on the management, development and ownership of investment real estate. Through the Notley Foundation, Jim and his wife, Sherri, and their family have been funding annual Notley Scholarships at Prep. The Foundation is currently supporting its 14th Prep scholar. Notley and his wife live in Pasadena and have two daughters, Jamie-Lynn '22 and Ashlee '24. Jim previously served two terms on Prep's Board of Trustees (1999–2005).

John W. Wong, Jr. '85 is a graduate of USC and has been in real estate and hospitality for over 30 years. In 2004, he founded HFS Concepts 4 (HFS C4), which provides architecture, interior design, purchasing, sourcing, construction and project management services. Currently an HFS board member, he also served as CEO, overseeing its development into one of the nation's largest hospitality interior design-build firms. Prior to HFS C4, Wong owned and operated hotels in Southern California. He has served on several nonprofit boards, including Prep's (2007–2013). He and his wife, Adriana, live in La Cañada and are parents of Ethan '21.

JPD Delights with "Late Night"

In one of Prep's most longstanding and beloved traditions, the Class of 2020 treated their parents to an evening of entertainment on November 17. The night kicked off with dinner served to parents by the junior class followed by a "Late Night"-themed show. Junior emcees Charlie McCormick and Kevin Ashworth led the way, introducing acts throughout the show and including their own bits in between. The 19 acts of the evening ranged from dances to lip sync, standup comedy to a cappella. Highlights included a group dance to "We're All in This Together" from *High School Musical* and a group lip sync battle.



Prep Welcomes Six New Faculty and Staff Members to Campus



Madeline Martin, Claire LaPolt, Abel Fuentes

New Faculty

An admirer of small class sizes, flexible curriculum design and a tight-knit community, history teacher **Abel Fuentes** settled in quickly at Prep. Having already woven himself into the fabric of the school, he has participated in the 9th grade trip, opened his classroom to the FLINT Leadership Development training program, advised and moderated the Economics Club, served on the admissions committee and co-coached the Mock Trial team (who made it to the semifinals in their inaugural year). Such a list might seem overwhelming, but Fuentes notes, "I was provided with ample opportunities to get involved in school life and pursue passion projects," he says. "Prep does a great job of making sure faculty feel supported and empowered." The kind, generous, high-caliber and curious students make it all the better, he adds. Fuentes received his BA in history from USC and MA in history from the University of Minnesota. When he isn't on campus, you might find him hiking, camping or whitewater rafting.

New librarian **Claire LaPolt** is no stranger to Prep. An alumna of Glendale High, she recalls attending the occasional show in Norris, thanks to a few friends who attended Prep. After

earning a BA in classical languages from Berkeley and an MLIS from UCLA, she spent five years as an independent school librarian in LA. Today, she's glad she made the move from the Westside to Pasadena. "I like that we have a strong culture of collaboration here, so it's easy to get involved," she says. And get involved she has. She's already a faculty advisor for Anime Club, the Library Design Committee and SAGA, the Sexuality and Gender Acceptance Alliance. "Prep's atmosphere is warm—and busy in a fun way. There's always something going on." When she isn't in the library, reading for fun or chatting to someone about their recent favorite reads, you can bet she's either spending time with her mini poodle, Muppet, or cross-stitching.

A New England native and graduate of Brown University, math teacher **Madeline Martin** has had a lot to get used to in LA. That said, she's already found quite a home for herself on campus. "I really loved the environment at Prep when I came to visit," she says. "It felt extremely welcoming, and I saw myself becoming a part of the community." Pointing to the kindness, curiosity and passion of her students, she finds herself getting to know them and working with them more closely than in previous teaching positions she has held. "It's an amazing community, characterized by the amazing amount of

respect and care everyone has for each other." On campus, Martin enjoys using resources like the laser cutter and 3D printer, running the middle school math club, which has participated in several competitions already, and helping French teacher Lauren Van Arsdall with the National French Honor Society. Outside, she enjoys indoor rock climbing, hiking, reading and brushing up on her French by watching French TV shows.

New Staff

This fall, Prep's IT department welcomed **Simon Hershey** as its Technology Support Specialist. Before Prep, he

attended Occidental College, where he majored in math, minored in French and Chinese and worked in the IT department. He enjoys working in tech in a school setting for its balance between technological and face-to-face communication. In his free time, he takes voice lessons and sings in local choirs.

You have Events Coordinator **Susanna Kwan** to thank for several successful campus events already this year. After working as a manager at Dream Dinners for 11 years, the Montreal native jumped head-first into the Prep community. She especially loves Prep's generous parent volunteers and the kind and collaborative environment, she says. When she isn't running around campus, you can find her cooking for friends, traveling, watching anime or getting to the next level in Candy Crush.

Erin McDonnell '09 joined Prep in the fall as Assistant Librarian. After graduating from Clemson University with a BA in Theatre and a minor in Creative Writing, she spent time as a private writing tutor and substitute teacher at Prep. She loves the library for her ability to connect with the community on a daily basis, the flexibility of the library spaces and relying on her theatre experience to collaborate with students on JPD.

Supporting a Healthy Adolescence

THE 2018 COMMUNITY SPEAKER SERIES began with two talks about navigating teen development.

Tackling tough topics such as ways modern technology influences teens' perceptions of sexuality, and ways teens can build up their resilience despite the increasing demands upon them, both discussions provided insights and ideas about navigating the at times rough waters of adolescence.

Hosted by the Parents Association and Fathers Club, the 4th annual series kicked off with a mid-October talk by health educator Vanessa Kellam entitled TechSex: Navigating the New World of Technology and Teen Sexuality.

The presentation by Kellam, the parent engagement coordinator for the Bay Area's Health Connected, began by asking parents to reflect upon their own adolescence, asking themselves what they would change, to analyze their own decision making and to think about their kids' technology use. Starting the talk with a sympathetic approach helped provide the parents a lens through which to view their children's actions and perceptions.

Kellam urged families to adopt values-driven rules about technology, giving them a foundation to discover what motivates their own kids. Citing teens' strong desires to find connection

and to belong, she helped demystify how modern kids are connecting to technology and, by extension, to the ways they encounter sexuality in the media.

The takeaway? Parents should do what they can to facilitate open and authentic discussion with the goal of getting to know their child. They should listen, not judge, and draw upon empathy to know what their kids are feeling.

Kellam's talk was followed by the second speaker of the year, Peter Bachmann. After years of research about adolescent development and the ways young people view and measure success, Bachmann approached the talk as a student and teacher, rather than the school's headmaster.

The resulting presentation was a peek into a typical Bachmann Great Books lecture, one where as many questions are raised as are answered and where Tolstoy rubs noses with Carol Dweck.

