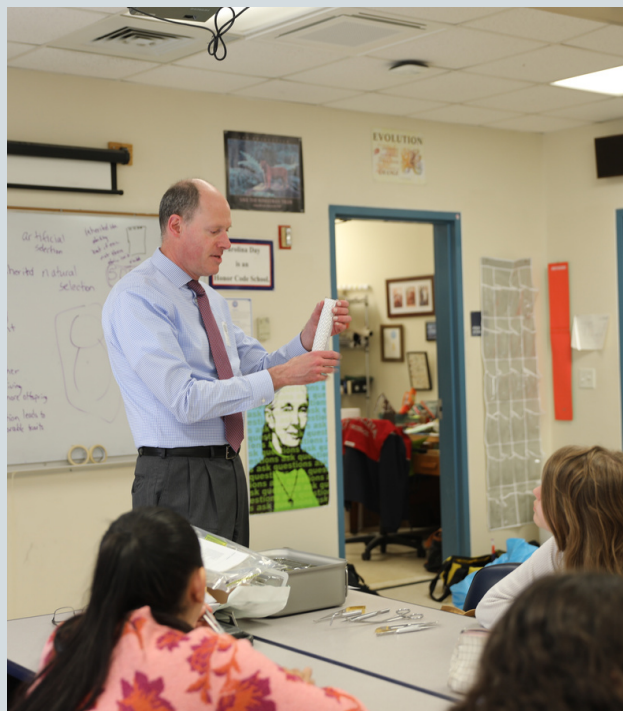


LEGACIES



August 2023



DR. KENT WILLIAMSON ACDS '85

Dr. Williamson returned to Upper School science teacher Joanne Bartsch's classroom in April to help inspire a new generation of doctors. Williamson credits Ms. Bartsch, who was his science teacher when he attended ACDS, and her passionate teaching as the reason he went into medicine. A skilled photographer who has had his work recognized by several publications, including *National Geographic*, Williamson also visited Upper and Middle School photography classes to discuss his techniques, and he met with Upper School students interested in medicine to talk about their future careers. What an inspiration!



“Legacy is not what I did for myself. It’s what I am doing for the next generation.” ~Vitor Belforte

We are very fortunate to have so many wonderful alumni who continue to give back to our school community. In giving of ourselves through time, talents, and financial support, we build a brighter future. We are happy to feature these wonderful alumni who have mentored students, shared time and talents with our CDS community, and have supported our annual fundraising efforts and future endeavors.



EMI KUBOTA CDS '97

Alumna Emi Kubota brought the fun of her new business, KidCycle Club, to the Carolina Day campus in April. Kubota was recently featured in the *WNC Business Magazine* for her brainchild which offers after-school programs, parent days, and summer camp programs for everything from beginner basics to mountain biking. Kubota is just one of many examples of our alumni who pave a unique path for themselves post graduation.

Interested in getting involved, mentoring students, or sharing a talent? Email alumni@carolinaday.org



ALUMNI EVENT AT ASHEVILLE TOURISTS GAME

"There's no place like home."

We were so happy to welcome several alumni home during an Asheville Tourists Game on Friday, June 23rd. The Tourists may have lost to the Hickory Crawdads, but we still had fun over some burgers in the Pavilion and in the stands with Mr. Moon. We had current staff and some future Wildcats there to share in the festivities too! It was a wonderful evening of friendship, great food, and baseball!



WE HAVE A NEW LOOK!

We are proud of our history and all that our predecessor schools and alumni did to pave the way and lay a solid foundation for Carolina Day School. This logo symbolizes all of that and more. We pay homage to SGP, GH, and SG-GH by representing the pines, ship, and cardinal. And we acknowledge ACDS and the beautiful bell that has continued to be an honored emblem of CDS.

SG-GH PAST STAFF LUNCHEON

The Alumni Office welcomed some familiar faces back on campus in June. Several of our SG-GH teachers who also worked through the merger that created Carolina Day School came for a visit and enjoyed sharing stories with CDS administrators over lunch. They were excited to see all of the updates and changes on their tour of the school.

