

Chaminade College Preparatory

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*Cardinal Archbishop James Francis McIntyre,
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YEARS

1952-2022

CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY
A Catholic School in the Marianist Tradition
for Grades 6 – 12

Platinum Jubilee - 1952-2022
Archival / Chronological Notes
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In the Beginning...

With only \$9,000 and a few months to find a suitable facility and make ready, Chaminade high School for Boys was founded in the fall of 1952 by the Society of Mary (Marianists). They were seeking to expand their secondary educational mission in Southern California in addition to providing living and working quarters for their “postulants”—i.e., high school candidates to the Marianists.

A former academy on Cattaraugus Street in the Cheviot Hills area of West Los Angeles was selected for the new school. It is said that the buildings were severely rundown, and the grounds resembled a jungle. But in July of 1952, Brothers James Wipfield and John Perko, who later became the first principal, enlisted the help of many fellow Marianists. Within only two months the buildings were spotless, the grounds were renovated, a chapel and library were established, and an outer building was converted into a chemistry lab. The Original Pioneer Marianists at CHAMINADE HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS were Bro. John Perko, first principal, Fr. Don Bracht, Bro. Henry Honnert, Bro. James Loughran, Bro. John McEnhill, Bro. John Samaha, and Bro. Eugene Zapp. They welcomed 114 day and resident students INCLUDING a senior class whose total enrollment was 3 students!

With the need for updated and expanded facilities, another search was launched, and the San Fernando Valley was a logical choice given the direction of development that was taking place in Southern California. The new high school was built in Canoga Park.

1954-1955: 1st published yearbook

BRO. JOHN PERKO- principal until 1958 at Cheviot Hills location.

GROWTH:

The portrait of Fr. Chaminade, Founder of the Marianists, at the main entrance symbolizes the aims at Chaminade High School; namely, *“education comprises all the means which enable the school to sow, cultivate, strengthen, and render fruitful the Christian spirit in souls.”* The “chapel is dedicated to Our Lady, Mediatrix of All Graces—where devotional practices deepen the religion convictions of students.” The “main approach to Chaminade High School. The Cross dominates the building, even as it pervades every education activity at Chaminade.”

1955-1956

BRO. JOHN PERKO, principal, Cheviot Hills.

1956-1957 No regular yearbook published...

Bro. John Perko, principal, Cheviot Hills, created an abbreviated 40-page yearbook entitled “interludes of 1957.” The contents include formal photos of faculty, staff, each graduate, group photos of sports teams (*football, basketball, baseball, track*), and extracurricular activities (band, pep club, class officers, Sodality, speech club, actors, yearbook staff, and mothers’ & dads’ clubs).

1957-1958

BRO. JOHN PERKO, principal, Cheviot Hills.

- Yearbook dedicated in '58 to Bro. John Perko as *"the dedicated teacher, the man of faith, the affable leader."*

1958: Bro. James Loughran: Celebrated Silver Jubilee in '58 as a working brother in the SM. Described as *"responsible for the smooth running of the school...with his kindly advice, his helping hand, and personal interest in every student."*

Fr. Francis May: When he "died at the age of 74 all who knew him felt they had lost a personal friend."

Fr. Ted Ley, 1958 grad: Involved in many activities including leadership roles.

POSTULANTS:

High school age candidates for the SM who lived on campus. Other boarders on campus were present for thirty years. It was a unique program for a Marianist high school in the USA.

SODALITY:

Blessed William Joseph Chaminade was very dedicated to forming the laity in Sodalities or faith communities called to do corporal works of mercy especially with the youth of Bordeaux, France. In the 1900's in the United States as Marianist religious started directing secondary schools and universities, Sodalities were established in its educational institutions such as Chaminade H.S.

1958-1959

BRO. VINCENT STEELE, principal, Cheviot Hills.

-Principal from 1958-1963.

-Yearbook states, *"in Brother Steele the students found an understanding quietly humorous man, an educational leader completely dedicated to Chaminade High School."*

Bro. John Zimmermann: Served as Treasurer and public relations director. The 1959 yearbook dedication to Bro. John cited him as *"kindly, considerate, interested, and generous."*

1959-1960

BRO. VINCENT STEELE, principal, Cheviot Hills.

SODALITY:

Sodalists work on canned food drive, Christmas card sale, and days of recollection. Their largest project and a "first" was the annual Sodality Convention of the Province of the Pacific hosting delegates from the bay area, Los Angeles, and Hawaiian Islands. "Mastermind" behind convention for "excellent planning" was Marianist **Fr. Leo Uht**.

The Sodality worked on the "Catholic Action" model, which was to *OBSERVE, JUDGE and ACT*.

Agenda:

- Central theme presented— "The Sodalist and His Vocation;"
- Extracted practical applications from the topic.

FOOTBALL HEAD COACH:

John Vukelich, former football star at the University of Dayton, started coaching in his specialty of football at Chaminade in addition to coaching basketball, baseball, and track from 1956-1961. He also taught social studies and physical education. The sports section of the 1960 yearbook is dedicated to Coach Vukelich. On Oct. 22, 2004, the JOHN VUKELICH athletic field was dedicated to John and the dedication plaque cites him as **"COACH, ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, TEACHER."** John, who now lives in Northern California, comes annually for Homecoming, and gives a "pre-game" pep talk to the football team (*as of fall, 2022*).

1960-1961

BRO. VINCENT STEELE, principal, Canoga Park.

Chaminade High School relocates to Canoga Park. **BRO. VINCENT STEELE** receives blessings for success when the school is re-located. The **SODALITY** takes on the direction of "supplying Christian leaders to the school" which is accomplished in the different divisions. It was felt that "by the influence of Christian principles we can have a stronger and better student body."

FR. WILLIAM O'CONNELL, school chaplain and Sodality Director, (who now lives with the Marianists in Cupertino as of spring, 2012), offered the Baccalaureate Mass in the Chaminade Chapel for the last graduating class from the Cheviot Hills site.

The **AERIE** yearbook, which never had a name change, is the home of the Eagle. All the Eagle's activities are centered around his nest. Since Chaminade has the nickname of "THE EAGLES," the yearbook was named the AERIE. "This was done because the yearbook is centered around the life and activities of the Chaminade students. The Aerie recaptures all the activities and memories of the school year. It serves to remind the students of what they have done and why they should be proud of their school."

1961-1962

BRO. VINCENT STEELE, principal, Canoga Park.

SOLEMN BLESSING OF CHAMINADE:

On April 1st, parents and friends of Chaminade joined with the faculty and students in "solemnly asking Almighty God to bless our school." These yearbook passages underscore the faith-filled attitude of the staff: *"The months of actual construction would not have ultimately met the success that they did without a many provident blessing from heaven...And the reason for this continued assistance of Providence was simple: God will not be outdone in generosity. For the success of the entire year was only possible because of the generosity of many individuals: the faculty, the students who continued with the school despite the great distance...and when people are willing to do this for a higher, spiritual motive, the guidance and protection of God is assured....If we at Chaminade can continue this same spirit of giving, we can be confident that the Dedication's Solemn Blessing will prove efficacious for years to come."*

Bro. Vincent Steel welcomed His Eminence **James Francis Cardinal McIntyre**, Archbishop of Los Angeles for the Solemn Blessing of School. The Dedication Program also indicates that Chaminade had the services of the Louisville Choir and Chanters who sang Gregorian classics such as *Veni Creator Spiritus*.

This year with the new campus and new buildings was viewed as Chaminade "making a fresh start."

RESIDENT DIVISION:

Approximately twenty-five boarding students are featured in the 1962 yearbook. Some boarders are pictured cleaning and buffing the dorm floor while others are cramming for finals. "In the resident Division at Chaminade, the education of young men is both complete and continuous. From morning till night, in school or out, the boarder constantly learns self-discipline, either self-discipline of the mind or of the body. Founded on a solid spiritual, intellectual, and physical basis, life as a boarder at Chaminade is vigorous and rewarding."

SODALITY: "The Sodality of Our Lady experienced this year a spirited revitalization, due largely to an active and effective Sodality Council. The Council did much to unify the efforts of the individual cells." Council meetings were established on a regular basis, and general meetings of the whole Sodality were called frequently. All Sodality activities were coordinated under a three-fold scheme, corresponding to the offices of *zeal*, *instruction*, and *temporalities* in the Society of Mary. Moreover, contacts with the larger Sodality organizations were maintained as **Fr. William O'Connell** accompanied students to the National Marianist Sodality Convention in Milwaukee and to the California Convention held at Serra High School. Within the school, the Sodality improved linkage with the Student Council through the Sodality Representative. Overall, the Sodality was hopeful that it had gone a little further to advance its own spiritual welfare and that of the whole school.

ORA ET LABORA – PRAYER AND WORK:

Blessed Chaminade founded the Society of Mary on the Rule of St. Benedict which had the motto **ORA ET LABORA**. The annual staff gave special mention to **Marianist Brothers Anthony Young and James Loughran**. "The work of these two men has been tremendous. Bro. Anthony who is responsible for all the landscaping...seeks occasionally the assistance of some of the resident students. Bro James is continuing at our new school in his work as supervisor of the cafeteria..." and "is in charge of the general maintenance of the entire school plant." The yearbook staff summarized: *"We would like to take this occasion to show them our appreciation and to thank them sincerely."*

The **COUNSELING DEPARTMENT** developed a comprehensive service for Chaminade students under the leadership of Bro. **Edward Maushart** assisted by Fr. **William O'Connell**. This year the work of the department was "greatly augmented by the allotting of several rooms and other facilities in the Administration Building solely for counseling. A collection of pamphlets, brochures and other guidance related materials is developing on an ongoing basis. The Chaminade students of coming years can look forward to even better things from the school's counseling department.

CALIFORNIA SCHOLARSHIP FEDRATION: Each year Chaminade participates in the California Scholarship Federation (CSF). To qualify, students must meet four out of the six semesters of their last three years. Requirements include a 3.25 scholastic average and participation in at least two extracurricular activities. It is hoped that this program will continue as one of Chaminade's best traditions.

1962-1963

BRO. VINCENT STEELE, principal, Canoga Park.

AERIE DEDICATED TO BRO. VINCENT STEELE:

Bro. Steele praised for working untiringly to keep Chaminade going. "Moving to the new location in Canoga Park was one of his outstanding tasks." Oftentimes "he had to rely solely upon our motto, 'Fortes in Fide, Strength in Faith,' to get through a tough situation. His determination and strength have made both Chaminade and the student body what it is today."

Bro. Vincent also celebrated his Silver Anniversary--twenty-five years as a Marianist Brother--for which AERIE further congratulated him in its 1963 dedication.

CHAMINADE MARIANISTS AFFIRMED:

In an introductory passage for the faculty section, an AERIE staff member states, "The Chaminade Marianists in particular have instilled into our entire faculty, administration, and student body the idea that a leader of any kind, but especially a teacher, must have *perseverance* and the ability to foster it in others; *enthusiasm* and a knack for making it infectious; *knowledge* and the ability to transmit it; he must know *discipline* and when to administer it; he must have *understanding* and strive to increase it between himself and his students; he must have *faith in his God, his students, and himself*....We of Chaminade should feel thankful; we have been blessed with more than our share of this type of men."

EXPECTATIONS FOR INVOLVEMENT:

Besides emphasizing student expectations for effort and achievement in the daily scholastic routine, the Marianist staff encouraged students to do more for Chaminade, to make it a "more enjoyable place for everyone," and to see students develop their own abilities more extensively through active participation in extra-curricular activities. It was felt according to the AERIE editors that these activities are "where we learn to be leaders, to learn to win and lose, to coordinate our abilities, and prepare for our Catholic adult life. They are designed to make each of us a whole man."

1963-1964

BRO. HUGH HOGANSON, president, Canoga Park.

BRO. GERALD O'NEIL, principal, Canoga Park.

FR. WILLIAM O'CONNELL:]

The 1964 yearbook was dedicated to Fr. William O'Connell to "in a small way express our deep appreciation for his efforts." Fr. O'Connell was cited for working long and hard for Chaminade in several positions—school chaplain, Jr./Sr. class counselor, Sodality, and Mother's Club moderator. One final comment from AERIE, "The most striking aspect of the good priest is his eternal willingness to help the student. Walk into his office, and immediately he puts down his work that he might talk to you and help you."

RESIDENTS: The Chaminade resident division is "a home away from home." The life of the resident is rather unique. There is the regular school day program of classes, activities, sports, and social life and then there is the living together in a family for almost thirty young men. Eating, playing, studying, praying together...Chaminade men from SOUTH OF THE BORDER, Hawaii, out of state; near and far, different interests, backgrounds, abilities living together. It is an experience that most of the resident students feel is a good one.

1964-1965

BRO. HUGH HOGANSON, president, Canoga Park.

FR. JOHN McENHILL, principal, Canoga Park.

BRO. GERALD O'NEIL:

Although Bro. Gerald O'Neil only served as Chaminade's principal briefly (less than 1.5 years) until "he was suddenly taken from Chaminade to another school in need of his ability," he was awarded a "Co-Dedication" by the yearbook staff. "With his leadership the students became deeply involved with the school and came to understand the faculty better. Bro. O'Neil also gave the students many responsibilities to help develop themselves.

CAFETORIUM GROUNDBREAKING: This building when completed would become the first addition to the original facilities on the high school campus. It was eventually named the Bob Hope Center after the famous actor comedian. Chaminade's president and director of development, Bro. Hugh Hoganson, was credited with conducting lengthy negotiations to make the cafetorium an accomplished fact.

SODALITY UPDATE:

The senior Sodality "cell" developed a plan of action by sending members to the various parishes to offer their services. The Sodalists successfully initiated a program to meet the needs put forth by the pastors "despite any and all obstacles."

1965-1966

BRO. HUGH HOGANSON, president, Canoga Park.

FR. JOHN McENHILL, principal, Canoga Park.

Assumes position of principal along with teaching French.

1966-1967

FR. JOHN McENHILL, principal, Canoga Park.

YEARBOOK DEDICATION...to Fr. William Joseph Chaminade and the local Marianists who are giving their lives to the vision of Fr. Chaminade "who are giving their lives for us."

1967-1968

FR. JOHN McENHILL, principal, Canoga Park.

Notes from: SESQUICENTENNIAL ISSUE of ChamiNotes

- 1) Marianist sesquicentennial celebrated Nov. 5, 1967, at Bob Hope Center for students, parents and friends with Mass followed by reception.

- 2) On Sept. 17, the Canoga Park Chapter of the Marianist League established. Fr. Robert Mackey, SM, addressed the charter members at their initial meeting. The purpose of the League: "is to be the other hand of Christ—the lay hand and six words spell out this purpose: liturgy, apostolate, social action, recruitment, ecumenism, and service."

BRO. FRANK SPAETH:

"This year the unanimous choice of Bro. Frank T. Spaeth, S.M. as 'our man of the year'—the person we want most to honor—took only a few seconds...We see in Brother a man of solid genuine character, an understanding kind gentleman who burns himself out day and night for resident and day student alike. To the former he is like father and mother; for the latter there is the image of Bro. Frank, the man in black covered with chalk moving rapidly about the class wringing every ounce of knowledge from his students. We see him giving hours of his time helping a guy with math, with his track time or with his personal problems. Come to school on a weekend or free day and you will find him repairing or construction something; not for himself—for Chaminade. We think he is great, because he never seeks recognition, he is cheerful, deeply religious—above all he is our friend. For these and a thousand other reasons, we The Class of 1968 dedicate this book to you, Brother Frank, hoping that it may in some way show our deep appreciation for your generous service to us."

SPIRITUAL LIFE: "In the day swirl of Chaminade life an underlying religious spirit continually manifests itself. A meaningful relationship with God is the objective of the spiritual activities that dot the school calendar." There are frequent opportunities to receive the sacraments—class Mass every two weeks and a monthly student body Mass. Both students and teachers search together for a deeper and more personal liturgy.

SPEECH and DEBATE:

BRO. WILLIAM McCALL, the club moderator, reflected "that significantly the year had shown that the future looks promising for the Chaminade Speech Club if the underclassmen continued their efforts in speech. The club turned in a good record with many first places and a few gold medals. The bright spot was the persistent winning ways of the novices."

1968-1969

FR. JOHN McENHILL, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. RONALD STALEY, principal, Chatsworth.

Fr. John left Chaminade in June to become principal of Riordan H.S., San Francisco."

BRO. LeROY VIERA assigned to Rome, Italy to become director of maintenance for the General Administration of the SM.

SINGER DENNIS DAY became honorary chairman and master of ceremonies June 2 at the first annual golf tournament.

CHATSWORTH and MIDDLE SCHOOL opens. Property leased from the Mercy Sisters.

1969-1970

Fall semester: **BRO. JOHN McCLUSKEY**, principal, Canoga Park.

Spring semester: **Bro. FRANK SPAETH**, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. RONALD STALEY, principal, Chatsworth.

1970-1971

BRO. FRANK SPAETH, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. RONALD STALEY, principal, Chatsworth.

CHEMISTRY/PHYSICS CLASSES BENEFIT FROM COMPUTERS:

The school was "very grateful for the acquisition of three computers, manufactured by Monroe and valued at \$10,000." The Science department has greatly benefited using these computers in classes. The school was able to inaugurate a completely new course—computer programming.

HIGH SIERRA CLUB:

This eighth year of the Chaminade High Serra program "found Bro. McCall and his intrepid hikers in the Kings' Canyon National Forest area...The rough physical demands leave every hiker with a feeling of true accomplishment." The Sierra trip "not only builds the Chaminade man physically, but also builds him in leadership and responsibility."

FRONTLINE:

The members of FRONTLINE, along with students from Louisville and Canoga Park, tutor students from K to 6. Most of the students taught are of Mexican American descent and all are to spend extra time on their studies. At the Guadalupe Center these students are given individual attention which many times they do not receive in school.

1971-1972

BRO. FRANK SPAETH, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. RONALD STALEY, principal, Chatsworth,

RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS:

The Religious Affairs Committee is "responsible for organizing all religious matters." FR. OYABU heads this committee as chaplain on the Canoga campus and Fr. Bach runs the spiritual activities on the Chatsworth campus.

DEDICATION STATEMENT:

"The AERIE staff dedicates this yearbook to the 20ieth Anniversary of the existence of Chaminade Preparatory. We hope that the school will continue its existence for at least another twenty years."

CHAMINADE BECOMES COEDUCATIONAL: Two girls enrolled followed by 100 girls in fall, 1972.

1972-1973

BRO. RICHARD BRITTON, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. RONALD STALEY, principal, Chatsworth.

CLASS DISTINCTIONS:

The Class of 1973 four years previously became the first freshman class on the Canoga Park campus. It also can claim the distinction of being the last non-coed class to graduate from Chaminade Preparatory.

1973-1974

MR. RONALD STALEY, president.

FR. RAYMOND MALLEY, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. DAVID REEVES, principal, Chatsworth.

SECOND DEDICATION to BRO. FRANK SPAETH:

The AERIE staff proudly dedicated its yearbook to Bro. Frank Spaeth, beloved teacher, coach, and administrator. "Nothing we could say can convey what Bro. Frank means to us, so we asked the student body at large and were told: Brother Frank is always in there pitching...the one who makes sports happen; without him there would be nothing in sports...a true friend when you need one...one who says 'hello' and means it...the one who made me feel a part of Chaminade...concerned about you...one who truly believes in all of us."

1974-1975

MR. RONALD STALEY, president.

BRO. EDWARD T. CAREY, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. DAVID REEVES, principal, Chatsworth.

FORENSICS:

Chaminade's Speech Team once again proved themselves up to the competition given by the Southern California Forensics Association, faring well in league and invitational matches.

1975-1976

MR. RONALD STALEY, president.

FR. RAYMOND MALLEY, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. DAVID REEVES, principal, Chatsworth.