Bachmann's expansive talk covered how a family together can navigate adolescence, with ideas like demonstrating grit to children to encourage a growth mindset rather than a fixed one in the household; cultivating a gratitude practice in the family to diminish entitlement; and encouraging play and free time. Bachmann also urged parents to



Vanessa Kellam (center) with Parents Association Speaker Series Coordinators Rob Tolleson and Kirsten Harbers

view themselves as lifelong learners in order to encourage children to follow their lead.

The complementary discussions highlighted Prep's community-wide devotion to learning about and supporting balanced, healthy student growth. The final event of the year, exploring neuroscience and adolescent brain development with Dr. Laurence Steinberg on April 3, will continue the dialogue.

Read more about the two events at flintridgeprep.org under News.

Faculty Say Yes and Bridge Cultures

ON OCT 9, 2018, in Santa Barbara, Prep drama teacher Jen Bascom presented a TedX talk titled "Sometimes Being Right Is Just Wrong." When a belly dance routine gone awry earned her the title of Little Miss New England back in second grade, Bascom got started on the path of always saying "yes," which led to a career as an improviser, actor and comedy writer. In the talk, available on YouTube, Bascom demonstrates her philosophy using a workshop format with audience members, to the general delight of the crowd.

French teacher Lauren Van Arsdall is working with her French 3H/4 students to be a bridge between the Global Studies and STEAM initiatives. Inspired by a colleague, Van Arsdall connected her students with French-speaking

Peace Corps Volunteer Laura Scales, who is working in agriculture in Cameroon. Using email and WhatsApp, students first learned about the country from Scales and have now embarked on two projects. "Once Upon a Time in Cameroon" is an adaptation of classic fairy tales about the regional flora and fauna of the country and includes a technical challenge: print a book that not only can stand up to the rainy season but also can be read in low-light conditions. "In the Field" ("Sur le Champ," a play on words that also means "right away") will have Cameroonian teach the Prep students about compost and other sustainable farming practices. You can read blogs about the collaboration on the Peace Corps website, at peacecorps.gov/stories.

'80s-Themed Prep Benefit Celebrates Flintridge Flashback

NOT SINCE THE ACTUAL 1980s has a party been so totally epic. There were sequins and shoulder pads, teased hair and neon. Men in *Miami Vice* pastels. Cummerbunds galore. The Prep Benefit, Flintridge Flashback: A Pretty in Pink Prom, lived up to the vision of co-chairs Monique Stevens, Christine Lee and Sabena Sarma. It was the party of the year, put together by an army of volunteers at Vibiana in DTLA on March 2.

Masters of Ceremonies Phil LaMarr and Vince Ventresca were outrageous and hilarious as Prince and Billy Idol. They roasted each other and toasted the honorees, parents Jeanne and Rob Case, for their service to the school.

In addition to cocktails, dinner, a student-produced video and dancing, guests participated in live and silent auctions and a paddle raise, all to support Prep's latest innovation: the soon-to-be-built three-story, 17,000-square-foot Bachmann Collaboration Building, which will house innovative STEAM, Global Studies and Leadership programs.



FLINTRIDGE *Flashback* a pretty in pink prom



Rose Princess Helen Rossi '19 Finds Inspiration from the Community



FOR A FIRST-SEMESTER SENIOR, juggling school, college applications, friends and family can feel challenging even on the best days. Add mandatory attendance at over 150 public events to the mix, and many might be overwhelmed—but 2019 Rose Princess Helen Rossi '19 felt driven to handle it all.

Besides the galas, openings and glitz dinners, there is a strong service side to the position, Rossi says. And it's that side that made the job so meaningful to her.

"This year, especially, we have used our spotlight to advocate for inclusivity and unity through service—values that we hold close to our hearts and are excited to share with our community. It has been great to meet diverse people in the community, each with distinct beliefs, traditions and values. It has helped teach us that we have so much to learn."

Despite the excitement of the grand finale appearance atop the Court float on New Year's Day, Rossi's most cherished memories came before that.

"I found that the understated and more easygoing events were the most meaningful, like visiting Shriners Hospital for Children and making Christmas ornaments with the patients. I learned that almost half the patients take four or five buses all the way from Latin America to be fitted for prosthetic limbs. It reminded us to be grateful for our health and the opportunities we are given, and it touched us to get to meet families who were so strong."

Given the at times overwhelming schedule, you might assume the job isn't for every senior girl—but Rossi says otherwise.

"I think that every senior girl should try out for it!" she urges. After all, she's made lifelong friends. She's received endless support from Ms. Kimble, Mr. Bachmann and her teachers. She cites the interview rounds as excellent opportunities for self-reflection and to practice a challenging, real-life skill. And she wouldn't trade a moment of it. "It's a lot of work, but it's incredibly rewarding and fun."

See page 38 to read about Olivia Gaines '13, another Rose Parade participant from the Prep community.

Iris French: Big Smile, Bigger Heart

IRIS FRENCH, a tireless advocate of Prep whose support for the school and two headmasters was legendary, passed away on February 28, 2019. She came to Prep in 1980, working for then-head Edor Anderson, Jr., retaining her position as Assistant to the Headmaster when Peter Bachmann succeeded to the job in 1991. When French retired in 2002, she received the Detoy Award for outstanding personal and professional contributions to the school. French was a fixture on campus throughout her 22-year career, making things run smoothly and making people feel welcome with her memorable laugh and generous spirit.

English teacher Scott Myers remembers, "When I was a rookie at Prep in September 1985, Iris's beaming smile always made me feel as if she was glad I was here. We miss her presence at Prep and feel her family's loss."

Donna Merchant, Director of the Annual Fund, adds, "She looked after everyone, her kids and grandkids, her friends and everyone at Prep. That's just how she was. She was incredibly thoughtful. She made me a quilt once, and because she knew how much I love to knit, she put yarn into the fabric. That quilt is something I will treasure for the rest of my life."

Beyond her deep friendships, French was tied to Prep in other ways. Her son, Jo French '84, taught math at Prep from 1991 to 2015. He wrote, "Iris sought to instill in her children and grandchildren a love of life, a sense of humor and an optimistic outlook. Her house was a loving and warm sanctuary to all. She often took in those in need and created a default second home for her friends and the friends of her children."

In retirement, French moved to Ashland and volunteered her time and energy to Hospice Unique Boutique,

Kiwanis and PEO (Philanthropic Educational Organization). She was an avid and talented quilter and a spontaneous, wholehearted dancer.

She was married for 53 years to Jo French, Sr., who predeceased her. She leaves her daughter, Allison (Emily); son Jo, Jr.; son Brian (Becky); brothers, Bill Sylvester and Bud Sylvester (Mary), grandchildren, Haley and Christopher, her cousin, Peggy Turley, her brother, Bill Sylvester, and her brother, Bud Sylvester (Mary).

Iris French's zest for life was evident to all who knew her. Announcing her death to the Prep community, Peter Bachmann recalled her professionalism and kindness—and her infectious laugh. "I personally benefited from her wisdom, experience, guidance and friendship, particularly in my early years of headship...Iris is one of the great spirits in Prep history. Her legacy is everlasting."