Another past staff lunch is being scheduled for Homecoming on October 6th!



Have ideas for an Alumni Event or care to host one? We have an Alumni Association Meeting scheduled for September 19, 2023 and we are looking for new ways to engage with our alumni! Register for the meeting by visiting www.carolinaday.org/alumni/meetings and become part of the conversation.



MADI HUFFMAN CDS '18

Madi Huffman graduated from Carolina Day School in 2020 and is well on her way to becoming a lawyer as she attends UNC Chapel Hill, double-majoring in history and political science with her eye on law school post graduation. Recently she became a published writer and is sharing her poems, short stories, lyrics, and creative thoughts with readers everywhere. *Scribbles: an anthology of creative word vomit* is a journey from adolescence into young adulthood and “commemorates hopeless romanticism on the dawn of self realization, all while determined to enact lasting change.” Some of the writings published in *Scribbles* were first shared in CDS’s Upper School literary magazines.

This spring, Madi recently attended “Share the Promise” as the Keynote speaker and attested to the fact that her education was made possible by Financial Aid. She is grateful for the education and opportunities CDS provided her. Her book is now on sale in the Spirit Store and a portion of her book sales will be donated to Financial Aid to support other CDS students.

CAROLINA DAY SPIRIT STORE

The Wildcat Spirit Store is always stocked with CDS spirit wear and gear for our current families, staff, and alumni. We are excited to now offer predecessor school spirit wear! Ordering is as simple as emailing alumni@carolinaday.org with your size and school. Shirts are priced to include tax and shipping. An online store will be available soon for your convenience.





**TWO BELOVED STAFF RETIRE!
DAVID DVORSCAK AND ANNE IMES**

David Dvorscak, Director of Theatre Programs & Upper School Theatre and Speech teacher, has worked at CDS since 2007. Lovingly known as "Mr. D," he won several awards for his theatre productions, acting, and devotion to CDS during his tenure.

Anne Imes, Lower School Pre-K & Kindergarten Instructional Assistant, is an SG-GH alumni who has taught at CDS since 2004. She ensured that the classrooms were bright and safe with her positive energy and excitement for learning.

Thank you for all the memories, lessons, and care you provided to all of your students! We hope your next adventure is one filled with excitement and joy!



"What I loved most about teaching at Carolina Day School, aside from working with great kids and families, was the collaborative and supportive environment. Each teacher was passionately invested in the growth and well-being of their students. As a group, we always did the best we could to teach academics and character. This was a mindset passed down from Joe Lalley, the Head of School at St. Genevieve-Gibbons Hall, and shared by the school's current leaders."

Anne Imes SG-GH '82

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOMECOMING | October 6, 2023

Breakfast at the Grotto | 9:30-11:00 am

It has been 10 years since the Grotto moved from what was the campus of St. Genevieve-of-the-Pines to the backyard of Carolina Day School!

Past Staff Luncheon | 1:00- 3:00 pm*

For all SG, GH, SG-GH, ACDS, and CDS past faculty and staff.

Fall Family Festival | 3:00-5:30 pm

Memory Lane Display | All Day*

Come for a walk down memory lane through a curated display of memorabilia.

Alumni Association Awards | 5:30 pm*

Join us as we honor three very distinct and impactful alumni.

C. Robert Bell, Jr. Distinguished Alumni Award

Dave Johnson ACDS '86

Athletic Hall of Fame

April Dockery CDS '96

Artists Hall of Fame

Robert "Bob" Henson (1939-2012)

ACDS and CDS Faculty Member

For more information about our recipients please visit www.carolinaday.org/alumni and click on *Alumni Association Awards*.

*In the Alumni Gymnasium



Please visit carolinaday.org/alumni to update your contact information, register for meetings, and stay up to date on upcoming events and news. To connect with someone in the Alumni Office, feel free to email alumni@carolinaday.org.