DEDICATION TO BROTHER CAREY FOR '76:

"We dedicate the 1976 AERIE to Bro. Edward Carey, S.M., our Vice-President and friend. Bro. Carey is a vital part of Chaminade. Apart from all the work he does, there is a special relationship between him and the students. It isn't Administration to student, it's friend to friend. Bro. Carey is always there, waiting with a cheery smile and a pat on the back. His 'How are you doing?' is known to all Chaminade. Bro. Carey has only been here for two years, but he made himself one of the family so quickly that it seems he's been here for years. We hope that he spends many more happy years with us. Thanks, Bro. Carey, from all of us."

FROM CHAMINOTES:

-ROBERT WAGNERS HEAD BLDG. PROGRAM: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wagner accepted the honorary chairmanship of Chaminade College Prep's new development plan. Mrs. Wagner is better known as the famous actress, Natalie Wood.

1976-1977

MR. RONALD STALEY, president.

BRO. WILLIAM FARRELL, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. DAVID REEVES, principal, Chatsworth.

25TH ANNIVERSARY issue of AERIE DEDICATED to MARIANISTS WHO HELPED START CHAMINADE: Bro. John Perko, Fr. John McEnhill, Bros. Roland Hinger, Robert Maguire, and William McCall.

IN MEMORIAM:

Bro. Edward Carey, 1926-1977, who lost a long battle with cancer. He held office of principal and vice-president of Chaminade for two years.

1977-1978

MR. RONALD STALEY, president.

BRO. WILLIAM FARRELL, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. DAVID REEVES, principal, Chatsworth.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION of Chaminade held with concelebrated Mass in front of main office followed by dinner and dancing in the Student Center. The program was dedicated with "affection, respect, and gratitude to Bro. John Perko, founder and first principal."

FROM CHAMINOTES:

"Chaminade College Preparatory will break ground next May for a new \$200,000 science wing, with construction set to begin no later than June 1978." (*Announced by Pres. Ron Staley and Vice President. Fr. John McEnhill*).

1978-1979

MR. RONALD STALEY, president.

BRO. WILLIAM FARRELL, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. DAVID REEVES, principal, Chatsworth.

YEARBOOK DEDICATED to BRO. WILLIAM FARRELL:

Bro. Farrell receives dedication from the 1979 AERIE staff. Bro. Farrell's response in letter addressed *Dear Students*: "I hope that in ten or twenty years wherever you may be, you will take the time that is necessary to feed the hungry; give drink to the thirsty; comfort the stranger; clothe the naked and visit those who are sick or in prison...By healing and caring for each other it is possible to make the world a better place for future generations...Now the challenge has been given to you to become good persons, persons who are more interested in giving than in receiving, brave enough to stand up for what you believe, and like Christ always willing to help and forgive."

LIFE: (Living in Faith Experience): "For ten days during the summer of 1978, twenty members of the Chaminade family went to a retreat in the Santa Cruz Mountains known as the Life Workshop. The Life Workshop has grown throughout the past year and has played a prominent role in the spiritual life of our school."

FROM CHAMINOTES: "\$100,000 OFFER OPENS GYMNASIUM CAMPAIGN...providing the school raises \$200,000 within the next two years...Mr. and Mrs. Uribe accepted honorary chairmanship of the Gymnasium Campaign Committee...Final cost approximately \$500,000."

1979-1980

MR. RONALD STALEY, president.

BRO. ROBERT MAGUIRE, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. CHARLES FATOOH, principal, Chatsworth.

YEARBOOK DEDICATION to BRO. WILLIAM McCALL:

"*Academic excellence* is the expression that best characterize the goal of the Chaminade faculty. One of the teachers most responsible for this reputation is Bro. William McCall. He has been with us since 1957 and is considered one of the founding brothers. The students of the Canoga Park campus recognize him for his commitment to learning and his ability to communicate with others. Besides teaching English, he is moderator of the High Sierra Club, which has been active in summer treks in the wilderness. The student body wishes to express appreciation for his outstanding work and acknowledge his contribution to our school."

LIFE update: "The LIFE group meets each Sunday night during the school year. During the summer of 1979, ten members of the group participated in the week-long LIFE retreat held in the Santa Cruz Mountains near San Jose. Other participating students were from Los Angeles, San Jose, San Francisco, and Hawaii."

CAMPUS MINISTRY:

"The purpose of campus ministry is to promote Christian growth and development among the total school community." This year service areas were in *liturgical events, programs to develop and improve Christian attitudes, and involvement in Christian service*. The religious affairs singing group attempts to promote student body involvement at Mass.

1980-1981

MR. RONALD STALEY, president.

BRO. ROBERT MAGUIRE, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. CHARLES FATOOH, principal, Chatsworth.

FROM CHAMINOTES:

1) Actor ROBERT CONRAD named Honorary Director of Chaminade's AAU-sanctioned October *Reservoir Run*.

2) "DALLAS" STAR LINDA GRAY TO APPEAR AT HOMECOMING: "Miss Gray is a former Chaminade Homecoming Queen, and now plays J.R.'s wife, Sue Ellen, on the highly touted CBS series."

3) CHAMINADE VICE PRESIDENT, FR. JOHN McENHILL CELEBRATES 25th anniversary of ordination.

Fr. McEnhill's association with Chaminade began with the opening of the school in 1952 when, as a young Brother, he was part of the initial faculty. He returned as chief administrator of Chaminade in 1964. During his tenure, Father inaugurated numerous improvements at Chaminade. He introduced a creative salary scale for its teachers and brought in the first retirement and disability insurance program for them. The Bob Hope Center, the resident student dormitory and biology laboratories were all constructed under his administration. He also arranged the first lease of what is now the Chatsworth Campus, thereby introducing seventh and eighth grade programs to Chaminade for a full six-year system. In 1969 Father John was named principal of Riordan H.S. in San Francisco, where he remained until his return to Chaminade in 1976...Since his return to Chaminade as vice-president, Father John has directed the recently successful campaign to fund the Uribe Sports Center. Aside from his administrative duties, he also serves in campus ministry and in counseling at Chatsworth.

4) ALUMNI REPEAT *Career Night*: "Last year's successful Alumni/Student Career Night will be repeated this September. The career counseling program is especially vital to juniors and seniors...but it is open to all students and their parents."

1981-1982

MR. RONALD STALEY, president.

BRO. ROBERT MAGUIRE, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. DAVID REEVES, principal, Chatsworth.

"The KAIROS retreat program is under the supervision of Fr. Allen DeLong. He attends each retreat as the Spiritual and Retreat Director...The retreat itself is a well-kept secret and is held up in the hills of Santa Barbara. The retreatants return with a new sense of brotherhood and self-worth. The Christian love discovered is, hopefully, a lasting one."

CHRISTIAN ACTION MOVEMENT (CAM):

CAM is "a group of students here at Chaminade dedicated to the idea of living through loving." The group visits the Spastic's Children Foundation and the West Park Convalescent Home. When CAM travels down to a boys' orphanage in Tecate, Mexico, the participants play soccer in the dirt fields with the boys.

FROM CHAMINOTES: LOOKING TOWARD OUR 30th YEAR:

"As Chaminade nears a third decade of community service, its faithful advocates look to the past with pride and to the future with confidence—confidence born of success. Academic standards attained in the past by Chaminade have earned extensive recognition...Growth factors in terms of increased facilities, courses, staff, and enrollment have been astonishing throughout its thirty years...The Master Development Plan, which has successfully produced the Chaminade Science Wing and the Uribe Sport Center in the last six years, continues in effect for the future. Remaining on the plan are the Theater Arts Building and the Canoga Park Campus Chapel...But most important Chaminade's primary objective remains the basis of motivation—to develop in each student a responsibility to the Ultimate as well as the immediate. As a Catholic school, God must be the anchor-point from which inquiring young minds pursue the truth, and the Source from which our children will become the mature, productive citizens of tomorrow's world."

CHAMINADE – THEN:

“In October of 1952, former Archbishop James McIntyre officially dedicated a new high school in California, setting the stage for thirty years of outstanding academic achievement and spiritual guidance...Only months before, the archbishop had requested Bro. John Perko, S.M., to establish a school in the West Los Angeles area. The indomitable Brother began the task with little more than faith, determination, and the incredibly meager sum of \$9,000...Brother Perko’s search for a site ended with a former academy on Cattaraugus Street in Cheviot Hills. The buildings were severely rundown, and the grounds resembled a jungle. Nonetheless our beloved founder saw the potential...In July of 1952 he set to work, gathering the aid of fellow Marianists Fr. Don Bracht, Bro. Henry Honnert, Bro. James Loughran, Bro. John McEnhill, and Bro. Eugene Zapp. Together they labored like pioneers in an undeveloped wilderness, painting, building, begging, and bartering for supplies and equipment...Within only two months, the buildings were spotless, the lawns were renovated, a chapel and library were built, and an outer building was converted to a chemistry lab. By September 1952, the brothers of the Society of Mary were ready for their first entrants, and they named the new school Chaminade in memory of their order’s founder, Father Chaminade.”

THE BEGINNING:

“To some, the beginning would have seemed inauspicious. Chaminade High School for Boys opened with only four classrooms, six teachers and 113 students, including the senior class with a total enrollment of three boys! For the brothers, however, 1952 was a triumph. From those humble origins, the school evolved so rapidly that the Cheviot Hills facilities became inadequate. In 1960 land was purchased in Canoga Park, and in 1961, with construction completed, Principal Bro. Vincent Steele moved Chaminade to its present location...As the school’s superior academic record became known, applications for enrollment increased drastically. By early in 1969, the necessity of further expansion was obvious, and Chaminade administration negotiated a lease for the present Chatsworth campus. In the fall of 1969, Chaminade opened both campuses, advancing from a four-year to a six-year educational program...During 1971, in order to again meet community needs, the decision was made to provide a coeducational program, and the first young ladies arrived in February, 1972...As this unexpected period of growth developed, the Marianists transferred ownership of the school to a local corporation governed by a 12-member Board of Directors, which includes Marianists, lay teachers and administrators, and business and professional persons from the community. At that time, the name of the institution was changed to Chaminade College Preparatory.”

CHAMINADE TODAY (Sept. 1981):

“Today Chaminade has 1,250 students, thirty-one classrooms, five science labs, two libraries, two cafeterias and assembly halls, two baseball fields, football fields and tracks, and nine outdoor basketball courts. Construction of our long-awaited Sport Center was completed in May of 1981, providing one of the finest facilities in the city...At present there are seventy-five members of staff, nine academic departments and ninety-four course offerings, plus a complete athletic program and twenty-seven student activity clubs...In retrospect, such growth is phenomenal. And it is to the credit of the entire Chaminade Family that the school has attained this measure of success. Let us thank God for the blessings of these past years and pray for His continued grace and guidance.”

CHAMINADE’S PREVIOUS RESIDENT DORMITORY has been transformed into a modern and valuable asset for the Canoga Park campus, providing six more school classrooms and sorely needed office space...Much as Chaminade regretted having to close the residency program, demands for this service diminished each year. Finally, a decision was made to convert the seventeen-year-old structure, and renovation was begun last summer...The major overhaul has resulted in large, light and airy classrooms equal to the best contemporary standards. The three facilities downstairs will provide *art, mechanical drawing, and drama/mass communications* classrooms. Those upstairs will be utilized for speech, math, and English classes...The Fine Arts Department, in particular, has been enhanced by the renovation. Mrs. Juliet Rohde, Department Head, has worked under severely confined conditions in the past.

1982-1983

BRO. WILLIAM McCALL, president.

BRO. ROBERT MAGUIRE, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. DAVID REEVES, principal, Chatsworth.

SUPPORT GROUPS:

"The Boosters' Club, Parents' Association, Les Dames, and the Alumni have given Chaminade invaluable support ranging from monetary assistance and enthusiasm to a variety of services and a sharing of personal expertise. The Boosters have contributed greatly to the development of the athletic program. Additional library materials and other school improvements are realized through the assistance of the Parents' Association. Les Dames faithfully host special recognition events, and the alumni make our annual career night a memorable occasion."

A MESSAGE OF WELCOME FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT:

"St. Thomas More, late friend of Henry VII of England, often spoke of the joyous heart of the convinced, practicing Christian. It is my hope that all of us in the Chaminade family can enter the new school year with such a gift of heart, which can only be tested and strengthened by the various problems and stress all of us are subject to, as participants in the human condition."

"Staying with the theme of participation, I hope each student will avail himself of the academic opportunities offered to him/her. Also, joining with pure academics in fostering an enjoyable educational experience at Chaminade, are our extensive extra-curricular offerings: sports, drama, competitive forensics, fencing, etc. Giving ultimate purpose to these activities and helping define their purpose and value, will be our campus-sponsored spiritual activities and opportunities for guidance and spiritual growth. In this we certainly welcome our non-Catholic sisters and brothers in Christ, for much in this aspect of Chaminade's Marianist education transcends individual doctrinal differences. We do know the Spirit breathes where He will, and we are all one in God's love...Again, Welcome! Join with us. Participate! All is for the best regarding the students and the sustaining and improvement of Marianist education here at Chaminade."—*In Christ, Bro. Wm. McCall, S.M., President Chaminade Preparatory*

FR. McENHILL NAMED PRINCIPAL:

In the absence Bro. Robert Maguire who is on academic assignment in St. Louis, Fr. John McEnhill, S.M., is a familiar face to the Chaminade Family. He was a faculty member on the original Cheviot Hills campus and served as principal at Canoga Park from 1964 to 1969. He returned to Chaminade in 1976 as Vice-Principal and Coordinator of Development...Father holds master's degrees in School Administration, Counseling and Educational Psychology, and was completing his doctoral program when asked to fill in the vacancy at Chaminade.

ALUMNI HONORS RAUSER:

This year the Chaminade Alumni presented their fourth annual "Distinguished Service Award" to Joe Rauser, a member of the Chaminade family for 18 years. His varied contributions to Chaminade include teaching English, religion, history and coaching basketball, football, and cross country. His enthusiasm in the classroom and for his teams in competition is renown. Mr. Rauser served as dorm director for two years and has also held the position of Dean of Boys and Assistant Principal. He is an extremely popular and familiar figure on the Chatsworth Campus. He has given unselfishly of himself for the benefit of the Chaminade Family. *Joe Rauser, We Thank You!"*

1983-1984

BRO. WILLIAM McCALL, president.

MR. DAVID G. REEVES, first laymen principal, Canoga Park.

MR. STEPHEN MUSSACK, principal, Chatsworth.

YEARBOOK DEDICATION to Mrs. Juliet Rohde who has brought many things to Chaminade: "happiness, laughter, and her knowledge as an actress and director." She has taught classes which include drama, film, and mass communications.

1984-1985

BRO. WILLIAM McCALL, president.

BRO. MARIO PARIANTE, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. STEPHEN MUSSACK, principal, Chatsworth.

BRO. MARIO PARIANTE HEADS CANOGA PARK CAMPUS:

"Bro. William McCall, S.M., and the Chaminade Board of Directions have appointed Bro. Mario Pariente, S.M., to the position of Principal of the senior high campus. Bro. Mario holds an M.A. degree in history from Columbia University with background experience in mathematics. Prior to teaching history and moderating student activities in our high school last year, Bro. Mario taught at Chaminade H.S. in Mineola, NY. Former principal David Reeves has requested to return to his first love, classroom teaching."

MARIANIST CENTENNIAL MASS AND OPEN HOUSE:

"On September 4, 1884, into what was then the Gold Rush-era Diocese of Grass Valley in the foothills of the Sierras, the first Marianists arrived from the mid-West. Their work of education begun that day has continued throughout the state. The Centenary of their arrival in California will be marked locally with a special Mass of Thanksgiving to be celebrated Sunday, October 28, 1984, beginning at 2:00 p.m. on the patio of the Marianist Community 23241 Cohasset Street, adjoining the Canoga Park campus. The principal celebrant of the Mass will be the Very Rev. John F. Bolin, S.M., the Provincial of the Pacific Province. All Chaminade families are warmly invited to attend this important event of our Marianists."

DEDICATION to Mr. David Reeves:

"A Chaminade alumnus, Mr. David G. Reeves, has devoted more time and energy to the school than probably is measurable. He has served as an educator, as principal of both the Chatsworth and Canoga Park campuses, and as moderator of numerous clubs, notably Radio and Computer. Mr. Reeves, along with his wife, Chemistry teacher Mrs. Bernie Reeves, spent the better part of this last summer at Chaminade, cleaning out the Canoga Park science labs preparatory to returning to teaching full force, and aiding in Chaminade's complete operational computerization. Mr. Dave Reeves is a living example of Christian love and devotion who shines his inspirational light before all of us at Chaminade."

1985-1986

BRO. WILLIAM McCALL, president.

BRO. MARIO PARIANTE, principal, Canoga Park.

MR. STEPHEN MUSSACK, principal, Chatsworth.

PEER MINISTRY is an ever-growing group of seniors who have completed Kairos and have devoted themselves to helping in Campus Ministry by preparing for the Sophomore T.E.C. and Kairos retreats and by running their reunions. They make the lives of all those involved in Campus Ministry go a little easier by making sure these events go somewhat smoothly."

1986-1987

FR. ALLEN DeLONG, president.

BRO. MARIO PARIANTE, principal, West Hills. (Note WEST HILLS name change from CANOGA PARK).

MR. STEPHEN MUSSACK, principal, Chatsworth.

NEW PRESIDENT:

"Fr. Allen DeLong comes to us with a highly qualified background. He entered the Society of Mary in 1952 and was ordained a priest in 1977. Fr. Allen has taught at Marianist schools in Hawaii and San Francisco. In 1964 he was founding principal of Mitty High School in San Jose...Fr. Allen was here at Chaminade from 1978 through 1979, became Director of the Marianist Formation Community in Cupertino, returning to Chaminade in 1980. His numerous duties at Chaminade have included teacher, counselor, coordinator of Campus Ministry, and Vice President of the school and member of the Board of Directors."

1987-1988

FR. ALLEN DeLONG, president.

BRO. WILLIAM CAMPBELL, principal, West Hills.

MR. STEPHEN MUSSACK, principal, Chatsworth.

AERIE dedicates yearbook to **DENNIS HAAS**, who is not an alumnus, a faculty member, or a parent of a Chaminade student. "He has humbly assisted those of the Chaminade family, never seeking any type of recognition or reward." Dennis grew up in San Francisco, graduating from Riordan H.S. and was a physics student in Fr. Allen DeLong's class. Dennis is considered by Fr. Allen as "one of the most generous volunteers Chaminade has."

1988-1989

FR. ALLEN DeLong, president.

BRO. WILLIAM CAMPBELL, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, first laywoman principal, Chatsworth.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Fr. Allen DeLong's spring letter to "Friends of Chaminade" underscores a "year of growth and adjustment. The move of the ninth grade to the West Hills campus is an event that has highlighted our whole year. Everything has been reviewed in light of the additional students on the campus and the needs and personality of a new class...The adjustment on the Chatsworth campus has also been felt by all the faculty and students. The school has a completely different character without the ninth grade on campus...Plans for the addition of the sixth-grade next year have excited the faculty and created an atmosphere of expectation."

PRINCIPAL BRO. WILLIAM J. CAMPBELL / REFLECTIONS ON KAIROS SENIORS' RETREAT:

"To see students coming back from retreats spreading the joy and love that they have experienced continues to remind us how much God must be part of our life and the lives of our families. The formation in faith and values, a sense of community and family are all reminders that a Catholic school has much to offer to meet the needs of our own life and the needs of our society...We as a Catholic school named after the Founder of the Marianists, follow in Father Chaminade's footsteps, dedicating our life and our school to the Blessed Virgin Mary who 'pondered all things in her heart'. As a Catholic school we are trying to educate (educare—to draw out of) our young people and to have them ponder the important values of life. We ask them to bring out the best in themselves as characterized by self-discipline, self-determination, a sense of compassion for oneself and others and most of all, a sense of love and care for oneself and for others...The school, then, tries to be a place where it is safe to grow into the image of Jesus Christ, supported by the efforts of the faculty who are

dedicated to bring out the best in each student...Through its retreat program Chaminade continues to acknowledge that we are all loved and that we are all lovable...Chaminade continues to be the instrument of God's love for so many people. We ask God's blessing upon us as we continue to strive to overcome our mistakes and frailties and to continue to spread His love in the San Fernando Valley. As the closing line in Les Miserables states: 'when we see the face of the one you love, you see the face of God'."