Sandy Ridland '37, Prep's Oldest Alumnus, Dies at 97



Headmaster Malcolm Dickinson (left) with Sandy Ridland on the Flintridge campus in the 1930s.

Sandy Ridland was an invaluable resource to the Flintridge Prep community. Like his brother, John, he consistently provided vivid memories of Flintridge's earliest years. Believed to be the school's oldest alumnus, he was also the first alum featured in a profile; his insights were used in a history written for PrepTalk in 2007. The 2016-2017 Annual Report featured Sandy when he was named a charter member of the Bachmann Circle, which honors alumni who have given for 10 or more years consecutively to the school. The world has lost a man of great accomplishment, and Flintridge has lost a little bit of its history. Please see the following remembrance from his brother, John Ridland '49.

ALEXANDER CHARLES RIDLAND was a freshman in the first year of Flintridge Preparatory School, 1933, and was a member of the first class to go through the full four years of high school. Flintridge prepared him well: Sandy went on to Caltech in mechanical engineering, and upon graduation was drafted into the Army Air Corps (as it was called then). He became an armaments instructor and a First Lieutenant, serving stateside to the end of World War II.

After the war he worked by himself, inventing several patented devices: a

spear-fishing gun stronger than that the Navy used, a small-plane wheel chock, and an airplane seat, which could have been a commercial success if his marketing partner had not flown a plane into a mountainside. Sandy had his own plane, a Fairchild training craft with open-air seats. He took me up once from Burbank and, after some circling, gave me the experience of a nosedive: straight ahead of me lay the street map of Glendale, approaching rapidly. When he pulled up, the G forces practically pushed me through the seat.

After marrying Marilynne Cleves Moore of Flintridge in 1948, Sandy stopped flying. He worked in the emerging aerospace industry, with stints at the Jet Propulsion Lab and in Azusa. Traffic was increasing exponentially, and the freeways were not yet built. His daily drive and the increase in smog convinced him to move to the San Diego area, where he became a project manager at Solar Corporation. One project was to fit a turbo-jet engine onto a Coast Guard-type launch, more than doubling its speed from 16 to 37 knots.

He and his wife and children, Robert Alexander Ridland and Sylvia Cleves Ridland, lived in Rancho Santa Fe. Robbie became an equestrian on

the US Olympic team, and is now the "chef d'équipe" (boss) of the United States Equestrian Association. Sylvia also competed in equestrian shows and has been working with horses and German shepherds all her life. She now lives in Idaho, and Robbie in Irvine.

Sandy was able to retire to Idaho at a relatively early age and occupied himself with many projects and activities, including playing the harmonica and the musical saw, serving as poetry editor for the Mensa Association's magazine, and competing in cross country running (he made the Pikes Peak run). Both water and snow skiing kept him in excellent physical condition well into his 90s. Robbie told of racing Sandy in a kayak on his father's 95th birthday—"And guess who won?" Perhaps the only time when Sandy conceded that he had met his match was in trying to stop the beavers (ironic for a Caltech Beaver!) from taking up residence on his Ketchum property. Their dams flooded the entrance to his house.

Sandy spent his last years in Medford, OR, where he died on January 20, 2019. He is survived by his wife and children, and two brothers, John Murray Ridland '49 and Robert Forbes Ridland, an artist living in their father's hometown, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Sandy accomplished a great many things in varied fields, and he was "there at the Creation" of Flintridge Prep, following Doane Lowery (who was a close family friend) from the Curtis School in Hollywood to the new La Cañada Flintridge venture which Doane dared to undertake in the depths of the Depression.

Our father, John G. Ridland, was a trustee in one of those critical years, and helped keep the Flintridge boat afloat. They would all have been astounded at the substantiality of the ship (as we must now call it) and the ports of call it is visiting—the arts, social services, the buildings, and—coeducation!

Dr. John Ridland '49 is professor emeritus of English at UCSB.

SPOTLIGHT



Winter Dance Concert

All levels of dance came together in a predominantly student-run and student-choreographed performance titled "In the Moment." Featuring dances that explore time, themes included growing up, memories, nostalgia and relationships. Many numbers incorporated props, including clocks, hourglasses and photo projections of the dancers as children. The performance was a touching look at the complexities of time and the feelings that accompany its passing.

Winter Instrumental Concert Brings Holiday Cheer to Prep

In an evening full of festivity, Prep's Instrumental Music department hosted its annual winter concert on December 1 in Norris Auditorium. From string quartet to jazz rock, "Carol of the Bells" to "House of the Rising Sun," the night left the audience swaying and foot-tapping out the door and into December.



Holiday Coffee House

Putting a bow on Prep's holiday performances, the Vocal Music department presented their Holiday Coffee House, this time with a special guest, the LA Community Youth Choir. Conducted by Steve Hill, the evening included all vocal music ensembles singing traditional choral pieces, Jewish folk songs, modern carols, holiday pop hits and even a piece from the movie Coco.

Halloween-Themed Fall Play an Exploration of the Immersive Experience

WBOO: A Halloween Radio Variety Hour, written and directed by drama teacher Jen Bascom, is a hilarious take on a 1950s radio variety hour that challenges our notions about live theater. More of an experience than a production, the play was staged in two locations, with the audience split between Miller Theater and listening stations with actors in Chandramohan Library. Among the characters were Dracula, Frankenstein's monster and his bride, and the Mummy, plus the zombie choir (the Flintridge Singers) and the Skeletones Band (members of the Prep music program).



Storytelling and Imagination in *Shipwrecked!*

In this year's winter play, Prep's 7th-9th graders explored the power of storytelling and imagination with *Shipwrecked!* The story centered on protagonist Louis de Rougemont, played by three different actors, who takes the audience through an oral retelling of his adventures over land and sea—including sea monsters, apocalyptic storms, remote island inhabitants and love stories.

REPLAY

Prep Hosts Jersey Retirement for Pro Soccer Player Brooke Elby '11

IN CELEBRATION of a professional soccer career full of successes, Prep honored Class of 2011 alumna Brooke Elby with a jersey retirement ceremony during the Family BBQ in the fall.

Brooke once described herself as the kind of soccer player "who sprints after the ball for dear life 'til she can't even breathe anymore." Anyone who watched her play on our home field knows exactly what that looks like. Her confidence on the field was always backed up by her speed and skill.

Brooke has played soccer since she was four years old, and in addition to playing for Prep, she played for Arsenal FC. In her senior year in 2011, the girls varsity soccer team, coached by Esteban Chavez and assisted by Chris Mendoza and Sean Beattie, had a spectacular season, going 18-4-2 for the year. Brooke was the co-captain of the team.