REVIEW of SCENERY CHANGES at HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS:

Expansion since 1952 with the move from the Cheviot Hills area campus to the West Hills location includes the building of the Bob Hope Student Center in 1965, the leasing of the Chatsworth campus in 1969 (later purchased in 1987), deciding to go co-ed in 1972 and completion of the Uribe Sports Center in 1981. Through the efforts of the Chaminade Boosters, the football field is now the scene of night football games and meets. The new stadium and lights, built and installed in 1986, provide a welcome and dramatic change to the campus. On Nov. 2, 1988, it was announced that new buildings will replace the modulares which are currently in use due to the ninth grade move to West Hills in the fall of '88. Students, parents, faculty, and administration eagerly await the projected new buildings on the West Hills campus.

DEDICATION to MRS. DUNN:

Mrs. Amanda Dunn, Campus Ministry Secretary, is considered by students as "a friend, confidante, and mom to students of Chaminade. Her job as Campus Ministry Secretary goes far beyond typing retreat lists and copying song books! It is with appreciation and love that the 1988-89 *AERIE* is dedicated to Mrs. Amanda Dunn!"

RECOGNITION FOR DENNIS HAAS:

"At the Founder's Day Mass we were very excited and proud to have our own Dennis Haas recognized with a Founder's Day award. Although he has a full-time job, for many years Dennis has voluntarily supported various school activities and has documented student efforts with eloquent photos. Dennis works especially hard and long on our senior retreat program, Kairos. His generous donation of self is God's blessing to us. A volunteer such as Dennis shows us and the seniors, in a very real way, what Love in Action is."

1989-1990

FR. ALLEN DeLONG, president.

BRO. WILLIAM CAMPBELL, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

FAREWELL TO BRO. BILL CAMPBELL:

After three years serving as principal at Chaminade College Preparatory, West Hills, Bro. Bill Campbell has been appointed to become Assistant Provincial of the Marianist Province of the Pacific. He has been noted for implementing these changes: bringing the ninth class to the upper campus, adding new classrooms to accommodate these new students, and adding a number of improvements in the athletic program.

FOUNDERS DAY SHINES for MR. JOE RAUSER and MR. DAVID REEVES:

"Late in February, the Chaminade family observed its second Founders Day in the Uribe Sports Center. This special day gives all of us the opportunity to express our gratitude to those who have given themselves in support of our school...This year's honorees were very special since they represent the most important resource an institution of learning can have—devoted teachers who love what they do. For twenty-five years of service to Chaminade, Mr. Joe Rauser and Mr. David Reeves were recognized by Fr. Allen DeLong and presented with medallions by Mrs. Maria Uribe." Bishop Armando X. Ochoa was principal celebrant assisted by Marianist concelebrants Frs. Allen DeLong, John McEnhill and Larry Mann.

1990-1991

FR. ALLEN DeLONG, president.

MR. THOMAS MORAN, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

STUDENT INTERESTS: "Chaminade student interests go beyond Speech and Debate and Drama. Clubs range from athletic activities not yet recognized teams to social concerns to academic and political interests. They show their concern for the world with the Conservation Club, Key Club, and Amnesty International, and try to experience new cultures through the Asian-American Club. Keeping a SADD and Staying Alive club going proves that not all teenagers are selfish and uncaring. The students prove that they care about what is happening around them, and that they really can make a difference, and have fun doing so."

1991-1992

FR. ALLEN DeLONG, president.

MR. THOMAS MORAN, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

CAMPUS MINISTRY—at the HIGH SCHOOL:

"'The unexamined life is not worth living,' said Socrates. But what about unexamined hearts? If we constantly seek distraction, we will never have the time for looking inward. Yet, what is in our hearts determines what we are...The retreat program at West Hills gives our students time, space, and direction where they can look inward. They are encouraged to look inward to find out more about themselves, their relationship with God, and their relationships with their families and friends...We are encouraged by fact that students of all religious denominations are making it a point to attend a retreat...Our students are enthused about the retreat program. An impressive 72% of the student body has made a retreat this past year...After one of our retreats, the following letter was found:"

"Dear God,

Thank you for this wonderful retreat. I have met many new friends or have gotten to know some old friends better. It was a very enlightening experience, and I would like to lead a retreat some day and spread the joy and the messages that you have sent to us. Please help us to have more fun days like these and to give us the strength to love everyone, not hold grudges, and remember to follow the Golden Rule.

Thank you, Me!"

1992-1993

FR. ALLEN DeLONG, president.

MR. THOMAS MORAN, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

40 YEARS REMEMBERED:

"On the 40th anniversary of Chaminade College Preparatory, we acknowledge how exceptional our school has graphically portrayed the leadership, drive, and spirit of our student body. Spiritually, Chaminade life was an underlying religious spirit which continually manifested itself. This spirit became most evident when the student body entered in common worship and attended Mass every two weeks with their class, and monthly with the entire student body. Throughout the years of Chaminade, both teachers and students searched together for a deeper and more personal liturgy.

Life at Chaminade was an experience which was complete and thorough in both academics and everyday life. To the resident students, Chaminade was both a home and school. It contained a full academic spectrum and challenged the students with activities, a loving atmosphere of fellowship, and a spirit which was both engaging and alive.

Although the Chaminade curriculum is college orientated, not simply academic achievement is stressed. No, a deeper understanding and respect for persons and a vivid social awareness are deliberate by products of the school. Parents, students, and faculty combine in a joint effort to build an organization that makes the words, 'Christian living' take on a true perspective.

Chaminade prides itself on providing a well-rounded lifestyle for each individual student. It offers a wonderful education, an inspiring religious perspective, and it especially influences the students in how to socially survive in modern times."

Here's what a couple of graduates said about their graduation from Chaminade:

1) "People who normally would have gotten lost in a larger community seem to have a sense of being found at Chaminade. The school went out of their way to diversify itself. Although we were a Catholic school, a lot of room was made for non-Catholics. They made room for alternative thought." ('76).

2) "I think the liberal aspect of the school is good because it allows the students to express themselves...I thought Chaminade was strong. We were good at everything...I see Chaminade springing forward and far and getting involved with the new technological teaching aids that will have an impact on the students and change Chaminade completely." ('93).

BREAKING NEW GROUND:

"A cloud of dust arose as the bulldozers began the construction on the improved Chaminade Fine Arts facility...Students will be occupying the Fine Arts building beginning in the 1993-94 school year. The facility will include nineteen new classrooms each."

1993-1994

FR. ALLEN DeLONG, president.

Fr. DeLong has been with CCP for over fifteen years. He began as a counselor at the Chatsworth campus, and later became head of campus ministry and vice president of the middle school. In 1986, Father Allen became president of both campuses. Aside from this major office, Fr. DeLong teaches a senior physics class. He also presides over our masses and leads Kairos retreats.

MR. CHARLES POTTS, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

NATURAL DISASTERS RAVAGE: The Santa Ana winds, on the first day of their autumn arrival, brought some of the worst fires Southern California has ever see. Although the fire never threatened Chaminade, ash and smoke did envelop the school on more than one occasion. The fires destroyed more than five hundred homes and severely threatened many homes of Chaminade students living in Topanga and Box Canyons.

6.8 EARTHQUAKE STRIKES THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY: On Jan. 17, at 4:31 a.m., a devastating earthquake awoke the entire valley. Centered in Reseda, but known as the "Northridge Quake," it was the biggest quake to hit Southern California in the 20ieth Century. Chaminade made out with very minor damage, although Chaminade Hall at the middle school campus was heavily damaged. The earthquake displayed once again the ability of people from different walks of life to assist each other in times of need.

CHAMINADE ALMA MATER

*"Up in the hills were Chaminade stands
We strive for our future, we make our plans
Boldness we will show and daring we will be
We are the Eagles as everyone shall see*

*Blue is for bravery and Orange is our cheer
Together they'll keep us united each year
Cherish every memory and remember every day
The 'High Flying Eagles' of Chaminade
All the way!"*

CORRESPONDENCE to the Chaminade Board of Directors from REV. QUENTIN HAKENEWERTH, Superior General of the Society of Mary, following his visit to the campuses in February of 1994. His office is located in Rome, Italy: "First of all, the student body reflects a multicultural society which is a growing reality throughout the world. This is perhaps the most important and most urgent lesson needed in the world today. We saw this lesson being taught and learned at Chaminade.... Secondly, Chaminade is definitely a Catholic school, although many of the students are not Catholics. When we asked the students about this, one of them said, '*At Chaminade the Catholic viewpoint is clearly presented, but it is not shoved down our throats. There is a great respect for every religion represented on campus.*' We found the students to be proud of the diversity and of the harmony created out of it. This ecumenical reality at Chaminade is an encouraging example that respect, and unity are possible in a diversity of religious beliefs...The third impression is of the participative style of education taking place at Chaminade. We noticed this among the administrative staff itself, as well as between the students and the administration and staff. The students feel that they have a real responsibility for their school and a real participation in its governance. As one student said, '*We cannot govern ourselves, but we do share in running the school. Our ideas are accepted, and they are often put into practice.*' At Chaminade we found both the mentality and the structures necessary for real participative governance is the way of the future." (From: *A Report to Friends, 1992-1994*)

CAMPUS MINISTRY – The Marianist Tradition - Alive at Chaminade:

From Oct. 12-16th, chief administrators, and campus ministers of all Marianist schools in the United States met in West Palm Beach, Florida, to discuss programs at our schools that have as their goal, *growth in faith*. The following are tenets of the Marianist Philosophy of Education: 1) *Community and Family Spirit*; 2) *Formation in Faith*; 3) *Educating the Whole Person*; 4) *The Marian Attitude*; and 5) *Service Leadership*.

1994-1995

FR. ALLEN DE LONG, president.

Mr. Charles Potts, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

AERIE DEDICATION - MRS. BARBARA TWEEDY:

Mrs. Barbara Tweedy has taught at Chaminade since the late 70ies. An Advanced Placement English teacher, Mrs. Tweedy has been advisor for both the newspaper and literary magazine. Throughout the years, Mrs. Tweedy has become a Chaminade institution as well as one of the perks of senior year, as most seniors are fortunate enough to have her for a teacher. She brings to her students an enthusiasm for English as well as a fun atmosphere in the classroom that few teachers can. She is also an intense dedicated teacher that expects nothing short of perfection from her students. Mrs. Tweedy only wants the best, and students find they often work very hard in her class. Because of her dedication to Chaminade and her ability to reach the students she teaches, the '95 Aerie staff is very proud to dedicate this year's yearbook to Mrs. Tweedy.

CAMPUS MINISTRY:

When Chaminade students think of Campus Ministry, they think of retreats. Most importantly retreatants come away knowing how much they are loved, which benefits them in every other aspect of their lives. Campus Ministry is also responsible for the beautiful masses held on campus. From readings, music, decoration, and setup. Campus Ministry and the LIFE team are involved in it all. Through the Masses, campus ministry gives Chaminade students a chance to come together in worship. There are many things that most students aren't aware of about Campus Ministry. Campus Ministry is also involved in the Front-Line food drives and outreach programs to the needy.

THE COMMUNITY SERVICE PEOPLE / FRONTLINE and KEY CLUB:

What clubs at Chaminade are full of generous and caring young adults? The answer can be found in the Chaminade Frontline and Key Club, which are both community service clubs. Throughout the year, these clubs enjoy many different events that the members return to time after time. Both clubs stress the values of Chaminade. We believe in helping and supporting our communities. These organizations represent the Chaminade family in our community.

FROM "A Report to Friends, 1994-1995," The Chaminade Mission, Vision and Tenets:

The Chaminade Mission

Chaminade College Preparatory collaborates with the families it serves to provide a challenging Catholic education for young men and women in the Marianist tradition. This tradition, grounded in the values of Jesus, educates the whole person while emphasizing family spirit in a nurturing, caring environment, attentive to the moral, spiritual, and religious development of the students. Chaminade prepares college-bound students throughout their middle and high school years in a rigorous program of academic excellence. Students from a diversity of cultural, religious, and economic backgrounds come together for an active and varied curricular and extracurricular program.

The mission of Chaminade College Preparatory is to form morally aware and academically capable people to be Outstanding contributors to the future.

The Chaminade Vision

Chaminade College Preparatory will be a dynamic educational community based on strong Catholic values marked by the nurturing and empowering spirit of the Marianist Tradition. Chaminade will pursue this commitment by providing an inclusive Catholic education that unites academic and religious perspectives in the pursuit of excellence. Chaminade will impart wisdom and promote spiritual and moral growth. Emphasizing high achievement in grade 6 through 12, Chaminade will serve college-bound, young men and women who seek to develop their whole being and who are committed to continuing their education. Chaminade is a college preparatory school that will continue to make a difference.

Chaminade will maintain a secure and safe environment where students feel empowered, challenged, and nurtured. Chaminade will provide an extracurricular program of sports and activities that will emphasize excellence and strength of character. Utilizing current technology and advancements in the access of information, Chaminade will spark an integration of the past and the future. Heritage will meet vision.

Chaminade commits itself to balancing and integrating its curriculum, inspiring critical thinking and problem solving. Chaminade commits itself to the eternal verities of the human spirit and to creating and energizing continuous learners. Chaminade commits itself to model and instill a respect and acceptance for others. Chaminade reaches out to the underprivileged. Primary in purpose, Chaminade College Preparatory commits itself to its students.

The Chaminade Tenets

*Chaminade College Preparatory is a Catholic School in the Marianist Tradition
With a strong core of shared values.*

We are guided by the Marianist philosophy and tradition, emphasizing formation in faith, campus ministry, and spiritual development.

We participate in the mission of the Catholic

Church to live out the Good News of Jesus Christ.

*We strive to prepare our students to be religiously aware and
morally responsible contributors to the future,
committed through service to the ongoing creation of a just society.*

*We educate the whole person (spiritual, emotional, mental,
aesthetical, and physical) so our students may reach their
full potential as persons of God in all they do.*

*We educate in a community that fosters the
development of individual leadership
for the benefit of humankind.*

*We focus on learning as a life-long process,
preparing the students to meet the ever-changing
social and personal challenges of the future.*

*We pursue academic excellence within
a college preparatory environment*

*We believe in the partnership of parents, teachers
and staff, who have an equal commitment
to developing themselves and our students
as persons of God.*

*We provide an attractive, positive, caring,
and safe learning environment fostering the
Chaminade family spirit*

*We celebrate unity in diversity which comes from
practicing respect for the universal human family.*

*We stimulate a spirit of enthusiastic collaboration
among the members of the Chaminade family.*

1995-1996

FR. ALLEN DeLONG, president.

Mr. CHARLES POTTS, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

WASC ACCREDITATION – WHAT DOES WASC MEAN FOR CHAMINADE? WASC is the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. In order for a school to receive an accreditation from WASC, it must prove that it has the best interests of its students in mind and is willing to improve to better serve the students. Every six years, Chaminade comes up for re-accreditation. Before the evaluating committee arrives at Chaminade, the school forms twenty-four committees to review all aspects of the school. The committees are comprised of students, teachers, parents, secretaries, and school board members. These committees discern what is working well and point out areas that the school could improve. The entire process of surveys, committees and reports takes about eighteen months.

NAMES IN THE NEWS: Bro. Leroy Viera Creates a Lasting Impression: "He lovingly refers to them as the 'Blessed Mama,' but Brother Leroy's familiarity is completely understandable after creating more than 90 of the 18-inch, ceramic statuettes of the 'Blessed Mother' to stand in reverent display in each of Chaminade's classroom in Chatsworth and West Hills...The 'Blessed Mother' project has taken more than two years to complete in his spare time, and was done at the request of Father Allen DeLong, when Father first saw one of Brother's creations. 'I've made so many, I wore out the mold,' Bro. Leroy explained. A mold is only good for between 75 and 100 castings, and that is only the first step in a lengthy process that includes sanding, refining the delicate features, multiple coats of color and glazes and two firings in temperatures more than 1,900 degrees. Bro. Leroy's art has been an uplifting contribution to the school, and we all say thank you for your time and loving care!"

JOE RAUSER and DAVE REEVES TWO FACULTY MEMBERS REACH 30-YEAR MILESTONE: "It is with great pride and admiration that the Chaminade Community congratulates two outstanding and respected members as they celebrate 30-years as faculty and administrators; Joe Rauser and Dave Reeves."

Joe Rauser "recently celebrated his 30th anniversary teaching at Chaminade where he is well known among the middle students of English and history. From teaching to assistant vice principal at the high school, he has worn many hats, including girl's track and field, and cross-country coach. He and his wife, Shirley, spent one year living in and running the campus dormitory a little more than 18 years ago. But of all his many contributions to the school, Mr. Rauser's greatest is his love of teaching and the relationship he develops with his students."

"Dave Reeves is a 1960 graduate of the high school when it was located in West Los Angeles." He first joined the teaching staff in 1965. Reeves "pioneering work has included the incorporation of amateur radio satellites, and state of-the-art computer technologies in the classroom...As an administrator, Reeves has served as principal of the middle school for eight years, and for one year at the high school."

GIVING OUR STUDENTS WITH THE GREATEST NEED IS A KEY TO SUCCEED: "One of the biggest dilemmas in administering a school such as Chaminade is how to keep tuition affordable while helping it grow and flourish at the same time. Each year the administration and the board of directors grapple with this challenge, because their ultimate goal is to provide our families with the very best in Catholic, college preparatory education, while maintaining tuition at a fair cost...Tuition, no matter the cost, often causes angst for a variety of reasons, and for those families whose need is most crucial, financial aid has been a vital part of the tuition program at Chaminade since 1963...The board of directors as well as the Marianists wish to see the financial aid endowment funds grow, because the principal will indefinitely provide a steady supply of earnings for this important project regardless of current economic trends...Because the funds are limited, currently the sole criterion for school-sponsored financial aid is need. Like procedures followed by colleges and universities, need is determined by a thorough analysis of a financial application and tax returns...Over the years, that system has helped hundreds of deserving students and their families."

IN MEMORIUM – BRO. MELVIN SILVA, S.M. – "With the deepest sense of sorrow, Chaminade said good-bye to beloved religion teacher, Bro. Melvin Silva, S.M., who died Nov.11, in Honolulu, of cancer. Brother Mel was 66 and in the 44th year of his service as a Marianist."

FATHER LARRY MANN, S.M., CELEBRATES GOLDEN JUBILEE: "Father Larry Mann, S.M., has devoted his life to young people. At the high school, Father Larry is at the center of campus ministry and serves as spiritual director for the ninth and tenth grade retreats. This year he celebrates two major milestones in his life; he turns 80 on Aug. 1st and concludes the golden jubilee of his ordination as a Marianist priest in 1945...Joining the Marianist Order in 1931, Fr. Larry came to Chaminade in 1954 when the school was in the Cheviot Hills neighborhood of Los Angeles. After five years as an educator and campus minister, Father Larry left to continue his work with the Marianists in Hawaii. It was not until 1989 he returned to Chaminade. His kindly personality and ability to keep atop current events have made him a most popular priest with which to pray and learn."

1996-1997

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

MR. GARY MURPHY, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

ABOUT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: The CCP Board of Directors is comprised of about four Marianists, parents, past parents, and alumni who serve our school community on a volunteer basis by establishing policies that will ensure its successful operation.

PUTTING TECHNOLOGY TO WORK (FULL TIME) AT CHAMINADE: "Chaminade's plan to prepare our students to compete and excel in the world utilizing computer technology and the Internet came from some very humble beginnings. And the key to the success of such a far-reaching plan has been in the imagination and dedication of **YANNIS GRAMMATIS**, MIS (*Management Information Systems*) director for the past three years...'Technology and its relationship to education is the driving force,' said Grammatis, who first joined the middle school staff in 1988. 'In addition to the pressure from the outside world, parents and students were asking for computer labs and instruction in computer operation...Besides the students who embrace the program, the biggest reason we are succeeding with this technology plan is the people who teach and maintain the systems...Without full-time multitalented professionals, it would be useless. We must maintain what we have, plus plan for the future and implement expansions. Ninety-five percent of all implementation is done in house—from cabling to applications'..." Yannis is aided by five other MIS team members" including his wife, Patti, and Marianist Brother Gene Frank.

1997 SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE AWARDED to "long-time Chaminade family volunteers and friends including **DENNIS HAAS**—for tireless support of the school."

1997-1998

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

MR. GARY MURPHY, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

MARIANISTS: In 1952 the Marianists started Chaminade for boys in Cheviot Hills. The original buildings were extremely run down to the point of being condemned. The Marianists, who were also the faculty, quickly decided to move to a new campus and found property in Canoga Park. The property was a huge ranch surrounded by a breeding area for thoroughbred horses. By 1961, the Marianists began teaching at the new Chaminade Preparatory. The Marianists were soon unable to support the school. Therefore, they formed a Board of Directors out of the faculty, which was made up of Marianists and lay people. The Board of Directors decided to deed over the property to the corporation of Chaminade with the understanding that the Marianists would remain part of the faculty and staff.

45 YEARS TO OUR CREDIT: "Chaminade High School for Boys was founded in the Fall of 1952 by the Marianists who were seeking to expand their educational mission in Southern California and providing living and working quarters for their postulants...A former military academy in the Cheviot Hills area of West Los Angeles was selected for the new school. The buildings were severely rundown, and the grounds resembled a jungle." Brothers James Wipfield, John Perko, and many fellow Marianists helped pitched in to make the buildings spotless, to renovate the grounds, and to establish a chapel and library all within two months...By the 1960s "with the need for updated and expanded facilities, another search was launched, and the San Fernando Valley was a logical choice given the direction of development that was taking place in Southern California. The Marianists again took tools to hand and literally built the new high school from the ground up. Our continued building and development is part and parcel of the Chaminade story. At the core however, the Marianists and our mission guide us'...to form morally aware and academically capable people to be outstanding contributors to the future'."

1998-1999

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

MR. GARY MURPHY, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

THE CHAMINADE DIFFERENCE For a New Millennium: *By Chris Redondo, High School Religion Chairman:* "Over the last five years the unique characteristics of Marianist education has been the focus and subject matter of intense study by the Marianist Order all over the world. The results of their study were published three years ago in a booklet entitled *"The Characteristics of Marianist Education"* (CMEs). The CMEs are simple and clear: **1. Education for Formation in Faith; 2) Provide an Integral, Quality Education; 3) Educate in Family Spirit; 4) Educate for Service, Justice, and Peace; 5) Educate for Adaptation and Change.** The CMEs are not just for Campus Ministry or the Religion Department but are incorporated in everything that we do at Chaminade from the classroom to the playing fields. They are central in all our relationships as well—between all constituents of our community. In short, they form the basis of what our school is about."

1999-2000

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

MR. GARY MURPHY, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

ENVISIONING NEW PATH – UNDERCLASS RETREATS: Very favorable affirmative responses were made by freshman, sophomores and juniors concerning this year's retreat programs offered to them.

Small Christian Communities (SCC's) are all Part of LIFE: "One of the newest lines to be heard in the social world of Chaminade H.S. is, 'Hey are you going to SCC?' Small Christian Communities, or SCC's, have continued to be a growing success. The L.I.F.E. team in cooperation with Campus Ministry has facilitated these Tuesday night meetings in an effort to create a Christian environment for Chaminade students and faculty. A regular group of about 30 students, under and upper classmen alike, attend an experience that is a blend of prayer and family. Each session is led by volunteers and varies from meditation to small group discussion with prayer that reflects a particular theme. The sessions themselves often echo a retreat-like setting. The meetings, held in Campus Ministry every other Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., offer a warm, welcoming atmosphere to all. Beyond its religious side, SCC's help build community and friendship among the Chaminade students; bringing freshmen and seniors together." One senior said this about SCC's: "It's a break away from my busy schedule and a place where I can refocus on what's really important."

CARDINAL ROGER MAHONY BESTOWS AWARD ON BRO. Leroy: "With more than seventy local religious Brothers in attendance, Chaminade's Bro. Leroy Vera was honored at the annual Brotherhood Recognition Dinner by Cardinal Roger Mahoney for his years of service in the church. Following Mass at the Archdiocesan Catholic Center, the dinner event was highlighted with the accomplishments of Bro. Leroy during his almost 50 years in religious service, of which the last eight have been at the High School where he is invaluable to the Physical Plant Department."

MIDDLE SCHOOL'S RCIA PROGRAM CONTINUES TO GROW: The Right of Christian Initiation adapted for children (RCIA) began this school year with sixteen students. "The RCIA process is designed for students who are not baptized in any faith and wish to become Catholic; those who were baptized Catholics and have not yet received the other sacraments of First Penance, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation; or were baptized in another Christian faith but would like to become Catholic...The RCIA process is conducted under the direction of St. John Eudes Parish. Weekly classes are scheduled at Chaminade Middle School, under the direction of **Sister Noreen Arnold, C.S.J.** Each Sunday the students attend morning Mass at St. John Eudes Church to take part in the Dismissal of Candidates and Catechumens for reflections on God's Word and its meaning in their lives today."

2000-2001

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

MR. GARY MURPHY, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

BEATIFICATION of FR. CHAMINADE:

On September 3, 2000, Fr. William Joseph Chaminade, the founder of the Society of Mary and namesake of our school, was beatified in Rome. Beatification acknowledges Fr. Chaminade's devotion to Mary, the mother of Jesus, and his commitment to spreading the Good News of Jesus through education. It is the vision of Fr. Chaminade that is very much alive in the entire educational mission of CCP. Two teachers, Mrs. Jackie Ford, and Mr. Chris Redondo, along with five upper-class students joined nearly 100,000 Catholics gathered in St. Peter's Square for the ceremony.

One student in attendance offered his lasting impression concerning the beatification: *"Despite the works of art we saw, I would have to say it was the people. On this trip I was exposed to many different cultures. Everywhere I looked, there were new faces, new people with different customs. One day all of the Marianist community got together, and all you could see were smiles. People enjoyed meeting other people, and the fact that they were all there to commemorate one man made it more special. We actually felt like 'family,' a family from all over the globe united by the devotion to God found in Fr. Chaminade. This is what made the trip for me, and I'm thankful I had the opportunity to be part of it."* –By David McGowan '02.

WELCOME FR. TED LEY, SM: Alumnus of Chaminade's Class of 1958, Fr. Ted Ley, S.M., "is coming home in a sense, as he leaves full-time parish work to become a full-time chaplain at Chaminade. He sees his new position as one that will 'help extend and continue the presence and ministry of the Marianists to the staff, faculty, parents, students and alumni of Chaminade'."

CHAMINADE INFORMATION SYSTEMS: Note: From Yannis Grammatidis, Director of Information Systems, "Both campuses are completely networked with file and print services as well as Internet access at every location and connected into a Wide Area Network via our private T1 connection and have 24 / 7 access to the internet via Frame Relay services at T1 speeds...Keeping with the Marianist educational philosophy *to educate for adaption and change*, Chaminade's information technologies enable students and faculty to express, explore and exchange ideas with the rest of the world'."

2001-2002

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

MR. GARY MURPHY, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

"A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS DEDICATION" to MARIANIST BRO. LEROY VIERA: Every day at Chaminade Bro. Leroy Viera gives himself to the Chaminade community. Bro. Leroy first came to our campus in 1966. He left in 1969 and returned to West Hills in 1992 where he served for the next six years as the Director of the Marianists at CCP...Bro. Leroy works closely with faculty and students to create kindness, respect, and faith. He has been an integral part of drama productions on sound, lighting crews and for whatever construction or technical need arises. He also helps in the Physical Plant area. No task is too small, and each one receives his complete care and attention. Thank you for showing us the meaning of dedication and devotion through all that you do for us.

2002-2003

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

50th YEAR CELEBRATION: Over fifty years ago, “The Marianist Province of the Pacific envisioned expanding its educational mission by opening a high school in the Los Angeles area. This school would continue the Marianist tradition of Catholic education first founded by Blessed William Joseph Chaminade in 1817. The Marianists’ vision was realized in September of 1952, when Chaminade High School opened in the former Cheviot Hills Military Academy in West Los Angeles. With an initial all-male student body of 114 students consisting of two freshman classes, one sophomore class and a combined junior and senior class, and with many of the students boarding at the school, the early Chaminade was different in name and appearance than the one we know today...Many vital aspects of the school remain the same from its beginnings fifty years ago. We see this clearly in the *Characteristics of Marianist Education* that continue to inform the school’s mission. From those earliest years we still have our beloved Chaminade Eagle, a mascot inspired by an eagle, that adorned a tower on the Cheviot Hills campus.”

“Seven years after the Cheviot Hills campus opened, when it was learned that the school needed significant and expensive remodeling to improve the safety of the buildings, Chaminade’s administration and Board of Directors began the search for a new location. This search brought them to nineteen acres of land on the other side of the Santa Monica Mountains, in Canoga Park (now called *West Hills*), where groundbreaking for the new high school took place on January 22, 1961. When the school opened in September of that same year, its name had been changed to Chaminade Preparatory. Still an all-boys school, some students continued to board while others commuted daily from West Los Angeles. Chaminade began admitting girls to the student body during the 19971-72 school year.”

“Over the following decades Chaminade continued to grow, officially changing its name in 1987 to Chaminade College Preparatory, and expanding its facilities and developing programs to offer an unparalleled educational experience. Chaminade students benefit from an active Campus Ministry and retreat program that encourages spiritual growth, a rigorous academic curriculum, an athletic program that develops physical abilities, and extracurricular opportunities that helps to explore a variety of talents and interests. Awarded the prestigious designation as a *National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence* in 1997, Chaminade was recognized on a national level for something we have known for years: *ours is a very special school.*”

“Now in its 50th year and long past the days when some students lived on campus, Chaminade continues to be a place that many call home. From its birth in Cheviot Hills to now, Chaminade has positively touched the lives of thousands of people, enriching their minds and their faith. Through the dedication of its exceptional faculty and staff, the support of its parent community and the achievements of its student body, Chaminade continues to be a place where the *Characteristics of Marianist Education* withstand the currents of social change, helping young people develop their God given talents to create a more just and peaceful world.”

CELEBRATON of the School’s 50th ANNIVERSARY: From *Chaminade Now*: “Plans began more than three years ago as Chaminade administrators, board members, faculty, student, and alumni representatives first gathered to brainstorm the most significant way to recognize and celebrate...A logo was created to visually remind us of the significance of the 2002-2003 school year. It adorned stationery and banners that waved from streetlamps on each campus and along the avenues of both West Hills and Chatsworth. The school history was carefully researched, chronicled, and detailed in a beautiful keepsake document...Our special relationship to the Society of Mary was recognized at Founders Day when Very Reverend David Fleming, S.M., Superior General, traveled from Rome to commemorate the School’s founding by the Marianists.”

HIGH SCHOOL BREAKS GROUND ON CONDON FAMILY CENTER FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: “The Chaminade College Preparatory community gathered on Sunday, May 4, at the High School campus in West Hills to break ground on the second new building to be constructed at Chaminade as a result of a successful capitol campaign raising more than \$6 million in the past three years. The building will be named to honor Thomas J. Condon, alumnus of the Class of 1956, and his family, whose foundation has significantly supported this project. It will be called, “**The Condon Family Foundation Center for Science and Technology.**”

INNER-CITY PARISH SCHOOL VISIT SPELLS JUST PLAIN F-U-N: “With planning that rivaled a military campaign, St. Turibus Parish School of Los Angeles made their second trip to Chaminade’s Middle School for a day of fun. The campus literally hummed with excitement, music, and laughter as Chaminade’s 650 middle schoolers played host to their 260 elementary-aged guests...What began five years ago as a community service project, has blossomed into a very special relationship between the students of both schools—definitely a ‘win-win situation’.”

AN INDIAN SUMMER: “Reach Out has become one of the most prominent projects within this last year. Four students and Frontline advisor, Barbara Tweedy, have managed to rally support behind the cause...This summer students from the High School flew to the ghetto regions of northern India to supply products such as basic hygiene necessities, clothing, and meals through monetary donations. All the money went directly to the poor, while airfare, housing, and food accommodations were at the expense of each student who took part.

MISSION STATEMENT

“Chaminade College Preparatory collaborates with the families it serves to provide a challenging Catholic, co-educational education in the Marianist tradition. This tradition, grounded in the values of Jesus, educates the whole person while emphasizing family spirit in a nurturing, caring environment, attentive to the moral, spiritual, and religious development of students. Chaminade prepares college-bound students throughout their middle and high school years in a rigorous program of academic excellence. Students from a diversity of cultural, religious, and economic backgrounds come together for an active and varied curricular and extracurricular program. The mission of Chaminade College Preparatory is to form morally aware and academically capable people to be outstanding contributors to the future.”

2003-2004

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

AERIE DEDICATION to FR. LARRY MANN, SM: “A fascinating mix of talents and tastes, hobbies and humor, Father Larry contributed to the spiritual, academic, and athletic life of our campus in more ways than we can ever count. Before he retired earlier this year at 87 years young, Father Larry was, at different times, a Latin teacher, religion teacher, and campus chaplain, as well as a regular participant in the Sophomore retreat program...Through his warm and welcoming manner, Fr. Larry seems to be a friend of everyone—indeed, it can be said that Father Larry has never met a stranger. If he doesn’t know someone in a group, it is very common for him to introduce himself and ask, ‘Who are you?’”

AERIE 2ND DEDICATION to MRS. PAULA LaBrot, DIRECTOR of CHAMINADE PLAYERS: “Since 1995, Mrs. Paula LaBrot has been an invaluable teacher, leader, and friend to hundreds of students as they discover their dramatic talents in diverse acting roles. Paula actively educates her students in a way that fully embodies the five characteristics of Marianist education. Her open and warm-hearted nature responds to each student as an individual with unique strengths and challenges. Paula’s choice of plays each year reveals her dedication to the promotion of social justice and peace, compelling both the actors and the audience to think deeply about the issues that affect our world.”

NEWLY DESIGNED SEAL TAKES ITS PLACE IN THE FUTURE OF CHAMINADE: The first seal for Chaminade appeared shortly after the school’s founding in 1952. A second seal was commissioned by Fr. Allen DeLong, S.M., in 1988. “The School’s seal, a shield, symbolizes the strength and protection of the Chaminade experience as it strives to form morally aware and academically capable people to be outstanding contributors to the future. The cross and letter ‘M’ in a field of white stand for the central role the Marianists hold in Chaminade’s Catholic identity, philosophy, and fundamental values of Christian faith. Chevrons of blue and orange illustrate the school colors: the blue represents truth and loyalty, while orange stands for worthy ambition. The open book represents both education and scripture, while the eagle, Chaminade’s mascot, stands for our school community that strives to be noble, strong, and brave. The 1952 date is Chaminade’s founding year. Encircling and completing the seal, is our outward identity, Chaminade College Preparatory.

2004-2005

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

AERIE DEDICATION to MR. CHRIS REDONDO: “Educate for Formation of Faith. Educate in a Family Spirit. Educate for Adaptation and Change. Educate the Whole Person. Educate to Promote Social Justice and Peace. Perhaps no one on the Chaminade campus embodies these characteristics of Marianist education more than Mr. Chris Redondo. For 35 years, Mr. Redondo has been an integral part of Chaminade’s academic and spiritual life—guiding students in their intellectual and faith journeys and serving as an inspiration for his colleagues...A faith-filled man who takes to heart the Catholic social teaching to serve people in need, Mr. Redondo organized and continues to moderate the Community Service Program at Chaminade. Through this program, thousands of Chaminade students have helped others and in doing so developed an increased awareness of the many needs that exist within their own community.”

EXPLORING the MARIANIST MESSAGE THROUGH ART: “The High School Mission Effectiveness Team (MET), comprised of members from varying departments, staff members and a parent, sponsored a school-wide challenge inviting all students to design original art interpreting and naming the five CME’s: *Formation in Faith; Integral, Quality Education; Family Spirit; Service, Justice and Peace; Adaptation and Change.*”

CONDON FAMILY FOUNDATION CENTER for SCIENCE and TECHNOLOGY OPENS and AWES: “The Condon Center is already a vibrant hub on the High School campus. ‘Even the pairing of a chapel as part of the Media Center complex means a great deal,’ explained President Adams. ‘For us, it is natural that the scientific and religious stand side-by-side’. More than a symbol: Formerly a room of stone, mortar, and glass, the new chapel at our High School has been transformed by the addition of one piece of furniture – an altar – and it speaks to each of us in a very personal way. Designed by Marianist Bro. Joseph Aspell, the altar was built with exacting care by fine-furniture maker, John Burt, and underwritten by the generosity of Chaminade’s Mark Bianchi family. It beautifully symbolizes our Catholic, Marianist identity – a guiding force in the lives of all those who come to Chaminade.”

2005-2006

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MS. CHRISTINE HUNTER, principal, Chatsworth.

AERIE DEDICATION to PHYSICAL PLANT WORKERS: “Chaminade’s high school campus is a living, growing, changing place. What truly shows Chaminade to be a place of change and adaption is Chaminade’s *Physical Plant*. The dedicated members of *Physical Plant* take care of all those things that many of us take for granted but that we count on to make our school work. Any time you look around campus at the lawns, trees, and plants, you have *Physical Plant* to thank for providing us with such a well-maintained and beautiful campus. The hard-working members of Chaminade’s *Physical Plant* staff ensure that our campus can adapt and change to our needs.”

BUILDING CHARACTER & RELATIONSHIPS: Every June Chaminade students travel to Mexico to construct houses for needy families, an experience that builds character and opens new doors for sharing the Marianist mission and tradition of giving...Forty students traveled to Tijuana, Mexico June 14-16 this year to join with local charitable organization *Amor Ministry* to build houses for needy families...The program is entirely student-driven.”

RALLY TO LIGHT THE NIGHT: “On Sunday, October 8th, students, teachers, staff, and parents from both campuses turned out at Warner Center Park in Woodland Hills for the eighth annual *Light the Night*, a two-mile fundraising walk organized by the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. These generous walkers formed *Team Kelsey* in honor of 8th grade Kelsey Burke who was diagnosed with Leukemia in June of this year.

What's OLD is NEW AGAIN – Fencing, Wrestling and Equestrian Gain Student Popularity: These sports are gaining momentum on both our campuses. *Chaminade Now* reported on the progress of the 22-member equestrian team, but it is important to note that the Middle School wrestling team fielded more than 50 members this year and Fencing is enjoying its greatest success since 2001."

ROBOTICS PERFORM WELL IN ATLANTA: "The Chaminade Robotics Team, led by advisor, Nancy McIntyre, traveled to Georgia for the second straight year to compete in the FIRST National Robotics Competition."

LIFE LESSONS: "Since its inception thirty-six years ago, the Marianist LIFE Program for high school students has changed lives by empowering teens with strong leadership skills and by giving them experiences that strengthen their faith and responsibility to serve others. Through their diligent and dedicated service, these twenty-five students serve as a nucleus to plan, coordinate, and carry out our High School's liturgies, MLCs (Marianist LIFE Community special events to foster and encourage fun, spiritual-based activities), and all religious retreats. But what's also important about this group is their ability to draw classmates from all parts of the student body to also take part in the program of Campus Ministry...At the recent calendar planning meeting, LIFE Team Member, Annie White, '07, described LIFE as a 'religious student council.' She explained, 'We really oversee the religious part of our school and are a daily, visible reminder that we are a Catholic community who really care about one another.' Annie also stressed that at the core of LIFE is friendship and most of all, fun! We're teenagers so there's always a big element of fun built into everything we do'."