She led the team to a Prep League victory and on to the quarterfinals in the CIF Division III playoffs. This was the team's first outright Prep League championship, the first back-to-back league championship and the first CIF Division III quarterfinal appearance in the history of Prep girls' soccer. Brooke had a league-high 28 goals that year and was named Co-MVP of the Prep League (with Connell Studenmund '12) and to the All-CIF 1st team.

In 2011, Coach Esteban Chavez said, "Brooke is two steps ahead of everybody on game awareness. She sees something developing and knows she'll be part of that play."

Meanwhile, her Prep teammates described her as "funny, energetic and competitive." She was known for both her offensive and defensive skills, dribbling, cutting, chasing and striking.

Brooke was recruited by the University of North Carolina, which has one of the winningest women's soccer programs in the NCAA. She fit in right away. In an epic play



in 2012, during the Division I quarterfinals vs. top-seeded BYU, Brooke's game-changing save advanced the Tar Heels to the final four and, eventually, the Division I championship. If you've seen the footage on YouTube, you've probably found yourself watching it repeatedly; Brooke seems to come out of nowhere to block what would have been a tie-breaking goal.

Throughout her college career, Brooke continued to come through with clutch plays; she was named team captain her senior year. In addition to her leadership on the field, Brooke was also an academic leader. A journalism and mass communications major, she was named to the Atlantic Coast Conference honor roll.

After college, Brooke trained with the Women's Premier Soccer League (the LA Blues) before moving to Australia to play for the W League. She joined the Boston Breakers in 2016. In 2018, she joined the Utah Royals and was traded to the Chicago Red Stars, where her team made it to the semifinals.

When she is not training, Brooke continues to pursue her advertising and marketing career through a variety of internships and consulting opportunities. She intends to return to school for her MBA.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

In a season with such accomplishments as winning the League Championship and taking 2nd place in CIF Southern Section Regionals and 3rd place at the CIF State Championships, it's clear the girls cross country squad continues to ride a wave of success. Coaches Jill Henry, Beth Patinelli and Anthony Snitker point to two highlights in particular, besting Mayfield by 2 points in the Championship meet and finishing a mere 11 points behind St. Margaret's at the SS Regional Championships. The coaches especially commended runners Haley Allen '19, consistent no. 1 runner and 2nd place League finisher; Sasha Codiga '19, consistent no. 2 runner and 3rd place League finisher; Hope Codiga '19, who improved from consistent no. 6 runner to no. 4 this year; and Caroline Wreszin '19, who ran no. 5 consistently after returning from a stress fracture. Allen and Sasha Codiga were named 1st Team All-League and 1st Team All-CIF, while 2nd Team All-League included Liana Morrissey '20 and Hope Codiga.

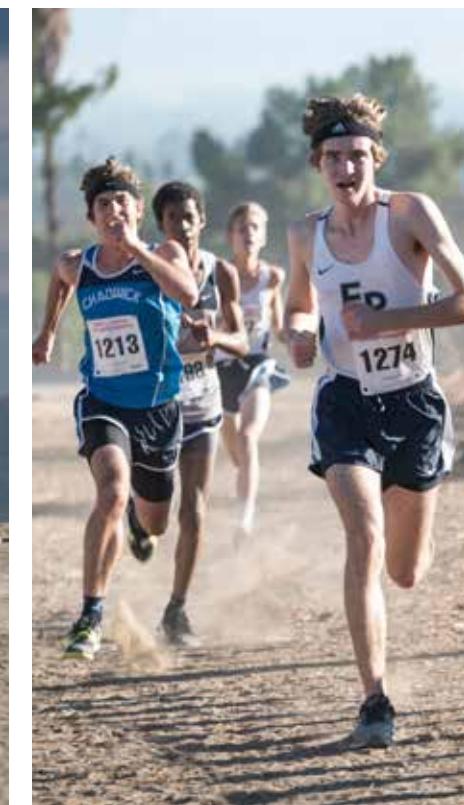
*MVP: Haley Allen '19
Most Improved: Liana Morrissey '20*



BOYS CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Prep cross country was equally successful on the boys' side this year, with the squad bringing home the League Championship, a 2nd place finish at CIF Southern Section Finals and 6th place at CIF State. Coach Scott Jung particularly points to their appearance at CIF Regional Finals; despite missing one of their top 5 runners that day and one runner returning from an absence, the boys showed a great team effort, Jung says, persevering and finishing 2nd overall. He points specifically to strong season performances by Carson Hasbrouck '19, Bennett Oakes '21, Hudson Billock '21, Ethan Moutes '19, Nolan Costin '21 and Seb Evans '19. Hasbrouck was named All-CIF, as well as All-League 1st team alongside Oakes, Billock and Moutes. Grady Morrissey '20 was named All-League 2nd team.

*MVP: Carson Hasbrouck '19
Coach's Award: Hudson Billock '21
Rookie of the Year: Ethan Moutes '19
Most Improved: Bennett Oakes '21*



FOOTBALL

The boys in blue ended their season with a 4-5 overall record and 1-2 record in League. They started off the year with back-to-back wins against Sun Valley and Mammoth but faced tougher battles once League play started. A season highlight, notes Coach Russell White, was their 65-64 victory against Thacher in Ojai. Entering the end of the game from behind, they came back to win with just 1:10 on the clock. It was just one of the examples of a team-wide effort, says White. He points especially to John Lytle '19, Zach Kim '21 and Ben Grable '20, who provided leadership and consistent effort for the team. All-CIF players included Lytle, Kim and Grable. Lytle was also named All-League Offensive Player of the Year, while Grable was named 1st Team Defense.

*MVP: John Lytle '19
Linemen Award: Pearce Harris '21
Tom Fry Coach's Award: Charlie McCormick '20*





GIRLS TENNIS

Facing a rebuilding year, the girls tennis team spent the season growing together. Coach Roger Holloman views their 3-13 overall record and 0-8 League record as a learning experience, giving the young team of several newcomers to tennis the chance to gain experience competing. Holloman is excited for the future of the team and eager to see how the growth pays off next time around. He points out strong performances by Heidi Lin '22 and Maya Khurana '20, who had several wins in singles matchups this season.

MVP: Maya Khurana '20

Coach's Award: Claire Senft '21

Most Improved: Maya Le '21

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

As a testament to the girls volleyball team's resilient spirit, Coach Sean Beattie points to their Senior Night match against Chadwick. The team had taken the 8 previous matches against the Rebels, but this time "the girls came out ready to play," he says. They took the lead early in the game and never once fell behind. He cites this as part of the reason they've had their highest ranking finish in 15 years, 5th place, and achieved their best overall record in 13 years (12-7). Standout performances by 1st Team All-League nominee Courtney Johnson '19, 2nd Team All-League nominees Chloe Chanren '19 and Ellen Chang '20, Libby Penn '19 and Jada Gritton '20

MVP: Courtney Johnson '19

Defensive MVP: Ellen Chang '20

Coach's Award: Libby Penn '19

BOYS WATER POLO

The boys water polo squad ended the season with a 10-16 overall record and a 4-4 League record, placing them 3rd in the Prep League. Coaches Andrew Phillips and Edin Memisevic note several memorable performances this season but pointed specifically to the team's game versus Chadwick. At the time, Chadwick was unbeaten in League, Phillips says, but "was upset by an amazing showcase of Rebel discipline and consistency." An exciting and close match, the game ended in a 9-8 finish, which Phillips attributes to "the best defensive front the Rebels put together all year long." He notes standout performances by Hakop Kaplanyan '20, Will Fosselman '22 and Ben Brookbanks '19, who were named 1st Team All-League, 1st Team All-League and 2nd Team All-League respectively.