CHAMINADE ENDOWMENT FUNDS: It's About Today and the Next 100 Years: "A key financial factor contributing to the long-term vitality of an independent school is the establishment and growth of endowment funds – a permanent 'savings account' from which only the earnings are used to fund programs. An endowment gift of today not only benefits current students, but those in Chaminade's future. The school benefits from endowments as they:

- 1) *Supplement the difference in the family investment of tuition and the true cost of educating a Chaminade student.*
 - 2) *Permit the development of a richly diverse student population by making a Chaminade education accessible to students from varying economic backgrounds.*
 - 3) *Allow for the continued enrollment of students who families experience economic reversals arising from a death in the family, sudden medical issues, or employment problems.*
 - 4) *Provide a solid financial base to minimize the impact of inflationary or recessionary times on programs of Chaminade."*
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2006-2007

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth

CHAMINADE BIDS FAREWELL TO FOUR LOVED ONES:

FR. EDWIN JOHNSON, SM (Feb. 6, 1920-April 25, 2007): "Father Edwin served as Chaplain at CCP for eleven years. During that time, he blessed us all with his profound kindness, grace, and deep faith in God. His warm, welcoming smile was familiar to students on both the middle and high school campuses. Beloved by students, faculty, and parents alike, Father Ed personified the kind of selfless love that Jesus preached and became a daily model of how to love without condition."

STEVE MUSSACK, '67: "A beloved member of the Chaminade family for over 30 years, Steve was an alumnus, teacher, and former administrator. Steve enriched all of us with his gentleness, humor and wonderful stories, leadership, integrity, and goodness. Perhaps Steve's proudest personal accomplishment came in 2004, when he became 128th member of the very exclusive High Pointer Club, scaling the highest points in all 50 states."

GAIL NELSON: "The High School receptionist for 6.5 years, Gail was known as a gentle spirit who loved animals... She had a serving heart and was always going out of her way to show others how much she cared about them. Gail will be remembered for her kindness, compassion, and her generosity to others."

BILL SMITH: "Bill was a valued member of the Chaminade family for over nine years. During his brief struggle with cancer, he showed incredible strength of character, and faith. Bill will always be remembered for his incredible dedication to his students as a math teacher and a coach."

ROBOTICS ROCKS HAWAII: Nine Chaminade students, a teacher and an engineer headed to Hawaii in June to assist Governor Linda Lingle in bringing the FIRST Robotics Program to all the high schools in her state. The award-winning Eagle Engineering robotics team trained local teachers and students for the 2008 FIRST Regional Robotics Competition during a series of free workshops offered in conjunction with Chaminade University of Honolulu. The student workshops included hands-on Vex building sessions and final competition.

TAKING THE MORAL HIGH GROUND: “The Future Business Leaders of America decided to run a business under the recommendation of club moderator, Aron Gideon. They watched *Black Gold*, a documentary about the lives of coffee farmers in Ethiopia. Although *coffee* is one of the world’s most traded products, *coffee* farmers in developing nations see little profit. They are often forced to abandon their fields for more profitable crops such as the narcotic ‘chat’ just to feed their families. The purchase of Fair-Trade coffee helps provide farmers with a fair living wage. The name **HIGH GROUNDS** was chosen because the coffee beans are harvested and sold under Fair Trade practices. Everything sold at Higher Grounds Café is 100 percent organic and shade grown. Students are buying eco-friendly coffee that provides education, clean water, and healthy food to developing nations, including those farmers documented in *Black Gold*.

HARMONY IN HAWAII: “The Chaminade Middle School C-Notes, Hula Club, and the Chaminade High School Harmony Chorus traveled to Hawaii on a singing tour during Spring Break last April. They performed at the Oratory Rose Chapel on the campus of Chaminade University of Honolulu. ‘Collaborating with our extended Chaminade community at Chaminade University on the island of Oahu was a wonderful way to exemplify our Marianist theme of *educating in family spirit*,’ says Kathy Rohrs, C-Notes choral director. ‘Sharing our music with students from Hawaiian and Samoan cultures at Palolo Elementary allowed our students to gain a deeper respect for the differences and traditions of native Hawaiian cultures’.”

MIDDLE SCHOOL - NEW CLUB ON CAMPUS: Contributed by Kate Lospalluto ’00 and Annette Damien ’01, both Middle School religion teachers. “There is a new shining star in the Middle School club scene. **SHINE** (*Students Help Inspire New Experiences*) is a student group composed of seventh and eighth graders interested in growing in faith as they assist in their development of the Chaminade community by participating in the new faith experiences and service opportunities around campus...The club has assisted in the planning and execution of several school-wide Masses, a community service street cleaning project in Wodland Hills and the annual *Light the Night Walk*.”

MIDDLE SCHOOL – MINISTRY MATTERS: “In respect for the entire family of God’s creation, we celebrated our Mission Awareness Mass. We reminded ourselves of our Catholic Social Teaching on the value of sanctity of life; that life must be respected from the moment of conception to its natural death. The Gospel of Life reminds us that the protection of the sanctity of life is the mission of every individual, and nothing can get in the way of God’s beautiful creation of His children.
MIDDLE SCHOOL – BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: “As those of us with pets know, animals are a part of the family. So, on the Feast of St. Francis, we celebrated our special family members at the Blessing of the Animals.”

2007-2008

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth.

AERIE DEDICATION to MR. RUDY GARCIA: “At a school defined by family spirit, Rudy Garcia is a daily example of how to live one’s life with this as the guiding principle. Since arriving at Chaminade in 1991, Mr. Garcia has been instrumental in creating a nurturing, compassionate community both inside and outside of his math classroom. As director of the school’s renowned Kairos senior retreat program, Mr. Garcia works tirelessly to provide students with an unparalleled experience of family spirit. Students know Mr. Garcia as a patient teacher who truly cares about their growth and success.”

Honoring Our Own – Fr. Ted Ley, S.M. '58 is newest CHAMINADE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS: “On January 31, Chaminade honored its newest Distinguished Alumnus, Fr. Ted Ley, S.M., '58 at the annual Alumni Prayer Breakfast. Joined by family, friends and other Chaminade alumni, Fr. Ted was honored by President Jim Adams as well as by Councilman Dennis Zine, who presented him with a Proclamation from the City of Los Angeles.

CHAMINADE ATTRACTS GLOBAL ATTENTION: “Higher Grounds Café’s reputation reached far beyond our community. After viewing a video invitation created by the Future Business Leaders of America on Youtube, Tadesse Meskela, General Manager of the Oromia Coffee Growers Co-operative Union in Ethiopia and central figure of the documentary *Black Goal*, decided to make the trip from Ethiopia to California to see the student café in action.... Feb. 22, just one week after speaking to the United Nations. He spent his morning viewing students at work in the classes and Chaminade administration to discuss his work, the film, and a partnership with the school that will allow Chaminade to focus coffee purchases on one Southern Ethiopian community so as to measure economic and environmental impact directly.”

NEXT YEAR, CHAMINADE WILL ROLL OUT ITS ONE-TO-ONE STUDENT TABLET PC PROGRAM: “The primary reason for this program is its value in enhancing the educational experience of our students and preparing them for their academic and professional future. The tablets will be an integral tool in the classroom and curricular activities.”

2008-2009

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth.

“STAND BY ME” – EXCERPTS from Fr. Chaminade Award Acceptance Speech – by MIKE FRITSCHNER '09:

Introduction: “About three years ago, Mike Fritschner '09 was told he would never walk again, after suffering a tragic accident. He swore then and there that he would defy his diagnosis and walk again. And as he walked up to receive his diploma on June 6th, he achieved that goal.” EXCERPTS: “After spending nine days at Queens Hospital, I was medevacked back to California to Northridge Hospital. I would spend three months there. Here, doctors would tell me I had no chance of ever walking again...You, the senior class, have stood by me through something that has devastated and destroyed so many other people’s lives, but not mine. My injury allowed me to become friends with all different types of people and I am so thankful for these friendships...I travel to John Hopkins in Baltimore, Maryland three times a year for two weeks of physical therapy to recover from my spinal cord injury. When I was first injured, I could not feel anything below my sternum. Today, I can feel all the way down to my mid-thigh. I can stand and walk in leg braces. One day, I will walk again. On that day, I will remember all of you who have stood by me through thick and thin. Thank you, class of 2009, for standing by me.”

AERIE DEDICATION to MR. JAMES CROSSLEY: “The Chaminade family is built on a foundation of respect, kindness, and commitment, qualities that are quintessential parts of the faculty and student body. It is with gratitude and respect that this year’s yearbook is dedicated to Mr. James Crossley, a paragon of Chaminade’s Marianist values. An esteemed teacher, he is renowned for his knowledge of British literature especially about Shakespeare. He has time for his students, whether it is helping them in X block with essays or sharing the stage with them in a hilarious Comedy Sports match.”

2009-2010

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth.

PRESIDENTIAL APPROVAL: Chaminade College Preparatory is proud to announce that President Jim Adams was named the San Fernando Valley Business Journal’s **Best Not For Profit Executive**. Mr. Adams has molded Chaminade into an organization that lives and breathes its mission of forming morally aware and academically capable people to be

outstanding contributors to the future, inviting everyone to participate in the process. The result is that Chaminade students contribute to their local community through community service, they grow academically, and explore their interests through a wide range of programs available on campus...During his time as President for the past fourteen years, Chaminade spearheaded a successful Capital Campaign which raised \$6 million to construct the Condon Family Foundation Center for Science and Technology at the high school and the Father Allen DeLong Center for Arts and 'Athletics at the middle school. Under his leadership, Chaminade increased financial assistance for deserving students from \$59,000 to \$2 million, increased enrollment by 300 students, and instituted a one-to-one student tablet PC educational program, among other achievements...The award comes on the heels of several other awards for Chaminade under Mr. Adams' leadership. In the past year alone, *Chaminade was recognized as the first Catholic School in the United States to be named a Model School by The International Center for Leadership in Education and won several awards including Favorite Private Middle School by the Daily News, One of the Best Private High Schools in LA by Los Angeles Magazine, and one of the Best Places to Work by San Fernando Valley Business Journal.*

AERIE DEDICATION to MRS. YVETTE WILLIAMSON: "As a Social Studies teacher at Chaminade since 1997, Mrs. Teresita Yvette Mercier Williamson has supported her students in the classroom, on retreats, at sporting events, and in countless school activities. Mrs. Williamson clearly believes in the power of Chaminade's family spirit and is known among student as an enthusiastic and warm-hearted teacher who wants everyone to feel nurtured and included. Whether she is overseeing the annual Coffee House or teaching an entire day of classes after chaperoning Grad Night, or participating in a rally, Mrs. Williamson never fails to make us feel important. Mrs. Williamson truly cares about the people we will become after we leave high school, and to this end she nurtures our minds and our hearts while we are here...Mrs. Williamson is a model for us of how to live the Marianist characteristics in our daily lives, in all our relationships."

LIGHTING THE WAY / ANNOUNCING CHAMINADE'S GATEWAY TO 21st CENTURY LEARNING: " President Jim Adams and the Chaminade College Preparatory Board of Directors are excited to announce a \$6 million capital campaign, Lighting the Way, with 73% of the goal secured. The campaign will fund the building of the Tutor Family Center for the Performing Arts, a new state-of-the-art performing facility...The Tutor Family Center for the Performing Arts will not only hone the skills of faculty and students alike but will showcase the talents and creativity of our students while contributing to the overall well-being of our campus community. The new one-and-a-half story facility will have the capacity to seat 360 in the auditorium with ramped floors and theater seating featuring a permanent stage, an integrated lighting and sound system, a fully-equipped scene-building shop, acoustically treated rehearsal rooms for band and choir practice, storage space for props, costumes and musical instruments, a dance class and rehearsal room with sprung, slip-resistant floors, a drama class and rehearsal room that doubles as a black box theater, and a chorus room for 70 students...At Chaminade, we truly believe that when the arts become integral to the learning environment, schools become places where creativity, team work, problem solving, and responsibility are fostered. That is why we are so strongly committed to enhancing our arts programs. Although drama, dance, and music productions in the Bob Hope Center have entertained Chaminade audiences for decades, it is time to take our arts to a new level of sophistication."

2010-2011

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth.

AERIE DEDICATION to MS. JULIE LaBelle: "Chaminade students have long recognized Ms. LaBelle as a caring and dedicated presence on campus. In her role as Student Activities Director, Ms. LaBelle is instrumental in filling our school year with events that satisfy our need for fun and that inspire us to live out the Characteristics of Marianist educations. In addition to moderating Student Council, Ms. LaBelle plans all of the dances and rallies, coordinates the Cage and Eagle's Nest, and organizes the school's annual Diversity Week. For those of us who have worked closely with Ms. LaBelle, it is obvious that she cares deeply about Chaminade students and actively strives to create memorable extracurricular experiences for all of us. Even for those who haven't worked directly with Ms. LaBelle, if you have yelled your head off at a rally or spun

around on the dance floor with your friends or participated in a diversity workshop exercise, you have been directly touched by her love for Chaminade.”

DIVERSITY WEEK: Over fifty students were involved with the school’s Diversity Team. An outside expert in diversity awareness, Calvin Terrell, conducted weeklong diversity workshops for students, faculty, and parents. The hope of the leaders of diversity awareness is “to improve the climate of respect and sensitivity to different populations within and outside of the school through a program of diversity education and awareness that permeates all aspects of the school.”

From *Chaminade Now*: “Chaminade students may participate in Diversity Team-led Mix It Up lunches, Unity Week, Freshman Unity Days, International Culture Week and Festival, and Justice Week, and they may also serve as hosts of the Special Olympics. Every event stress that only through inclusion, tolerance, and understanding can Chaminade be a welcoming environment for students of all backgrounds.

MIX IT UP DAYS: Hosted by the Diversity Team, this special lunch encourages students to sit with peers they normally would not socialize with on a regular basis.

UNITY WEEK (Nov. 14-18, 2011): The Unity Week assembly speaker helped sophomores and juniors see the importance of “Breaking Down the Walls,” and empowered all students to create a positive and supportive environment to bring unity to Chaminade. All sophomores and juniors participated in workshops which gave them opportunities to talk to each other in honest and candid ways about their experiences with diversity issues, and ultimately taught them about themselves, their peers, their teachers, and the importance of bullying prevention.

FRESHMAN UNITY DAYS: In February 2012, Keith Hawkins will speak to freshman boys and girls as separate groups. The boys will learn the skills they need to grow from boy to manhood, while the girls will learn to take ownership of their lives and to use tools that will give them control over their own destiny. Each group will participate in team building and leadership workshops, explore ways they can share their experience with other young people.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS: Competitors, students and staff came together as Chaminade once again hosted the Special Olympics of Southern California. As the competitors walked through the welcome tunnel and under the balloon arch, the young athletes were greeted by Chaminade student volunteers with high-fives and accolades. This year saw the track and field competition run in high gear as the competitors gave it their all. Chaminade students worked closely with LAUSD staff, volunteering at each station and helping wherever and whenever they were needed. Chaminade’s KNAD – a student run radio station – entertained the entire day and broadcast the history of the Special Olympics.

CHAMINADE MIDDLE SCHOOL HOUSE SYSTEM: The House System is one of the unique experiences that helps create family spirit among students of all grade levels. Essentially, every 6th, 7th, and 8th grade X block is placed into one of eight groups, or “houses,” each with a sampling from every grade. The houses have a faculty leader, a name, and a color. Students also have leadership roles, and this encourages involvement from a range of students that goes beyond the usual student council leaders. To get to know one another and to create unity, house meetings are held. During assemblies students sit according to house rather than grade. Throughout the school year, during Spirit Week or through various service projects and school activities, competitions are held, and points are awarded. At the end of the year, the house with the most points win the House Cup, a perpetual trophy. Eagles earn points for citizenship, first and second honors at first semester, student participation in clubs and athletics, accelerated reading, the Religion Game Show, door decorating during Catholic Schools Week, Gala drawing ticket sales, and Founders Day events.

The House System debuted during the 2010-2011 school year, after a two-year planning process. Middle School faculty members Jennifer Bader, Annette (Dietel) Damien ’01, and Kate Lospalluto ’00 introduced the idea after hearing about its successful implementation at other Marianist high schools.

SELECTION REFLECTIONS FROM THE C-NOTES PERFORMANCE IN NEW YORK CITY’S CARNEGIE HALL:

“I will never forget walking out on the state in Carnegie Hall and looking out into the audience. There were so many people there! The hall was beautiful with all of the gold gilding and the high, decorated ceiling. And who could

forget the red velvet seats? The acoustics were amazing. The choir sounded so angelic, and the applause amplified. I will always remember seeing that standing ovation.” -Breena Kovelman '14, C-Notes Alumna.

“The past few months have been an amazing journey. I am very blessed to be a part of helping students make beautiful music together in a way that will be remembered for the rest of our lives. I was so proud to stand with students on the stage at Carnegie Hall. When people ask me “How did I accomplish this,” I respond by saying that I didn’t. It’s not me, it’s we! It’s the family spirit, a team effort, and the amazing support of my colleagues.” -Kathy Rohrs, C-Notes Director.

2011-2012

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills.

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth.

THE TUTOR FAMILY CENTER for the PERFORMING ARTS COMPLETED: (Reflections from Jim Adams, President):

“The Tutor Family Center for the Performing Arts was completed and opened for the second semester. The state-of-the-art theater was host to our spring musical ‘Fiddler on the Roof.’ This newest venue will provide a home for theater, choral and instrumental music, and dance for generations to come. We are thankful to the many generous individuals who stepped up to make both new facility additions a reality” ...I offer my appreciation to you, our talented students, for your many accomplishments—academic, athletic, and artistic. This year we focused on the Marianist Characteristic of Formation in Faith, and I heartened by your openness to God’s work in your lives and your responsibility to care for each other and the world we inhabit.”

“The sun has its own beauty, the moon another beauty, and the stars a different beauty; and even among stars there are different kinds of beauty.” (1 Corinthians 15: 4).

AERIE DEDICATION TO MR. BERNIE CHIN & MRS. MARCIE CHIN:

“With 42 combined years of teaching at Chaminade between them, Mr. and Mrs. Chin have made an indelible mark on the life of the school and the lives of its students. Mr. Chin arrived at Chaminade in 1987 to teach in the math department and in the years since then he has been also actively involved in coaching soccer at Chaminade. Mrs. Chin came to our school in 1993 to teach in the social studies department and has become something of a legend with her geography classes. Together Mr. and Mrs. Chin lead the international Culture Club at Chaminade, which hosts regular after-school events for students to learn about cultures from around the world and increase their appreciation of diversity...We are better people for having spent time in Mr. and Mrs. Chin’s classrooms.”

MISSION STATEMENT (slightly revised):

“Chaminade College Preparatory collaborates with the families it serves to provide a challenging Catholic, coeducational education in the Marianist tradition. This tradition, grounded in the values of Jesus, educates the whole person while emphasizing family spirit in a nurturing, caring environment, attentive to the moral, spiritual, and religious development of students. Chaminade prepares college-bound students throughout their middle and high school years in a rigorous program of academic excellence. Students from a diversity of cultural, religious, and economic background come together for an active and varied curricular and extracurricular program. The mission of Chaminade College Preparatory is to form morally award and academically capable people to be outstanding contributors to the future.”

CLUB SPOTLIGHT: “The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others”—Gandhi

-EAGLE ENGINEERING/ROBOTICS: “For years, Eagle Engineering has been trotting across the globe competing and lending a hand wherever they can. They have worked with teams from Japan, New Zealand, England, and most recently, Micronesia...Their work has been featured in the May/June issue of *Robot* magazine. In the competition world, Eagle Engineering has recently won multiple awards and was tournament champion!”

-KEY CLUB: “Key Club is an international student led organization which provides its members with opportunities to provide service, build character and develop leadership.” Money was raised for March for Babies as the focus for Chaminade’s Justice Week. The Key Club also organized two blood drives through Blood for Missions and the American Red Cross.

-BOOKS and BLANKIES: "Project *Books and Blankies* was started by Robyn Strumpf who saw a need for encouraging children to read and to discover the comfort of doing that reading while snuggled under a quilt. Robyn asked Mrs. Chin if a chapter of *Books and Blankies* could be started at Chaminade and in 2004, *Books and Blankies* began as a club. Thanks to the generous donations of sewing machines, fabric, thread and other sewing tools, the members of our club have been able to sew about thirty quilts. These quilts along with donated children's books have been given to several local women and family shelters. The goal of the club is to promote literacy and the art of sewing colorful quilts. Sewing experiences is not necessary as the members are provided with instructions."

-PEDIATRIC AIDS CLUB: "Chaminade Pediatric AIDS Club is an organization on campus that raises awareness of the AIDS epidemic. Their mission is to help support families, specifically children, who are infected with HIV/AIDS. Working together with UCLA Pediatric AIDS Coalition, Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation, Project Kindle, Face AIDS, and AIDS Project Los Angeles, PAC meets twice a month and has numerous fundraisers throughout the year. This year they have attended the Los Angeles AIDS Walk and UCLA Dance Marathon, in addition to Chaminade events such as bake sales, club days and the International Culture Festival."

2012-2013

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president.

BRO. TOM FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth

SIXTY YEARS OF EXCELLENCE: *Aerie 2013 Volume 60, Sixty years of Excellence: "Though Chaminade has expanded quite a lot since its humble beginnings at a former military academy in Cheviot Hills in 1952, there are certain things that never do change. From its orange and blue pride to its family-oriented atmosphere, Chaminade has been a place of friendship and diversity for sixty years. These images, unearthed from yearbooks past, offer a glimpse into the vibrant history of Chaminade and act as a testament to the undying legacy of our home away from home."*

YEARBOOK LETTERS TO CHAMINADE FAMILY:

Mr. Jim Adams, president: *"This has been a special year of celebration in the Chaminade community as we completed our 60th year of service in Southern California. From its humble beginning as a small, all-boys' school housed in a former military academy on the Westside, Chaminade has grown and prospered and now embraces a student body of over 1,300 students on a beautiful and well-developed campus in West Hills. Those early leaders in the Chaminade community were true giants who developed a blueprint for the future that has allowed us to build a Catholic school that is unparalleled in the region.... This year Chaminade not only celebrated a numerical milestone but has also enjoyed the first full year of our new Tutor Family Center for the Performing Arts. We all feel a profound sense of pride and gratitude for the many people who made this spectacular facility a living reality. Our current students are the first of many generations of students who will bring the arts alive in this remarkable building.... We also take pride in the plethora of academic, service, athletic, and artistic accomplishments of our students. I am particularly heartened by the depth of spiritual growth that permeates the Chaminade community. This is evidenced in many ways, but none more impressive than the record number of students who attended our four-year retreat program..."* – Mr. James Adams.

Bro. Tom Fahy, OSF, principal: *"From blueprints to footprints! This year's yearbook theme is particularly evocative for me as this June represents the closing chapter of my first Chaminade project, the principalship. I vividly recall my first day on campus eleven years ago, filled with a great sense of God's generosity to me and a blueprint for the future tucked in some corner of my brain. I was awed by the beauty of the campus, the friendliness of the students, and the commitment of the faculty. For someone who is inspired and energized by beauty and goodness, I knew it would be an ideal new home to set about building my Chaminade ministry project. I was never disappointed and Chaminade became a lovely home.... In many ways, my journey parallels yours. You too came to Chaminade with a blueprint, and you will leave footprints in your wake as you go from here to your next place. Like me, you have lived out a project here, an unseen but mighty and impressive edifice that contributes to the rich history of Chaminade. Maybe we are not as courageous as were the early Marianists who planted our redwoods, built our classrooms, and opened a school in the Marianist tradition. But each of us leaves our own set of footprints, burdened or light, visible or invisible. The essential truth is that we build up Chaminade every day and make it a better place because we journeyed through it.... Much of this yearbook is focused on the senior class and rightly so. They are now in the midst of conceptualizing another set of blueprints. As they say in Ireland, 'God bless their work'."* – Bro. Tom Fahy

NADE NEWS: Headlines from *CHAMINADE NOW*, fall/winter, 2012 issue showcase our students varied accomplishments and activities: *Chaminade C-Notes Win Top Honor at Carnegie Hall 2013 Festival; Calvin Terrell Returns for Diversity Week (Calvin is a national social awareness speaker); Middle School Mock Trial Team Wins County Championship; Eagle Engineering Helps Launch Student Robotics in Ireland; Mission League Champs! Our varsity football team "clinched its first, outright Mission League football championship since 2006"; Girls Varsity Basketball Wins Rio Mesa Tournament at Buzzer; Equestrian Riders Jump to the Front of the Interscholastic Equestrian League; and SPORTS MEDICINE Paving the way for students to get hands on with athletics. Girls and Boys Basketball Enjoy Dominant Seasons: The 2012-13 winter season was one of the most successful in the history of Chaminade. Both teams were outstanding playing for the Division III-A CIF Championship and advancing to the CA State Southern Regional Finals. CIF Division I Champions: The girls varsity soccer team was outstanding, winning the program's fifth CIF-SS Championship and advancing all to the California State Final. Chaminade Wrestling Wins Two CIF Individual Championship Titles; Chaminade Fencing Wins Co-Championship at the Southern California Scholastic Fencing League Championship. Chaminade Heads to China: Bro. Tom Fahy and VP for Advancement Rob Webb visited China to begin a new endeavor for Chaminade through an international program on our Chaminade campus.*

FOUNDERS DAY: March 12, 2013: Founders Day was established as a celebration to honor those who made significant contributions to CCP. Until 1999, each of Chaminade's campuses celebrated Founders Day independently, primarily due to the eight miles that separate them. After assuming presidency of the school, James Adams made the decision that Chaminade should celebrate this tradition in one, *all-school liturgy*. For this 25th Founders Day Mass Chaminade honored Bernard Chin and Michael S. Hart as Founders for their "25 Years of Service" at CCP. Also honored were Fr. James Mueller and Bro. LeRoy, who celebrated their 60th Jubilee of Marianist religious profession.

BRO. SKIP MATTHEWS HONORED WITH ANNUAL BROTHERHOOD AWARD: Marianist Bro. Francis "Skip" Matthews was honored with the *Annual Brotherhood Award*. LA Archbishop Jose Gomez and Claretian Bro. Larry Moen presented the award, "Honoring Bro. Skip's religious commitment to the service of the Lord as a Marianist Religious Brother and his faithful ministry in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles through education and outreach to the poor and the homeless."

WELCOME TO THE CHAMINADE CENTER for EXCELLENCE (CCE): CCE is Chaminade College preparator's answer for parents who seek year-round enrichment opportunities for their children. Learning activities kickoff in summer, at both Chatsworth and West Hills campuses for students who will be in 1st through 12th grade next year. High School campus offerings in West Hills include visual and performing arts programs. Each week, students can choose from sports camps and summer intensives in musical theater, dance, film, stagecraft, and music. Programs on the Middle School campus center on the innovative and student-centered Great Books Academy.

THE CHAMINADE FILM PROGRAM – "From Computer Screen to the Big Screen" – Twenty-two exceptional student films were selected for screening in the Tutor Auditorium and many of the filmmakers were celebrated with outstanding achievements awards in everything from screenwriting to cinematography to editing. All the preparation and planning for this event made for an exceptional showcase for our growing film program and gave our filmmakers a much-needed audience. According to Fine Arts/Film teacher Karen Thumm, "This festival was a testament to their diligence and talent, and all of the films demonstrated a great love for storytelling and a growing understanding of cinematic language."

NADE NEWS: CHAMINADE NOW highlights, summer, 2013 issue: The 2008 Middle School Robotics Team Honored with Hall of Fame Induction: Chaminade's middle school robotics Team 83 was honored with an induction into the Robotics Education & Competition Foundation's VEX Robotics Hall of Fame. Team 83 was the first World Championship Middle School Excellence Award winner in 2008; Chaminade Freshman Wins State Fencing Championship: Freshman Jacob Lind '16 finished 8-0 in foil and became the CA High School Foil Champion; C-Notes Perform at Carnegie Hall: As the featured choir, the Middle School C-Notes opened the National Children's Choir and National Youth Choir performances.

Chaminade Senior Receives the SME Education Foundation Family Scholarship: Senior Morgan Montalvo became the recipient of a \$70,000 SME education award. She enrolled at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo in fall, 2013. Over 5,000 applicants were considered based on academic excellence and an interest in manufacturing engineering or related technology;

CHAMINADE'S LIBRARY BEYOND BOOKS: Card catalogs, microfiche, reference section—remember these? They are relics of a library of yesteryear in CCP's West Hills library which ended two years ago when librarian Mrs. Kelly Benning joined the Chaminade staff as librarian. Since her arrival, the library has changed. It's now less of a book warehouse and more of a media center where literacy is inspired, community is encouraged, and lifelong learning is nurtured.

CHAMINADE HEADS TO CHINA: High School Principal Bro. Tom Fahy and Vice President for Advancement Rob Webb visited the world's most populous country to begin a new endeavor for Chaminade through an international program. The students will live with Chaminade host families and be fully immersed in American culture. The goal is for these exchange students to finish their high school education at Chaminade and join the proud ranks of Eagle alumni.

CHAMINADE'S NEW HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: In July, Chaminade welcomed Mr. Stephen Lepire as the new high school principal replacing Bro. Tom Fahy, who in summer stepped down from his role as principal after 11 years of service. Bro. Tom will continue to work at Chaminade as the international program coordinator and college counselor.

2013-2014

MR. JAMES ADAMS, president

MR. STEPHEN LEPIRE, principal, West Hills

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth

AERIE THANK YOU! “The 2014 Aerie would like to extend a special thank you to James Adams for his 18 years of service to the Chaminade community. Mr. Adams has overseen vast change to our school—from the construction of the Condon and Tutor centers to bringing Chaminade into the 21st century with the institution of the laptop program...From leading retreats to cheering from the sidelines, Mr. Adams’ tireless commitment to our school and its Marianist traditions has benefited thousands of students both past, present, and future...We wish Mr. Adams the best of luck in the coming years and in his new position as *President Emeritus*...Thank you, Mr. Adams!”

AERIE 2014 DEDICATION: “Mrs. Kelli DiMuro (“Coach K”): “Ever since her first day on our campus 17 years ago, she has had a positive impact on students’ lives, whether through teaching Lord of the Flies or yelling ‘Motion! Run Motion!’ on the basketball court. She is always available after school to help her students with anything they need—even if it is just someone to talk to. Mrs. DiMuro has truly made a name for Chaminade by winning multiple Mission League titles as well as the first ever CIF title for the girls’ basketball team. So it is with great honor that the Aerie staff dedicates the 2014 yearbook to Kelli DiMuro.”

Chatsworth Campus Construction Update: Chaminade’s middle school campus is receiving facilities enhancements to include a new six-classroom building replacing the “portable” classrooms, library expansion, center courtyard renovation and additional parking.

Founders Day: Students, faculty, and staff from both CCP campuses gathered to honor both Jackie Ford and Yannis Grammatis for 25 years of service each, and Jim Adams for 18 years of service.

Senior Amit Dodani Receives 2014 Peace First Fellowship: This national award recognized five youth peacemakers across the country, and each winner received \$25,000 to “further their peacemaking work.” Peace First is a Boston-based non-profit organization, which is dedicated to creating the next generation of peacemakers. Amit was chosen as a fellow because of, *My Name My Story (MNMS)*, the social leadership organization he founded in December 2011. Dodani himself has reached out to more than 15,000 students through MNMS Inspire Empathy keynote talks.

Eagle Business Program Partners With LA Times: Eagle athletic fans can now read about their team on the Los Angeles Times website via Varsity Video. The site will showcase original content, provided by CCP’s Eagle Business students.

Grandparents’ Day Mass: Every year before Thanksgiving, CCP celebrates a Grandparents’ Day Mass at its middle school campus in Chatsworth. It is a much-loved and anticipated event. Hundreds of grandparents from all over the country attend this special event.

Champion Spotlight: (Aerie, 2014):

Football: CIF STATE CHAMPIONS – CIF-SS Division & REGIONAL CHAMPIONS, #18 IN THE NATION; #4 IN THE STATE. **FOOTBALL:** CIF Division II State Champions. **Girls Varsity Basketball:** “Girls (29-4) Route Archbishop Mitty 80-51 for FIRST STATE CHAMPIONSHIP in Program History at Sleep Train Arena in Sacramento. **Boys Varsity Basketball:** “CIF Division III State Champions. EAGLES (27-6) Defeat Drake 71-51 for their First State Championship at Sleep Train Arena in Sacramento.

Michael Everett Named National Impromptu Speaking Champion: Michael Everett ’15 faced a field of 440 competitors at the National Speech & Debate Tournament. He persevered through each round and was named the National Impromptu Speaking Champion in Overland, Kansas on June 20.

2014 -2015

MR. ROBERT WEBB, president

MR. STEPHEN LEPIRE, principal, West Hills

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth

LETTER TO CHAMINADE FAMILY: *"In this, my first year as your president, I've had to adapt to a new role at Chaminade. My year has been exciting, challenging, stressful, but ultimately very satisfying...Yes, it's been a remarkable year. You've excelled in academic, athletic, artistic, and liturgical endeavors...I am proud to be associated with all the talented and inspirational young men and women of CCP. Our founder, Blessed William Joseph Chaminade, would be proud, too."* – Mr. Rob Webb, President

Thank you, Bro. LeRoy: In August, more than 100 friends of Bro. LeRoy Viera, S.M., gathered to wish him a fond farewell as he moves to the Marianist Community in Cupertino, California...Since 1992, Bro. LeRoy worked in the physical plant department keeping the high school campus beautiful and in working order. He demonstrated great artistic talent through the creation of the ceramic Blessed Virgin Mary statues, found in all middle school and high school classrooms and offices. In 2013, Bro. LeRoy celebrated his 60-year Jubilee as a Marianist. In conjunction with this milestone, he was honored at the annual Founders Day Mass, which recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to Chaminade.

AERIE DEDICATION: Mrs. Jill Stewart is described as *"a walking encyclopedia of political fun facts. Since 2002 she has been bringing alive the Framer's three branch system for thousands of students...Mrs. Stewart also served as the Vice Principal of Faculty and Student Affairs, but eventually returned to being Social Studies teacher because she loved teaching. Thank you, Mrs. Stewart, for inspiring your students and making a lasting impression on Chaminade!"*

FOUNDERS DAY: Bro. John Samaha, SM, and Joseph Rauser are 2015 FOUNDERS OF CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY. Bro. John Samaha, born in 1930, began at Chaminade High School in Cheviot Hills, where he taught religion, Latin, economic geography, and world history. Reflecting on this honor as "Pioneer Founder," Bro. John stated, *"My fondest memories of school life as a teacher and my favorite lifelong friends center on my pioneer years at Chaminade."* Joseph Rauser marked an incredible 50 years of dedication to Marianist education and CCP. His historic tenure at Chaminade includes dean, dorm director, basketball coach, a grade level moderator, English grammar teacher, cross-country coach (for both campuses), and 8th grade graduation organizer.

New Middle School Buildings Dedicated: On May 13, a renovated library and new classroom building were blessed by Bishop Gerald Wilkerson and dedicated in honor of two longtime Chaminade employees. The Joseph A. Rauser Library Commons is an expansion and renovation of an existing area into 4,600 square feet of learning and studying space. It includes an open study area, comfortable seating, a conference room, and a quiet study room. The James V. Adams Center for Innovative Learning contains a 9,000 square-foot, six-classroom building which allows for more project-based learning activities. Middle school students and faculty gathered on the center courtyard to celebrate the blessing and dedication of these buildings. Joe Rauser, who taught at Chaminade for 50 years, and President Emeritus Jim Adams attended this special occasion.

Chaminade Mock Trial Wins Los Angeles County Championship: The CCP Mock Trial Team captured its first LA County Championship in the Constitutional Rights Foundation Mock Trial competition held at the Stanley Mosk Superior Courthouse.

Chaminade Now (fall/winter 2015) features science teacher ERIC ESBY for *"Taking the classroom to the great outdoors"*—ranging from studying tropical fish in the Caribbean to learning how a community garden operates—with the goal of broadening their horizons. Other locations for science-based trips included Montana, Costa Rica, and Belize. When Eric taught environmental science at Chaminade, he went with students over to Malibu Lagoon and The Wattles Garden Park in Hollywood.

"Faith of the Heart:" CCP is known for forming students in the Characteristics of a Marianist Education: Formation in Faith, Family Spirit, Service, Justice and Peace, Adaptation & Change, Integral, Quality Education. These characteristics are our core values that take shape in the lives of our students to further the mission of Fr. Chaminade. This year we are focusing on Formation in Faith.

Chaminade Now focus on Yvette L. Bishop, Fine Arts / Drama Director: *"I grew up going to Broadway shows; Broadway was my regional theatre...Watching those Broadway productions as a child helped to jumpstart a passion for theatre—one that transformed into an acting career that spanned from Broadway productions to television soap operas."*

Commencement Salute to Class of 2015: *Our new President, Robert Webb, stated: "When we celebrated commencement 2015, we passed the 10,000 mark in total number of alumni in our school's 63-year history. It was an amazing moment to note during my first graduation speech as your president."*

MR. ROBERT WEBB, president

DR. CYNTHIA COLON, principal, West Hills (July, 2015-March, 2016)

BRO. THOMAS FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills (April 2016-June, 2016)

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, Principal, Chatsworth

AERIE DEDICATION: “Mr. Bryan Cantwell, “the imposing and hilarious dean of students who never lost hope when students neglected to wear their lanyards. From basketball coach to administrator, Mr. Cantwell has found a way to bond with and impact the students at Chaminade for the past 21 years...His ability to maintain a positive relationship with the students is incredible. Thank you, Mr. Cantwell, for making such an incredible impact and lasting impression on Chaminade!”

Five Marianist Lay Affiliates Commissioned at Chaminade: In September a ceremony was held at both the Chatsworth and West Hills campuses to recognize commitments to the Marianist Family and the Catholic Church. These five new “affiliates” include Kate Beskid '00, Luis Guerra, April Risteff, Ellen Celaya, and Tom Celaya who completed a yearlong formation and discernment program. Their unique expression of commitment guides them to follow Mary’s examples of trust in God’s promises, openness to God’s action in their lives, and faithful response to God’s call. Their mission is to bring Jesus to others, and to be Jesus to others.

MARIANISTS CELEBRATE BICENTENNIALS: The Marianists are celebrating the bicentennial anniversary of the Daughters of Mary Immaculate, May 25, 1816, as well as the anniversary of the foundation of the Society of Mary, Oct. 2, 1817. The bicentennial theme is “To Know, Love, and Serve.” It reflects the Marianists’ spiritual life and mission to know, love, and serve Christ; to know, love, and serve our charism. As a special celebration of our Marianist charism during the bicentennial, the Marianist icon is traveling the world. In November, the icon made its way to both our Chatsworth and West Hills campuses where students, had the opportunity to learn more about its significance and view letters penned by Blessed Adele de Batz de Trenquellion and Blessed William Joseph Chaminade.

APOSTOLIC WORKS – Changing the World and Discovering Hidden Talents: Apostolic Works program is not like most middle or high school community services programs. Students become agents of change, using their talents and passions to positively impact the world and change lives for the better...Giving back, tapping into one’s personal gifts and developing a greater understanding of social justice and service are the core aspects of Chaminade’s middle and high school Apostolic Works Program.

TRIBUTE TO BRO. FRANCIS (“SKIP”) Matthews, S.M., WHO DIED DEC. 14, 2016: *“There is no better example of what Apostolic Works means than our own Marianist Bro. Skip Matthews. He shared his energy and spirit with us for 22 years. Every morning he greeted students and parents at our middle school. He substituted and worked in Campus Ministry. During lunch supervision, he reminded our students to thank their parents for packing their lunches because putting lunch together every day is no small task; we rarely think about the meaning and importance of this daily act...Bro. Skip’s ministry extended beyond Chaminade, and while he brought joy to our world, he was also the face of Christ for those who are often forgotten. When he wasn’t at Chaminade, he could be found at the Good Shepherd Shelter in Los Angeles, the LA Catholic Worker, the Midnight Mission, or with the homeless on Skid Row. He collected donations for each organization and helped battered women and the homeless write cards at Christmas to their loved ones. Bro. Skip did this every year for more than 20 years. Through our Apostolic Works Program, we hope to instill in our students Bro. Skip’s spirit, love, and willingness to serve others.”* – by Robert S. Webb, President.