MVP: Hakop Kaplanyan '20

Coaches' Award: Ben Brookbanks '19

Most Improved: Gage Detchemendy '20

helped drive the Rebels forward, but Beattie praises the entire team for its commitment and growth. "I could not have been prouder of every player on the team," he says, "for their hard work and dedication over the year!"



GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL CIF SEMIFINALISTS LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

For the 6th consecutive year, the girls basketball team has flown through league play to take home the championship. Once more, the girls hit an incredible 12-0 league record (24-3 overall), making it their 4th time achieving not only the League Championship but an undefeated record. Coaches Jayme Kiyomura Chan and Kevin Kiyomura point to the CIF quarter-final game as an example of the team's dominance, where the girls brought down visiting Chino Hills 56-42. The Rebels advanced to the CIF Div IIA Semifinals, where they fell to Lakeside in Lake Elsinore 51-60. Despite being cut short in the playoffs, the girls earned a spot in CIF State, where they made it to Round II. Kaitlyn Chen '20 was named Prep League MVP, Sofia Gonzalez '21 was named All-League 1st Team, and Andie Kim '20, Maddy Manning '19 and Ashlyn Zhang '22 were named All-League 2nd Team.

MVP: Kaitlyn Chen '20

Grit: Olivia Stevens '20

Leadership: Ali Fujimoto '19

BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE RUNNERS UP

The boys basketball squad had some memorable comebacks in its 2019 season, finishing 2nd place in the Prep League with a 5-3 record (14-12 overall). Coach Garrett Ohara '84 points to two of those moments of resilience in particular: after trailing by 16 points in the 3rd quarter against Laguna Beach, the team rallied thanks to 17 points from AJ Nicassio '19 and 11 points each from Zach Kim '21 and John Lytle '19, coming back to win the game 55-54. In another game, Kevin Ashworth '20 hit a 35-foot shot at the buzzer to beat Vaughn 44-43. The team eventually fell to Temple City in round II of the CIF playoffs. Nicassio and Matthew Ho '21 were named All-League 1st Team.

MVP: AJ Nicassio '19

Coach's Award: Torres Shi '19

Most Improved: Matthew Ho '21

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GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

League 6-6, Overall 10-6

BOYS WATER POLO

League 2-6, Overall 5-10



GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

A group that has consistently broken records and blown minds, girls soccer reached new heights this season before ultimately falling in the round of 16 in CIF playoffs. Prior to the upset, the team—which had a league record of 10-0 and an overall 22-1-0 record—reached a stunning 45 consecutive wins, a number that stretches back to last season. In one especially exciting match, the last of the season, the girls defeated Poly 7-1. Coach Esteban Chavez points out that despite falling in CIF, the girls once more earned the titles of Prep League Champions, the Best in the West Tournament Champions and the La Salle Tournament Champions, and he notes the incredible number of players selected to All-League Teams: League MVP Makenna Dominguez '21; 1st Team selections Mikaela Celeste '19, Caitlin Fong '19, Helen Schaefer '19, Melanie Ng '21, Arielle Guzman '19 and Kylie Oh '22; and 2nd Team nominees Kate Huntley '21 and Libby Penn '19.

Outstanding Player: Makenna Dominguez '21
Coach's Award: Hope Codiga '19
Most Improved: Caroline Perez '22

BOYS VARSITY SOCCER LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Having brought home their 3rd consecutive Prep League title thanks to a 5-1-0 league record (14-6-1 overall), the boys soccer team has a lot to celebrate this season. Coaches Esteban Chavez and Stanley Curiel note the team's thrilling 2-0 victory against Poly on Senior Day, where they secured the League Championship. The victory propelled the boys into CIF looking strong, where they successfully made it through round I but lost in round II. Two Rebels came out with Prep League MVP recognition: Silas Chavez '21 for Offensive and Spencer Harris '19 for Defensive, in addition to All-League 1st Team nominees Simon Siskel '20 and Nick Klatsky '20 and 2nd Team nominees Jason Kreinberg '20, Evan White '19, Dominick Schraeder '22 and Andrew Odom '21.

MVP: Spencer Harris '19
Offensive Player of the Year: Simon Siskel '20
Defensive Player of the Year: Jason Kreinberg '20

GIRLS VARSITY WATER POLO CIF RUNNERS UP LEAGUE RUNNERS UP

Last year, the girls water polo squad advanced to CIF for the first time in 15 years. This year, they dominated their way to the CIF Finals match for the first time in Prep history. Their record was the best in years, hitting 9-3 in league and 21-7 overall. They kicked off CIF playoffs with a bang, defeating Nogales, Heritage, Fontana and Carpinteria by comfortable margins, before falling 4-5 in a heartbreakingly close match against Katella. Coaches Andrew Phillips and Edin Memisevic applaud the girls' defensive discipline and eagerness to attack on offense—something they saw plenty of in the team's CIF Semifinal win against Carpinteria, which Phillips says marks the culmination of a long season of hard work. All-League 1st Team nominations include Lauren Bennett '20, Natalie Kaplanyan '21 and Makena Walklett '20, and 2nd Team members included Lara Friedman '19 and Danielle Maxwell '19.

MVP: Natalie Kaplanyan '21
Coaches' Awards: Danielle Maxwell '19 and Lara Friedman '19
Most Improved: Gracie McKiernan '20



JV SCOREBOARD

GIRLS JV BASKETBALL CO-LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

League 8-1, Overall 14-7

BOYS JV BASKETBALL LEAGUE RUNNERS UP

League 6-2, Overall 14-10

BOYS JV SOCCER

League 4-2-2, Overall 6-8-2

GIRLS JV WATER POLO

League 2-0, Overall 7-11

MVP: Sienna Arrobio '22

Coach's Award: Hope Ware '22

Most Improved: Emily Battaglia '22

ALUMNI NEWS

1949

70th
reunion

SAVE THE DATE
April 12, 2019



1954

65th
reunion

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April 12, 2019

1957

JOHN YINGLING (below) is happy to share that he now has four grandchildren! Abby and Bradley are now five years old, Charlie is two and Dorothy was born over the summer.



1959

60th
reunion

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1964

55th
reunion

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1969

50th
reunion

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MICK HOOVER has both daughters, their husbands and two granddaughters now living nearby in Kentucky. "Janice and I have accumulated 10 acres of farm and forest land and have planted a pool, a seasonal garden and a lot of grass to mow."