First Female Wrestler in Chaminade: Middle Schooler Katja Osteen took FIRST place in her weight class, a feat never accomplished at the middle or high school level. She defeated young men from Paul Revere and Harvard Westlake which also helped Chaminade win the Delphic League Wrestling Championship last year. Some of her more memorable highlights include winning the prestigious Reno Worlds Tournament in the “14 and under division” when she was just 10.

Middle and High School Mock Trial Teams Win Los Angeles County Championship: Chaminade Mock Trial made history at the Stanley Mosk Courthouse capturing both the 2016 Junior and Senior Division Los Angeles County Championships sponsored by the Constitutional Rights Foundation. It is the first time ever that one school has won both.

Class of 2016 Athletic Scholarships: In the fall, seven Chaminade seniors received D1 scholarships and signed letters of intent for four different sports areas. The graduates include TJ Brock, TRACK, USC; Tommy Costello, BASEBALL, U. of Washington; Cayman Coughlin, SOFTBALL, Colgate University; Valerie Higgins, WOMEN’S BASKETBALL, USC; Leaonna Odom, WOMEN’S BASKETBALL, Duke University; Nick Kahle, BASEBALL, U. of Washington; Blake Rutherford, BASEBALL, drafted by the NY YANKEES.

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BRO. THOMAS FAHY, OSF, principal, West Hills

MR. MICHAEL VALENTINE, principal, Chatsworth

Aerie DEDICATION:

"This yearbook is dedicated to English teacher, Ms. Maureen Denny, wonderful and witty, she never fails to put smiles on her students' faces and brighten their day with kindness and humor. She can relate to the students through difficult times and acts as a role model for those who need her. Her dedication to Chaminade is evident in her motivation to inspire her students and help guide students on a path of success. Ms. Denny puts in countless hours staying after school to help her students and working on an unlimited amount of college recommendations. She is truly an inspiration!"

Founder's Day:

Congratulations to Nancy (Valtin) Leone '86, Cynthia Snyder, David Poms, and Sandra Poms for being honored as Chaminade Founders!

Chaminade Launches AP CAPSTONE PROGRAM:

The College Board's AP Capstone Program was announced to begin during the first semester of the 2017-2018 school year. Offered to students in the 10th and 11th grades, AP Capstone offers an innovative and engaging learning experience for advanced placement students which goes beyond the traditional AP course work and exams. Developed in direct response to feedback from colleges and universities seeking students passionate about learning, who think both collaboratively and independently, and who are effective communicators, the program takes two years and is designed to complement and enhance discipline-specific AP courses. AP Capstone is comprised of two courses, AP Seminar and AP Research.

Eagle Engineering Tops World in Programming Challenge:

Christian Gideon '19, Eagle Engineering programmer, earned the top score in the world in the Robot Virtual Worlds Vex Online Challenge this spring, earning his team a berth in the 10th Annual VEX Robotics World Championship.

Joseph Chilopoulos Performs with All-State Middle School Concert Band:

Joseph Chilopoulos made Chaminade history as the first middle school musician to represent Chaminade at the California State Music Educator's Conference in San Jose, CA. He was selected from among 2,400 student musicians from around the state to play in the California All-State Middle School Concert Band.

CHAMINADE COLLEGE BOUND COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS:

Seniors committed to competing in collegiate athletics. The list includes: Alec Aronson, GOLF, Hofstra U.; Kyle Bilchik, FOOTBALL, U. San Diego; Lily Nabet, SOCCER Duke U.; Kattie Pak, TENNIS, Whitman College; Jack Cheney, WRESTLING, Purdue U.; Jack Gallent, BASKETBALL, U. Dallas; Jackson Parks, FOOTBALL, San Jose State U.; Jenna Perry, SWIMMING, Chapman U.; Kasie Kohls, SOFTBALL, Denison U.; Nicole Kuberka, SOFTBALL, Worcester Polytechnic Institute; Jahlil' Kahlif Kahlif Turner, FOOTBALL, Northern Arizona U.; Isaiah Richardson, FOOTBALL, San Diego U.

Instrumental Music Builds Confidence and Develops Leadership Skills in Students:

A space to hone leadership skills is just one benefit middle and high school bands provide to Chaminade students. The high school offers more than a dozen instrumental music courses and groups to students. This past April, high school band members participated in the Harrogate International Youth Festival of Music and Performing Arts in England.

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Mr. Michael Valentine, principal, Chatsworth

CHAMINADE CELEBRATING 65 Years: Along with the 200th anniversary of the Marianists' founding, the 2017-2018 school year also marks the 65th anniversary of Chaminade College Preparatory...The Chaminade High School for Boys opened in 1952 at the former site of the Cheviot Hills Military Academy. At the time, the Marianists were seeking to expand their educational mission in Southern California. By the end of the 1950s, though, the need for updated, expanded facilities inspired the search for a new property in the San Fernando Valley...The search led the Marianists to Canoga Park and, in the fall of 1961, Chaminade welcomed students to the newly constructed facilities. As the 1960s wore on, Chaminade continued to grow and, in 1969, Chaminade established a Middle School in Chatsworth for boys, grades 7, 8, and 9. Finally, in 1972, both campuses became co-educational. From then to now, Chaminade has continued to adapt and change. Since 1952, Chaminade College Preparatory has educated thousands of young men and women. Both campuses have expanded dramatically including the addition of the Tutor Family Center for Performing Arts (High School), the James V. Adams Center for Innovative Learning, the Joseph A. Rauser Library Commons, the addition of a sand volley ball court (Middle School), and the renovations of both Campus Ministry offices.

CHAMINADE ACQUIRES SHOPPING CENTER ADJACENT TO WEST HILLS CAMPUS: In March, CCP's president Robert Webb announced that Chaminade had acquired the shopping center adjacent to its high school campus in West Hills. "The Saticoy property is a rare find for our school community," said Webb. "Over the past several years, our board of directors and administration have focused on our financial health in the event that an opportunity like this would present itself." The 4.8-acre shopping center currently houses sixteen businesses, including Field's Market. "We look forward to hearing from the community—faculty, staff, parents, students, alumni, neighbors, and others—about how this property can factor into our educational future and neighborhood."

VARIED CHAMINADE CHAMPIONSHIPS and HONORS

THE CHAMINADE PLAYERS RECEIVE FOUR NATIONAL YOUTH AWARDS for 2017-2018: 1) Outstanding Production: *Macbeth*; 2) Lead Performance in a Musical: Emma Mumford '18 as Miss Adelaide, *Guys and Dolls*; 3) Lead Performance in a Play: Samantha Bader '18 as Lady Macbeth, *Macbeth*; and 4) Lead Performance in a Play: Noah Baum '18 as Macbeth, *Macbeth*.

CHAMINADE FOOTBALL finished the 2017 season as League champions after their 57-33 win over Bishop Amat High School.

VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM traveled to Beijing, China for the International Youth Basketball Spectacular.

FENCING CAPTURES STATE TITLE: The Chaminade men's fencing team captured the state title at the 2018 California high school championships, edging out rival Harvard-Westlake and Brentwood.

SOFTBALL WINS THE CIF-SS DIVISION 5 TITLE: This is the Eagles' first CIF softball title since 2007.

CCP EQUESTRIAN IS THE 2017-2018 OVER HIGH-POINT SCHOOL CHAMPION: This achievement, the first time in CCP's history, is the equestrian equivalent to a CIF championship.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS' NEW LACROSSE TEAM WINS 1st LEAGUE TITLE: Chaminade's middle school newly formed girls' lacrosse team demonstrated they are a team to be reckoned with, winning their first Delphic Title against Culver City May 10.

9TH GRADER, KATJA OSSTEEN, WINS 2018 GIRLS WRESTLING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP: She is also the 2018 CIF-SS Masters champion (another 1st for Eagle Wrestling). As a CHAMINADE 7th grader, she became the school's 1st female wrestler to take first place in her weight class.

CCP COLLEGE BOUND ATHLETICS: **BASEBALL:** Jared Stark, Linfield College; Cole Reibenspies, United U.S. Naval Academy; Austin Sachen, Washington U. St. Louis; Sean Sullivan, UC Berkeley; Patrick Collins, U. San Francisco; Charlie Beilenson, Brown U; **BASKETBALL:** Luke Webb, Claremont McKenna College; Alex Rodriguez, California Lutheran U; Mackenzy Iwahashi, California Lutheran U; **EQUESTRIAN:** Mirey Kurkuoglu, Delaware State U; **FIELD HOCKEY:** Samantha Abbinanti, Marywood U; **FOOTBALL:** Alex Gubner, U. of Montana; Matthew Bohamed, U. of San Diego; Michael Wilson, Stanford U; Andrew VanBuren, Boise State U; Jonah Lipel, Harvard U; Parks Gissinger, Michigan State U; Dallas Taylor-Cortez, Iowa State U; **GOLF:** Will Draper, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo; **LACROSSE:** Cate Mackel, Elon U; **SOCCER:** Ashley Sapon, U. of Cal., San Diego; **SWIMMING:** Maddie Khoury, Willamette U.

THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS at CCP, A DECADE OF SERVICE: 400 athletes hailed from 17 schools! This tenth year annual CCP spring event, was hosted by 200 Chaminade high school students.

WELCOME NEW GRADS: During 2018 high school high school commencement, the CCP alumni welcomed its 11,000th member.

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Mr. Robert Webb, president

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Mr. Michael Valentine, principal, Chatsworth

Aerie DEDICATION to Mr. Paul Sauter: "For some he has been a coach and mentor, pushing us to excel. For others he is a trusted colleague, wise, and witty...Mr. Sauter is an exemplary steward of God's creation. His love for the environment is clear in his work keeping bees, chickens, and a rich home garden, educating his students to take care of the environment, and leading field trips to places like Leo Carrillo beach and Santa Cruz Island. He cares deeply about the health of the planet. He brings his passion and a wealth of knowledge to the science lab. Mr. Sauter is funny and relatable, a kind and caring teacher who makes connections with his students and cares about their well-being. He enjoys teaching his students. He is welcoming and accepting, genuine and easy to talk to. He is a natural educator. He began teaching at Chaminade in 2000 and has dedicated 19 years of service to our community. Off campus, he is a devoted husband of Mrs. Maureen Sauter, and father to Luke, a son...Mr. Sauter, Thank You for all that you contribute to Chaminade. We are ever grateful for you."

Middle School and High School Students Launch Recycling Program for REDS: Fr. Josephraj Rymond, SM, District of India, served as our chaplain from 2017–2019. He and Bro. Tom Oles, SM, enlisted help from students in our high school Environment Club and the middle school EPICC (*ecology program*) to collect money from recycling plastic bottles and aluminum cans at the school campuses. Proceeds were sent to help fund the Marianist REDS ministries in India. Started 30 years ago, REDS (*Ragpickers Education & Development Scheme*) was originally focused on providing support for the children who picked through trash looking for recyclables to sell to survive. Today, the program continues to operate ministries aimed at helping impoverished children and their families create a better life through education and training. Chaminade bought 50 large, bottle-shaped recycling bins that were distributed to both campuses for recycling. The program raised about \$2,000 for REDS this first year.

Marianist Fr. Ted Ley '58 Celebrates 60-Year Jubilee of Religious Life: Fr. Ted's journey with the Marianists began as a student on the original Chaminade campus in Cheviot Hills. He was the fifth student body president. He directed the music in Chaminade plays and was actively involved in speech and debate. Upon graduation from Chaminade, Fr. Ted entered the Society of Mary and after religious and professional studies, served Marianist schools in California, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and Switzerland. Fr. Ted came from a musical family. In 1963, he won the choir conducting prize of the American Guild of Organists. In 1976, Fr. Ted founded the Schola Cantorum of the Pacific, which provides free music education to children in need. He returned to Chaminade in 2000 and currently serves as chaplain and in 2018, he was named a Founder. Congratulations, Fr. Ted!

"Riot Games" co-founder Marc Merrill, Chaminade 1998 graduate, inducted to Chaminade's Alumni Hall of Fame on Feb. 3, 2018: Marc is a global business leader, co-creator of the online video game *League of Legends*, and co-founder of Riot Games. In 2016, *Inc.* magazine named Riot Games its Company of the Year. Marc prioritizes making a positive impact on the world, serving on the boards of several non-profit organizations. He remains involved at Chaminade, attending alumni events and working with students.

Chaminade Presents 2017-2023 Strategic Plan, "LOVING, LEARNING, and LEADING TOGETHER:" As described by Robert S. Webb, President, "throughout our history as a Catholic Marianist school, Chaminade College Preparatory has periodically undergone an examination of its mission, priorities, and role in the wider community...I am pleased to share with you the key strategic priorities the Chaminade Board of Directors has approved including: **Animate our Catholic, Marianist mission; *Elevate faculty and staff development; *Advance curricular excellence; *Prepare students for success; *Align campus facilities with program needs; *Ensure continue financial stability.*" Chaminade adopted a new mission statement and vision statement stated as follows:

OUR MISSION: *We inspire young people to love, learn, and lead through our Catholic and Marianist traditions of a living faith, academic excellence, and moral responsibility.*

OUR VISION: *CCP graduates are prepared, inspired, and equipped to: +Share God's love by caring for others and seeking justice and peace; +Learn, adapt, and grow with the world around them; +Become servant leaders and positive contributors to society.*

Chaminade Now, a publication of CCP, featured celebration of 65 years (1952-2017). It cited these "RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS:" The Tutor Family Center for the Performing Arts; The Joseph A. Rauser Library Commons; The James V. Adams Center for Innovative Learning; The Chaminade Endowment; Compensation benchmarks; and for enrolling a diverse student body.

VARIED CHAMINADE CHAMPIONSHIPS and HONORS:

Chaminade Players Receive Six Awards from the 14th Annual National Youth Arts Awards: Awards were conferred for their outstanding work in their dramatic production of *The Crucible* and their musical production of the *Wizard of Oz*. Awards Winners: 1) Outstanding Production: *The Wizard of Oz*; 2) Lead Performance in a Musical: Rachel Albrecht '19; 3) Supporting Performance in a Musical: Jater Webb '20 as Hunk/Scarecrow in the *Wizard of Oz*; 4) Supporting Performance in a Play: Mack Balleweg '19; Supporting Performance in a Play: Mack Balleweg '19 as Rev. John Hale in *The Crucible*; 5) Set Design: Jeff McLaughlin for the *Wizard of Oz*; 6) Direction: Yvette L. Bishop for *The Wizard of Oz*.

Middle School MOCK TRIAL Repeats as LA County Champions: Chaminade Mock Trial once again proved why it is one of the top programs in California. The middle school team successfully defended their title, defeating John Adams from Santa Monica and winning the 2017 Los Angeles County Championship. This is the 6th county championship for the middle school Legal Eagles.

CHAMINADE FILM WINS at Calabasas Film Festival. Filmmakers Aidan Hall '19, Matthew Steward '19, and Robert Shainsky '19 took home the prize for "Best Editing" at the 4th annual Calabasas Film Festival.

CCP Student Council receives "2017 National Gold Council of Excellence Award."

CCP COLLEGE BOUND COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS: BASEBALL: Tommy Borowski, Tiffin U.; Timmy Davoren, North Central U.; Trent Turquand, Chapman U.; Spencer Williams, Harvard U.; BASKETBALL: Weston Crump, Whitman College; Leslie Hunter, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo; FOOTBALL: Blake Antzoulatos, U. Cal., Berkeley; Nate Brady, U. San Diego; Tyler Daye, U. New England; Jalen Fisher, Brown University; Michael Erhart, Oregon State U.; Erich Osteen, U. California-LA; Jack Oswald, MIT; Chris Rankins, U. of Pennsylvania; SOCCER: Chloe Odabashian, Wesleyan U.; Geovanna Pereira, Boston U.; Samantha Reynoso, U. of Idaho; SOFTBALL: Tessa Magnanimo, U. Wisconsin-Madison; TENNIS: Sofia Lazzaroni, UC Riverside; Claire Perez-Korinko, E. Illinois U.; TRACK: Bailey Umans, U.C-Los Angeles; WRESTLING: Patrick Rowland, Duke University.

DENNIS HAAS, Longtime Friend of Chaminade Leaves Behind a Lasting Legacy: Dennis Haas humbly and faithfully served CCP for 48 years. A former Marianist, he later worked and retired from IBM but managed to volunteer at CCP where he led Kairos retreats, moderated LIFE, and helped the Advancement Office. He was honored by Chaminade in 1989 as one of Chaminade's first founders. After Dennis died Feb. 17, 2017, his brother, Loren Haas, informed CCP that Dennis made a philanthropic contribution through a planned gift. Dennis Haas has left an indelible mark on the school family through his years of service, his uniquely simple and humble ways, and now his incredible philanthropy.

THE CHAMINADE WELLNESS PROGRAM: Last year, Chaminade parents, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends were asked to invest in the newly created Wellness Program. During the Fund-A-Need portion of the 2018 Gala, the Chaminade community raised more than \$111,000 to jump-start the program and give Chaminade the tool needed to expand the school's vision to develop resilient students who are adaptable self-advocates and can successfully balance school life. The Wellness program addresses topics such as alcohol and substance abuse prevention, sexual abuse and rape prevention, and anxiety and depression, as well as offer faculty additional in-service and professional development opportunities...Chaminade is integrating the wellness program into the curriculum through health and religion class, guest speakers, and the creation of on-campus activities.

Advanced Placement CAPSTONE Program Adopted by Chaminade: Chaminade applied and was accepted to the AP Capstone Program for the school year of 2017-2018. The College Board since 2014 sponsored and developed this program to high schools around the world. The program presents a two-year curriculum and students' choice to join either their sophomore/junior year or junior/senior year. The rigor and relevance of the program is upheld with a mandated five-day summer teacher-training workshop, which has been attended by Chaminade teachers and administrators for the past two years. Instructional goals of AP Capstone "focus on the mastery of skills' sets over memorization of content." Our faculty participants felt that the program is an excellent fit for Chaminade with its emphasis on individualized learning, writing, and an interdisciplinary approach to studying. The program opens access to students beyond the more traditional, subject-area AP classes. Students well-suited to participate in the AP Capstone Program need to possess a strong work ethic, a solid responsibility for their choices, and a willingness to grow in their critical thinking skills. Finally, it was stated that "the stakes are high regarding collaboration, and students must develop their communication abilities and aptitude to synthesize material while considering various points of view."

2019-2020

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Mr. Michael Valentine, principal, Chatsworth

Aerie 2020 Yearbook DEDICATED TO MARIANIST FR. TED LEY: A graduate of the Class of 1958, Fr. Ted Ley, SM, was among the 36 students who were the school's fourth graduating class. Now Chaminade's school chaplain, Fr. Ted has served both our middle and high school campuses for over two decades. For those of us in the Chaminade community, Father Ted Ley is a constant source of faith and wisdom. Whether celebrating school Masses, sharing stories with us on retreats, or visiting our classes, Fr. Ted models the Marianist charism with every word (and song!) ...Anyone who has enjoyed an impromptu chat or deep conversation with Fr. Ted agrees that he cares greatly about each of us and about the school's mission to form academically prepared, morally aware people who can create a just, peaceful world.

Two Students Selected to Sydney Australia Opera House: Nicholas Amenta-Shin '20 and Kristin McGinnis '20 were accepted as finalists in the High School Honors Performance Series at Sydney Opera House. These selected finalists spent six days in Sydney, to study under master conductors and became acquainted with accomplished musicians from around the world.

High School Mock Trial Team Takes Home Championship: For the third time in four years, the Chaminade High School Mock Trial Team took home the Los Angeles County Championship at the Stanley Mosk Courthouse. The defense team, led by attorneys Chris Collins '19, Serena Gill '21, and Armen Ajemian '21, argued their case in front of Judge Rose and a panel of legal professionals.

College Bound ATHLETES: Student-athletes from the Class of 2020 take their talents to the next level as they sign their National Letters of Intent. The list includes **BASEBALL:** Jake Clark, Fordham U.; Jack Costello, U. San Diego; Carter Graham, Stanford U.; Andres Lou, Loyola Marymount U.; **BASKETBALL/Men's:** Abe Eagle, Gonzaga U.; **BASKETBALL/Women's:** Julliana Fletes, U. California Merced; Kimberly Villalobos, San Diego State U.; Alexis Whitfield, U. Washington; **FOOTBALL:** Daluan Bright, Portland State U.; Willy Camacho, Upper Iowa U.; Gabriel Hernandez, Oklahoma Panhandle State U.; Bryce Mack, Northwestern Oklahoma State U.; Brian Oney, Dixie State U.; JP Reilly, Drake U.; Tommy Sykes, Western Colorado U.; Jeremy Zuniga, Tufts U.; **LACROSSE:** Jake Cloutier, Concordia U.; Scarson Holtke, Florida Southern U.; **SOCCEER/WOMEN'S:** Hanna Knutsen, Lawrence U.; **SOFTBALL:** Gabby Hensley, Sonoma State U.; **TRACK & FIELD:** Jazmin Jackson, San Diego State U.

The **GIRLS' VARSITY TEAM** faced some tough contenders. They played with a lot of heart ending the season as CIF_SS CHAMPIONS and taking second place at CIF State Regional Championships.

MARIANIST CLASSIC: The 2nd Annual Marianist Classic Basketball Tournament was held at our Chaminade campus on Dec. 20-21. Five Marianist sponsored schools participated in the tournament: Central Catholic High School, San Antonio, Texas; St. Vincent-St. Mary, Akron, Ohio; St. Anthony School, Maui, Hawaii; Chaminade, West Hills; and Chaminade College Preparatory, St. Louis.

On March 2020, Chaminade was shut down due to the COVID-19 PANDEMIC: *When we lost 2.5 months of school, we lost 2.5 months of athletic events, activities and other spring semester events.*

SOCIAL DISTANCING: *To stay safe we were told to stay home and practice social distancing by staying 6 feet from others.*

STAYING HEALTHY: *Besides staying home, advised to wash hands for 20 seconds to prevent risks of getting the virus.*

QUARANTINE: During pandemic time, there was an increase in the usage of technology. Programs such as Zoom helped to connect with family and friends. Finishing the school year online affected everyone on campus. Seniors had to deal with the cancellation of some of their last memorable moments in high school. The school was able to show support and love for the Class of 2020 through various ways such as faculty and staff delivering CONGRATULATIONS signs to the houses of seniors and lighting the football field for 20 minutes in honor of the graduating class. A VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUSE took place on May 8th as students were still quarantined at home. Many sang, played instruments, and collaborated with others. As the Concert Choir's trip to Italy was cancelled due to COVID-19, they were still able to perform from that program during the Virtual Coffee House.

ONLINE LEARNING: Varied faculty members commented on this new style of teaching: "I had the opportunity to design a new approach to online theatre classes. The Zoom app enabled me to see my students and they were able to see each other, connect, perform, and create...The online learning experience has illustrated to me that students, teachers, parents, and staff can rise to any challenge and continue education, no matter what the circumstances...The hardest thing about online learning was not being able to see my students in person. I missed interacting with them.

Principal's Search: Bro. Tom Fahy, announced his retirement after 18 years of tremendous service to CCP effective July, 2020.

2020-2021

Mr. Robert Webb, resident

Mr. Luis Guerra, principal, West Hills

Mr. Michael Valentine, principal Chatsworth

WELCOME LUIS GUERRA, Chaminade's 2019-2020 high school campus Principal

As a 15-year Marianist Educator, Luis Guerra is a committed Catholic with a deep respect for the Marianist philosophy. "Receiving the call to serve this incredible educational community as principal was indeed a humbling experience. Like Jesus' Mother, Mary, I said 'YES' to serve this community because I have deep love and respect for it," says Luis. He has served as the high school dean of students since 2016. In the past two summers, he oversaw the operations of the Chaminade's Center for Excellence. Luis was the assistant director of campus ministry, while serving as chair of the Mission Integration Team, which liaisons with the Marianist Province. Prior to Chaminade, Luis taught religion at these Marianist sponsored high schools: Central Catholic High School, San Antonio, Texas; Villa Angela-St. Joseph H.S., Cleveland, OH; and Purcell Marian H.S., Cincinnati, OH. He was also the regional coordinator for the Marianist LIFE South Program. A product of Marianist higher education, Luis Guerra holds a bachelor's degree from St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas, and a master's degree from the University of Dayton. In September 2015 Luis was commissioned by the Marianist Province of the United States to become a lay affiliate of the Society of Mary (Marianists).

RISING UP TO THE CHALLENGE OF THE PANDEMIC: *Remarks from Robert Webb, President: "This past spring, with the pandemic growing in our country and across the globe, I witnessed the strength of our Chaminade family as we adapted to a new educational environment. I am proud of how our faculty and staff, much like Father Chaminade, demonstrated fortitude during difficult times, by quickly providing distance learning to ensure the health and safety of our students and families. We rose to the challenge before us by continuing to foster and nurture our family spirit through our first VIRTUAL GALA, livestreamed prayer services and Masses, online rallies and social events, as well as a drive-through culmination event and online graduation for our high school seniors and middle school eight graders...We certainly miss the joy that comes with being on campus-seeing students in the classrooms, gathering in the hallways, competing on the Deep Blue C, creating and entertaining in the Tutor Performing Arts Center, and celebrating in the DeLong Center and Uribe Center."*

CHAMINADE WELCOMES FR. MICHAEL CHIURI, S.M.: Chaminade is delighted to welcome Marianist Fr. Mike Chiuri, as our new priest-chaplain! The Marianist Province of the United States has recognized the continued need for a priest-chaplain and has assigned Fr. Michael Chiuri, S.M., to serve at Chaminade. Current chaplain Fr. Ted Ley, S.M. '58, will remain in residence at the West Hills Community and will help Fr. Mike acclimate to life at Chaminade. We thank Fr. Ted for his years of service to Chaminade and are delighted that he will continue to impart his wisdom and knowledge to his alma mater.

STUDENTS/TEACHERS MAKE THE BEST OF A TOUGH SITUATION UNDER THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC'S THREAT: Chaminade did more than just survive...it prospered. The school year proved to be a springboard to greater innovation in the delivery to students and families as well as an opportunity to reflect and become more intentional about our mission.

HERE ARE SUPPORTING REFLECTIONS PROVIDED BY FACULTY AND STAFF:

In March 2020, faculty and staff met to determine how they could adapt and change to the new social distancing rules. During the fall semester, many activities and events continued to happen—but *in a virtual rather than a physical space. Using Zoom and live streaming*, the school rallied to embrace the changes. Our caring, hardworking educators worked to give what they needed in this difficult year. Students and teachers made the best of a tough situation by staying enthusiastic about their studies.

THE ARTS DIDN'T MISS A BEAT: While musical and dramatic practices and meetings were held using Zoom, performances reached their audiences via live streaming. Working from home, film students continued to make films. Every class was entirely virtual. The school year culminated in a virtual film festival. Several films went on to win awards at film festivals outside of school.

MASSSES AND CHARITABLE WORK CONTINUED: Students and families were able to access prayer services virtually. Services were videotaped by students and staff. Small groups met weekly on Zoom for prayer. These sessions were livestreamed through the school website. Our middle school students were still able to enjoy beloved events such as Grandparents' Day and the blessing of the animals, all held virtually. Our high school students were able to experience retreats and complete service projects over via Zoom. Operation Gratitude on Ash Wednesday engaged 140 high school students in preparing bracelets, scarves, and other items for our military. Another 125 high school students organized over Zoom to make thank-you cards and letters for the school's essential workers. Ministry Mondays were started by Campus Ministry. The sessions became an opportunity for a small group of students to make connections during the lockdown and not to feel so isolated. The retreat program also underwent adaptations.

Normally, Campus Ministry conducts 15 overnight retreats throughout the year. Instead “retreat bites” or snippets were held, each with a different name and theme. The first was called, “In Trust” and the second was “Agape.” The senior retreats in February and March were adapted to feature partly online hybrid formats. In the fall, Chaminade students from all grade levels helped build community by packing and distributing food to more than 1,200 families in Canoga Park.

VIRTUAL RALLIES HELPED SUSTAIN STUDENT ACTIVITIES: Even with homebased Zoom activities, the middle school Mock Trial team won second place in the Junior Division at the 43rd Annual Los Angeles County Mock Trial Competition. Speech and Debate, Model UN and Robotics clubs engaged in Zoom regional competitions.

STUDENT COUNSEING NEEDS MET THROUGH INNOVATION: From summer College Boot Camp to college application workshops, from virtual visits by universities and colleges for students to monthly College Connection Zoom meetings for parents, families of students in grades 9-12 received background and preparation for college applications. The counseling office, working with the Diversity Team and Campus Ministry, presented programs on social issues, mental health and incorporating faith in one’s life. Counselors met with students daily. The school therapist continued meeting with students and running student wellness groups. The parent education series continued through evening Zooms. Topics covered ranged from helping students stay motivated during remote learning to mindfulness training for parents. The former in-person College and Coffee sessions for parents of all grade levels were renamed College Connections and were held in the evenings on Zoom, with presentations by counselors and visiting college representatives. The annual summer Application Boot Camps were held online. College admission representatives were also hosted online and were open to all grade levels.

NEW STUDENTS MADE WELCOME: In March 2021, new sixth graders were welcomed to the middle school. Organized into “stable groups,” they stayed together for activities, including orientation. Ninth graders came to campus for the first time for orientation on March 19. Divided into two groups, each group reported on different days to limit the number of students on campus at the same time. This was the first time ninth grade students were able to meet each other and their teachers in person.

THE RETURN OF ATHLETICS: When the pandemic hit, the athletics department had to reschedule more than 3,000 games. Each time the lockdown rules changed new protocols had to be written. For each rescheduled game, staff needed to make sure facilities, officials and other teams were available. January 2021 marked the restart of cross-country competitions for the high school team and the beginning of a compressed five-month season for fall, winter, and spring sports. In June 2021, twenty sports were going on simultaneously. Intense, but it worked! As Athletic Director Todd Borowski said, “It was fun. Six days a week, six nights a week since January. It’s very fulfilling in that we were able to compete and for the players to have some success. On one day, for example, we had home games in football, baseball and basketball (normally three different seasons).” Despite the year’s challenges, the school basketball team won the CIF-SS Division One title. Basketball “season” continued over the summer, and August 27, 2021, marked the first home football game and the return to a regular sports schedule.

COLLEGE BOUND ATHLETES: Class of 2021 student athletes will study in universities from California to the East Coast and in between. The list includes ***BASEBALL:*** Oskar Stark, Washington State U.; ***FOOTBALL:*** Jaylen Henderson, Fresno State U.; Jordan McIntyre, Brown U.; ***MEN’S BASKETBALL:*** Keith Higgins Jr., *Lehigh U.*; Kenneth Simpson, *U. of Colorado*; ***WOMEN’S FIELD HOCKEY:*** Cassidy Puleo, *U. of California, Berkeley*; ***SOFTBALL:*** Payton Wagner, Fairleigh Dickinson U.; Savannah Madrigal, Cal State U., Monterey Bay; ***WOMEN’S LACROSSE:*** Jackie Nuchow, and Sammy Nuchow, Vanderbilt U.; ***WRESTLING:*** Sam Weaver, Nebraska Wesleyan.

NEW GRADS HONORED AND CELEBRATED: “Drive through events were arranged for seniors to obtain their senior gear and to mark 100 days until graduation in February. The traditional Senior Sunrise event was held in person in March, a tradition that included a doughnut truck, photo taking, and a lawn sign for each senior that proudly read “Chaminade Class of 2021.” At another drive-through, the Tour de Nade, seniors picked up their caps and gowns and turned in their laptops...In February the eighth grade students also marked their 100 days until graduation with a similar drive-through event.

CLOSING REFLECTIONS ON 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR: Middle School Campus Ministry Director, Kate Beskid ’00, said, “There were some great things that came out of this tragic year.... When the pandemic hit, we had to become more creative about how to include the students and move away from more traditional experiences. We were able to focus on the students and help them grow in their faith. We became much more intentional in our programming. As I reflect on the past year, all the hardships and all the work the students did to make the most of their experience, to see the students able to attend their graduation in person was probably the best night of my whole school year and made me beyond proud of the programming and experience we were able to offer the students.” All in all, while it may not have been quite the year anyone had envisioned, Chaminade school spirit—among students, faculty, and staff—remained high.” Go Eagles!

2021-2022

Mr. Robert Webb, president

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CHAMINADE LAUNCHES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IN CELEBRATION OF 70th ANNIVERSARY

FULFILLING OUR MISSION: Reflections from Robert S. Webb P'18, '20, President

"As we celebrate Chaminade's 70th anniversary this year, it is a time for reflection as well as celebration. I look back at our history with gratitude for the Marianists who established our strong foundation as a Catholic, Marianist school, and for those advocates and supporters who left their legacy at Chaminade to ensure we can continue to fulfill our mission for generations of future Eagles. We celebrate a renewed commitment to making our school environment a place for our students to thrive, as they have endured a truly challenging few years. I am honored to share with you some exciting plans for Chaminade's next 70 years. Just prior to the pandemic, we developed a forward-thinking Two-Campus Master Plan that will transform our school and take it to an entirely new level in terms of academic excellence, safety/security, and wellness. The proposed infrastructure changes will provide our students with a safer, more supportive environment, as well as help ensure Chaminade remains at the forefront of Catholic education for years to come. Phase 1 of the Master Plan focuses on transforming the campuses by modernizing 1960s structures through strategic replacement and renovation, providing new and enhanced campus facilities, and improving the safety and security on both campuses by creating more restrictive access to student areas. To make Phase I of the Two-Campus Master Plan a reality, we have embarked on a \$7.5 million 'Soaring to New Heights' capital campaign to raise philanthropic funds toward the \$39 million project."

A Campus for the FUTURE:

Like those early visionaries, the Chaminade board of directors and administration sought to similarly prepare for the coming decades. Committed to staying at the forefront of Catholic education and ensuring the continuing future of Chaminade, they embarked on a comprehensive strategic planning process, building on Chaminade's strengths and evaluating areas for growth. The result was the development and completion of the 2017-2024 *Loving, Learning, and Leading Together Strategic Plan* and a new Two-Campus Master Plan adopted by the board in 2018. The purchase of the 4.8-acre Saticoy property across the street from the high school became the impetus for many of the athletic upgrades proposed in the new plan. Input was gathered from our school family, and existing facilities and future needs were evaluated. Many of the campus buildings required remodeling and updating. Other changes center on improving campus safety and security, as well as the addition of new buildings and sports fields. The school is working to obtain rezoning approvals and permits for the high school to move ahead with the plan for groundbreaking in Summer 2025. Fortunately, funders like the Fritz B. Burns Foundation agreed with the plan and made the largest gift in the history of Chaminade--\$3 million, to fund a new Welcome and Student Services Center. Chaminade alumni and families have made generous philanthropic commitments to the campaign that have brought the campaign closer to its \$7.5 million goal.

Middle School Campus New Plan: Improvements enhance vital programs and student safety.

***New Middle School Science Lab** for academic excellence.

***New Middle School STEAM Lab** for collaborative and experiential learning.

***Relocated Middle School Entry and Administration** to divert traffic off-campus and increase safety by having the administration in a building with a secure lobby closer to the main entry gate.

***New Entry Court and Courtyard** and a series of interior gates and fences to improve campus safety and ensure the security of the campus perimeter.

High School Campus New Plan: Improvements enhance and centralize student services, expand access to athletics for increased student wellness, and improve safety

***New High School Administration Building/Welcome and Student Services Center:** The new "front door" to the high school with entry to the main campus at the bridge. It will include Administration, Counseling Center, New Library, Two new classrooms.

***New and Renovated Athletic Fields:** New baseball and soccer field on the 4.8-acre Saticoy property and renovation of the current baseball field into a softball and soccer field.

***Bridge to High School Campus:** Provides safe access to the new entrance and academic core of campus from new student parking spaces on the Saticoy property.

***Two New Quads:** Safe, traffic-free student gathering places for rallies, outdoor classes, club fairs, and meetings.

***Relocated Campus Ministry:** Places Campus Ministry at the heart of the campus in the former administration building

***Two Art Studios:** New classrooms in the former library are designed to support arts education.

IN LOVING MEMORY: in the 2021-2022 yearbook, the Chaminade community grieved over the death of two stalwart staff members. Zach Boren, "Laptop Hospital" Technical Specialist, from 2010-2021 serviced students, faculty, and staff very diligently with care and friendly humor. He steadfastly dealt for months with incurable cancer...Candice Looper, Attendance Officer since 2009, passed away in her sleep very unexpectedly. "Candice was beloved by her colleagues and knew each of the students when they entered her office. Her 'I love yous' were exchanged daily and she never failed to make every student feel that Chaminade was home away from home. She will be forever remembered by Chaminade students as an exemplar of Marianist values, especially *family spirit*."

CHAMINADE RETREATS: The Chaminade tradition of retreats is alive and well—even through the last two years of COVID. For staff and students, it is an integral part of a Chaminade education, a means of growing in understanding—of oneself, one's peers and one's faith. Campus ministry educators enthusiastically report that students of all ages and faiths benefit from this time of reflection...Each retreat has its own theme, unique curriculum, and goals and activities.

EAGLE FEST: Music...Food...Sports: Saturday, April 9, 2022, was an evening to remember as Chaminade's gala benefit and auction was reimagined into an exciting new signature fundraising event, **Eagle Fest!** The inaugural outdoor spring festival was held on the West Hills campus and welcomed more than 500 parents, alumni, and friends who enjoyed a variety of delicious food, wine, brew, and spirit booths from 23 local exhibitors.

COLLEGE BOUND ATHLETES Class of 2022: The list includes: **BASEBALL:** Aric Berg, Fordham U.; Peter Michael, U. of San Diego; Sean Youngerman, Westmont College; **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:** Kayla Cabaccang, Concordia U.; **BEACH VOLLEYBALL:** Izzy Martinez, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo; **FOOTBALL:** John Crawshaw and Victor Crawshaw, Carnegie Mellon U.; Paul Holyfield, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo; Amari Powell, U. St. Thomas; **GOLF:** Maggie Balleweg, Vanguard U. of Southern California; **WOMEN'S SOCCER:** Brennan Cole, Cal Poly, San Obispo; Taylor Jackson, USC; Jessie Stonehouse; **SOFTBALL:** Riley Shubb, Yale U., Haley Carlson, Oberlin College & Conservatory, **TRACK:** Patrick Ize-Iyamu, University of Oregon; **VOLLEYBALL:** Bridget Brady, Fordham U.; **WRESTLING:** Zeth Romney, Cal Polly, San Luis Obispo.

LOOKING BACK, MOVING FORWARD: 2021-2022 **(Aerie STAFF REFLECTIONS)**

*"A **SUMMER BACK:** During summer, there were a variety ways Chaminade's students spent their well-earned vacation. Whether they went out of town or out of state, worked or volunteered, practiced their sport, art, or craft, went out with friends, or simply stayed at home, students enjoyed themselves after another year of hard work in the academically active environment of school...Students were given the opportunity to volunteer for the Center for Excellence. This program gives Chaminade students a chance to be leaders and welcomes younger children with many artistic, athletic, and academic sessions."*

*Flow into **FALL:** The fall season began, and everyone took their first steps onto campus to embark on their Chaminade journey. Between sports, Senior Sunrise, orientation, Homecoming, Drama, clubs, and retreats, there was no shortage of ways for students to participate and start their school year off strong."*

*Walk into **WINTER:** Students enjoyed basketball and soccer games, wrestling meets, retreats, concerts, robotics competitions, final winter break, and more. Students prepared for semester exams, Christmas vacation and the fresh semester beginning in January. The winter provided Chaminade students a lot to do, and they gave it all they had."*

*Swing into **SPRING:** With spring now ahead of them, freshmen, sophomores, and juniors prepared to enter the next chapter of their high school career by choosing their courses for the next year. Meanwhile, seniors readied themselves for the changes which would follow graduation. There were still a variety of ways to make the most of the remainder of the year with learning, athletics, and extra-curricular activities to enjoy."*