BILL MONNING currently serves as the California State Senate Majority Leader. He represents the 17th S.D., including all of Santa Cruz and San Luis Obispo counties and parts of Monterey and Santa Clara Counties. He lives with his wife,



characters from Prep are in the story: **Mr. Neupauer**, **Mr. Jutzi**, **Mr. Tichenor**, **Mr. Poland** and even **Arnold Krabbe**. Jeff and George also make an appearance.

1974

45th
reunion

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1975

Roberta and **KERRY ROSELL** would like to announce the birth of their first grandson, George Frederick Hamilton Rosell (below).



has had a presence in Hawaii dating to the 1860s, with his forebears hailing from a sailing and shipping background. Classmates Pete and Jamie (above) have been friends since age three, tracing all through Prep and beyond. They report that everyone had a great time reminiscing and catching up!

1979

40th
reunion

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1983

STEPHEN BAKER shares that he received a Masters of Science in Cybersecurity from Maryville University of St. Louis. He lives in the suburbs of St. Louis with his wife, Dixie, and daughter, Chloe, a junior in high school. For the last two summers, he and his daughter (below) have spent a week in the Chiriquí Province of Panama as part of a humanitarian mission working with David's Well, to bring clean drinking water and education to the indigenous peoples of Panama.



JENNIE SINE LEE reports that her second book, *Breathing Love: Meditation in Action*, was released in January. Read more about her books at jennieleeyoga.com/breathing-love.

1984

35th reunion
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1986

MATTHEW CONROY (below) shares that he recently celebrated his sixth anniversary at Peppercomm, an integrated communications firm based in Manhattan, where he is Director of Media Strategy, working largely with financial services clients. He and his wife, Marna, live in the Hudson Valley with their two children, Madeleine and Kieran. Madeleine has just been accepted to UC Santa Cruz and will be headed off to the Golden State in the fall. He hopes that will bring many more opportunities to visit. His son, Kieran, takes after his mom and is looking at a possible career in computer science or engineering. He shares that his newest passion is hiking. "Luckily we live in one of the best places in the world for it," he says. "I'd love to connect with any fellow alums visiting the New York area. I can be reached at mconroy10@comcast.net."



1988

JULIE BENNIARDI shares, "Debbie Ouyang and her two daughters, **JENNIFER OUYANG '06** and **OLIVIA OUYANG '10**, and my son, **MAX GUNARA '17**, and I have started a social enterprise called ReWeave L.A., which upcycles discarded textile samples into unique luxury home goods. Read more about the company on reweavela.com."

1989

30th reunion
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Boston resident **CHRIS JOHNSON** shares a photo with **DARREN HELD** (below). The two caught up while Chris was out visiting family and friends in California last summer.



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1991

GEORGE BRUMDER updates, "I started a new gig in January selling IT leasing for one of the largest independent IT leasing firms in the world. Loving life but missing many high school friends. Hit me up when you visit Seattle."

1993

NATASHA NEUMANN sends along her thanks to **Vatche Hagopian** upon his retirement last year, in honor of the two generations of her family he has educated. "We are thrilled our boys are a part of Prep," she says. "All three of us were fortunate to learn from Mr. Hagopian."

1994

25th reunion
SAVE THE DATE
April 14, 2018

1996

Earlier this year, **ALEXIS MAYA NEWMAN** said "Yes!" to the question popped by fiancé Anders Elof Carlson (below). The vineyard wedding is scheduled for October 25, 2019, on the North Fork of Long Island. Anders is a principal and senior structural engineer at HOK in NYC, and Alexis is senior marketing specialist and client events manager at Simpson Gumpertz & Heger. The happy couple is currently enjoying their new home on Central Park West in Manhattan.



1999

20th reunion
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April 14, 2018

TATIANA SAMUEL recently completed her third full distance Ironman Triathlon on May 12. She will be racing two more full distance Ironmans this year, in Lake Placid and Arizona.

2001

BRYAN DENTON (above right) updates that he and his wife, Maria, recently celebrated their five-year anniversary. "She left her position as a foreign correspondent for *The Wall Street Journal* last November after being hired by *The New York Times* as South Asia correspondent, based in Delhi," he says. "I've been contributing to them as a photographer since 2005, and we are both now covering Asia. In addition, I was given the Robert Capa Gold Medal by the Overseas Press Club in 2017 for my coverage of the war against



ISIS in Iraq. Maria also traveled to Mosul during that time. Managing to somehow be good parents through all of that was harder."

2002

SARAH SHELDON CLANCY (below) announces that he and his dad, David, recently opened Hearth and Hill in Park City, UT, a family-friendly, upscale-casual restaurant with an American contemporary menu. Classmates **GREG SHERMAN** and **ADAM KLIENERT** were nice enough to make it out for the grand opening party. You can view the website at www.hearth-hill.com.

BEN TEITELBAUM shares, "I got engaged in late 2018 to a wonderful girl named Emilie. She's from Ventura County, went to USC and is now a producer for NBC Sports. For work, I recently produced and directed a short documentary on the World Nomad Games, arguably the most unique sporting event on earth. In early September I traveled to Kyrgyzstan in Central Asia to film 10 days of horseback archery, falconry, kok boru (goat carcass polo) and more. The final 17-minute piece, called *The Lost Games*, is available on Sports Illustrated's premium content network, SI TV."

2004

BROOKS KIRCHHEIMER (below) announces that he and his dad, David, recently opened Hearth and Hill in Park City, UT, a family-friendly, upscale-casual restaurant with an American contemporary menu. Classmates **GREG SHERMAN** and **ADAM KLIENERT** were nice enough to make it out for the grand opening party. You can view the website at www.hearth-hill.com.



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On October 8, **MEL PEARSON STAHL** and her husband, Cory, welcomed a beautiful baby girl, Kit Ann Pendleton Stahl (below). She's a happy, healthy little baby, and her parents are loving every second with her.



2008
KATIE CORRADINI and John Curry (below) were married on August 4, 2018, in Malibu, CA.



ANDRIA MONTOYA ILES (below) welcomed her son, Owen, last August.



Classes of 2008 and 2013 Reunite

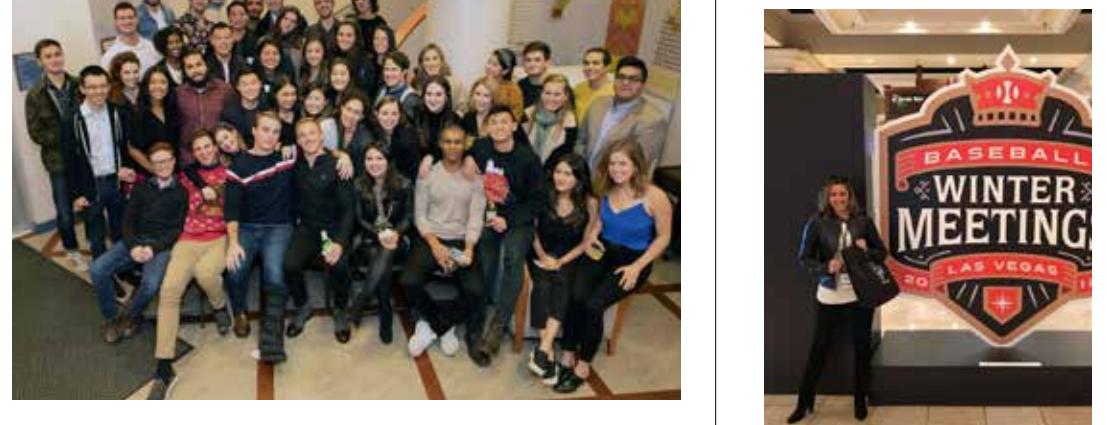
We can't believe it, but somehow it has been five and 10 years since these two classes graduated. The highlight of the December 23 Alumni Day for these two tight-knit groups was reuniting on campus for fun, food, friendship and, most importantly, a LOT of laughter.



KYONG KIM recently produced and launched a mobile game called RWBY: Amity Arena, based on the popular web series RWBY by Rooster Teeth. The game is live globally for free. "It was a dream project, so it was very exciting," he says.

ISABELLA LORES-CHAVEZ updates, "I'm currently a PhD candidate in Art History at Columbia, working on a dissertation on 17th-century Dutch still-life paintings. This academic year, until August 2019, I'm living in Amsterdam with funding from the Metropolitan Museum of Art to begin my research. I'm feeling extra lucky and grateful to be supported in my academic work this year, and living in Amsterdam has been a wonderful experience so far!"

KARI VAN HORN STEELE (below) was invited to MLB's Winter Meetings in Las Vegas to discuss the future of ballpark food with the sport's top minds. After wrapping up bowl season and a lackluster year for the Arizona Cardinals, Steele is preparing to cover her 4th spring training and 7th season of Major League Baseball. If you ever plan on seeing the Dodgers dominate in the Cactus League, feel free to reach out while you are in town!



GENEVIEVE WOODHEAD is in a graduate program in anthropology, studying archaeology of the American Southwest. "I work with ceramics and am hoping to do my dissertation on Chaco Canyon, NM."



2010
Just prior to beginning her new career at Spotify in Stockholm, **MORGAN BROWN** (above) visited Prep to speak to current students about leadership. Citing several experiences spanning from life as a young student at Prep to strong female mentorship during her time working at Pandora, she provided students of all ages and interests advice about developing leadership skills on campus and in the workplace.

2011
ABBEY DECKOP was invited by current Prep ACL members to speak on campus about her work in the sports media industry, particularly about women in sports.

2012
TOMI OKUNO shares a photo with **AARON SUGIMOTO '13** and **LESLIE ITO '92** together at the Japanese American Cultural & Community Center Anniversary Celebration & Awards Dinner at the Hyatt Regency Long Beach in June 2018 (below). The Sugimoto Family was honored at the dinner as the recipients of the 2018 Chairman's Award for their unwavering dedication to the Japanese American community. Leslie serves as the current president and CEO of the JACCC. Tomi attended as a 2017 Nisei Week court princess. The Nisei Week court is a leadership program for young women representing LA's Little Tokyo Historic District.



Alumni Winter Reunion Day



Alumni Sports Day

Chilly weather couldn't stop alumni from flocking to Prep on December 23 to lace up their cleats, hop in the pool or take to the court to test their mettle. The co-ed participants jumped back into basketball, volleyball and water polo—and this year, soccer was swapped out for flag football, which took place on the freshly lit Memorial Field.



GOLD Networking Mixer

Marking six years of the Fathers Club helping young Prep grads make career connections, the GOLD Networking Mixer drew crowds of graduates from the Classes of 2008-2018 to learn about industries such as entertainment, medicine, finance/banking, public policy/politics and many others. It was also the first event to be held in the newly unveiled atrium.



Alumni Holiday Party

This year's annual gathering at iX Tapa did not fail to entertain. Graduates spanning multiple decades arrived at the downtown Pasadena hangout to greet Peter Bachmann, Michael Lyman, members of the External Affairs office and other faculty and staff members for fun and festivities.

Alumni-in-College Open House Brings Familiar Faces

In heartwarming annual Prep tradition, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving brought alumni who have been away at college back to campus for a visit. The morning began with breakfast and conversation in Jorgensen living room, continued with faculty and staff visits around campus and culminated in the JPD assembly, a second performance of the prior week's JPD evening put on by the Class of 2020.



Class Notes Wanted

Submit Class Notes any time to alumni@flintridgeprep.org or by phone, 818.949.5526. Email digital images (JPEG or TIFF, 300 dpi resolution, size 5x7 inches) or send photo prints to Flintridge Prep's Office of Alumni Relations. News and photos may be reprinted in *PrepTalk* and/or our alumni web pages, depending on image quality and space availability.

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2013

DYLAN ARYA shares, "I recently moved to Washington, DC, where I do policy for the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence. Despite loving the city and the work, I miss California's weather and being thousands of miles from the current inhabitant of the White House."

KASEY CONSTANTINO (below) graduated *summa cum laude* and with the Distinguished Undergraduate Achievement Award from UCCS in May with a BA in Criminal Justice. She will continue at UCCS for her master's degree in Criminal Justice and plans to graduate December 2019.



CHADD COSSE (below) ran in the New York City Marathon on Nov. 4. This was his first marathon, and he finished with a time of 3:35.37. He was cheered on by his sister **RUTH COSSE '11**, family members and friends.



2013

OLIVIA GAINES '13 was one of seven City of Hope patients to ride aboard the City of Hope "Harmony of Hope" float at the Rose Parade on New Year's Day. She wrote an article for City of Hope's Breakthroughs blog, available through the City of Hope website, titled "Leukemia Created a Road Block, Music Lifted Her Past It," about how music has helped her and other patients heal. In a wonderful Flintridge connection, Olivia is participating in a clinical research study with Prep parent Saro Armenian. The study may establish a new protocol to improve success for transplant recipients. "Plus," she says, "We both found common ground about how astronauts and space travel are key to increasing quality of care."

LAUREN GERARD has been working hard starting her professional dance career here in LA. She signed a contract with Go2 Talent Agency in August and booked a job dancing on New Year's Eve at the Bellagio in Las Vegas, featuring Bruno Mars!

Since 2017, **JOHN HENRY KURTZ** has been working at One Two Twenty Entertainment, an independent production company based in Santa Monica. At One Two Twenty, he produces a wide range of feature, television and short film projects. Most recently, he produced the short film "Start with Half," which premiered at the 2019 Santa Barbara International Film Festival.

2014

WILL BREMER graduated from Willamette University with a double major in economics and theater. He is currently enrolled in the Stella Adler Art of Acting Professional Conservatory.

2016

Currently a junior at MIT, **VICK LIU** wrote a book, *Points of You*, in which he and three other MIT students share unfiltered accounts of what they wish they'd known growing up. A review of the book was published in the *La Canada Valley Sun* and can be viewed at www.latimes.com. He also gave a TEDx Talk recently, titled "We Are All Capable to Make a Change," available on YouTube.

THEO ROSENFIELD continues to act in productions at UC Berkeley. In fall 2018 he was part of "70 Scenes of Halloween."

JONAH SACKS has begun his junior year at Washington University in St. Louis. He is working toward a finance degree in the Olin School of Business, as well as a double major in Spanish. He will study in Madrid in the spring. He is still playing golf and is the Club Golf President.

2017

MIKE BREMER is currently majoring in Physics at Seattle University.

LENA PAWLEK had a busy summer that included being an assistant teacher at Galileo Camps and an internship at Netshapes, a business owned by a Prep family, the Ashworths. She is enjoying attending Harvey Mudd College and will major in engineering.

2018

MONA CESARIO is happily pursuing a business degree at UC Berkeley.

OLIVIA HARBER recently finished the University of Washington early fall start and is into the winter quarter. She is loving life in Seattle!

SOPHIA PAWLEK completed her summer at the Naval Academy, where she is learning seamanship and professional responsibility. She loved going to football, soccer and volleyball games. Go Navy, beat Army!

IN MEMORIAM

MAJOR KENNETH CHARLES GOOLD, JR. '54 (USAF Ret.) passed away on June 24, 2018, exactly one month after his 60th wedding anniversary.

Born in Carmel, he entered the Air Force after graduating from Prep. His family lived all over the world from 1959-1976 while he served as a pilot on combat and transport missions in Korea, Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos. The Air Force recognized Major Goold's service with a variety of medals, including the Vietnam Service Medal, Gallant Unit Citations, Air Force Commendation Medal and two Aerial Achievement Medals, among others. He was also honored as a longtime member of the Daedalians, a society of military combat aviators formed in 1934 to honor WWI pilots.

He retired from the Air Force and settled in North Carolina, working in a variety of fields, including construction and nuclear power, and enjoyed traveling, golfing and swimming. A longtime supporter of Prep, he leaves behind his wife, Ruthie, and daughter, Mary.

ALAN HEDMAN, PhD, passed away December 12, 2018. He joined the Prep family in 1993 as school psychologist and teacher of the psychology class and retained a consultancy with Prep, most recently in November 2018. He earned a PhD in Counseling and Organizational Psychology from the University of Maryland and had a 30-year career as executive coach, organizational consultant, clinician and speaker/lecturer. He served as Associate Director of Health and Counseling Services at USC, was a sports psychologist for college, professional and Olympic athletes, and worked for other independent schools and professional music schools. He was a national lecturer on health and wellness issues. His books include, as co-author, *The Psychology of Executive Coaching* and *The Oz Way to Collaborative Leadership*; his latest book was *Killer B's and Worker B's: Survive or Thrive?* published in 2010. He leaves his wife, Kathleen Bartle, daughter, Briana '01, and grandson, Milo.

RICHARD "DICK" HIBBARD '45 died January 28, 2019, in La Jolla. At Prep, he excelled in swimming, worked on the Prep Log and was on the basketball team. After graduation, he served briefly in the Navy at the end of World War II, before attending UC Berkeley and Cal Poly. He married Anne "Nan" Barrett in 1949, and they raised two daughters and avocados in Pauma Valley, CA. In 1961 they moved to La Jolla, where Dick became a partner in Barrett, Hibbard & Co., building apartments and commercial buildings in San Diego. From 1973 to 1986, he was a member of the Board of Pacific Southern Mortgage Trust, and was Chairman and CEO. From 1970 to 1980, he was a member of the Board of Directors of Scripps Memorial Hospital, serving two years as its Chairman. In 1986, he was reappointed to the Scripps Board, bringing disparate institutions together under Scripps Institutions of Medicine

and Science (now Scripps Health) and was its first Chairman. Dick and Nan were sailors and world travelers and enjoyed tennis and bridge, golf and red wine. Dick is survived by his wife of 69 years, daughters Susan Alleshouse of La Jolla and Sally Hibbard (Mike Moody) of Santa Monica, five grandchildren, three great-granddaughters, his sister-in-law Nancy Barrett, four nieces and one nephew.

RICHARD HUGHES MD '46 died on July 11, 2018, in Park City, UT. Prep's Commissioner of Athletics his senior year, Dick was on the basketball, swimming and baseball teams. He went to Stanford on a football scholarship, but having never played in high school (Prep did not field a team until 1948), he instead played rugby and ran track. After earning his MD at Stanford, Dick served in the Korean War and worked as a heart and lung surgeon at the VA in Los Angeles. He moved to the University of Utah to establish their heart surgery program, then returned to Los Angeles and continued to be a busy heart and lung specialist. He was an avid hiker, hunter, mountain climber and fly fisherman, climbing Mauna Loa, HI, at age 62, the day after he retired. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Jane, children Susan, Elizabeth and Flint (named for Flintridge Prep), and five granddaughters.

KENNETH M. PAYNE III '63 passed away on December 26, 2018. His love affair with cars began at Prep; he owned a '63 Chevy Nova until the day he died. His lifelong passion extended to car and air shows and the Bonneville races and led to a successful 42-year career as a car salesman. He also attended Rollins College and spent four years in the Air Force, retiring as a captain. He loved traveling and politics, tennis and cycling, and was a badminton champion in the military. Ken is survived by his domestic partner, Dale Van Mill, his daughter, Taylor, son, Tell, daughter-in-law, Inga, and siblings David, Freeman, Carol, Diana and John.

SANDY SMOCK '55 passed away on January 12, 2019. He went to Stanford University, where he met the love of his life, Sue Godfrey. They married in 1959 and graduated together with their master's degrees in 1961 (his was an MBA). Most of Sandy's business career took place at Scudder, Stevens, and Clark (later Scudder Kemper Investments) and Salomon Brothers. He served as a Flintridge Prep Trustee from 1976-1981. Sandy retired in 1998, and in 1991 he became deeply involved in his church, taking positions of leadership. After a trip to the Holy Land in 2004, Sandy dedicated himself to promoting peace with justice in that part of the world, encouraging interfaith dialogue both at home and abroad. He made a total of 16 trips to the Holy Land and was made a Canon of the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles in 2006. Sandy is survived by his wife, daughters Molly Lihani and Kate Lacy, sons-in-law Rob Lihani and Kirk Lacy, and four grandchildren, as well as by his sister, Juli Smock Cook, brother, Peter Smock '66, and niece, Sara Smock Prestwood '04.



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