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Another academic year has passed and our beloved alma mater continues as a dynamic institution, posted to send young people into the world as leaders. There's no way to encapsulate all that happened over the last 12 months into a single letter, so I'll share a few highlights.

Have you attended a Concordia Christmas Concert lately? Did you know that the 2016 concert "Gather Us In, O Child of Peace" earned a regional Emmy award for special event coverage? Super cool! You'll definitely want to score a ticket to a concert this upcoming holiday season!

Who went on a May Seminar? For me, in 1999, it was my first time traveling abroad and the experience has such a way of expanding my sights. This May, among many travel away opportunities, the Concordia Orchestra spent two weeks on a cultural immersion trip to Greece, visiting eight cities and performing several concerts.

During May I followed along a group of Cobbers traveling around the American West, no doubt learning about our natural world, our beautiful national parks, and a little bit of personal resourcefulness. Check out their adventurers on Instagram @cobbersgowest



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Concordia has been awarded a \$1,000,000 grant from the Andrew Mellon Foundation in honor of former Mellon Foundation president Earl Lewis 78. This grant will be used for faculty development, scholarships for diverse students, program support for the Office of Diversity and support for the National Book Awards. This grant is in addition to the \$800,000 grant from the Mellon Foundation the college received earlier this year to support PEAK and diversity initiatives across campus. This funding is such a coup in Concordia's cap!

This past fall, Concordia College launched the RISE Campaign, a comprehensive fundraising campaign with a goal of raising \$150,000,000 by December 2019. These funds will be used to support three pillars of the Concordia experience: integrative learning, inclusive learning, and innovative learning. You can be part of this effort with your annual gift to the college.

The Department of Chemistry celebrated 100 years in early March. The day-long celebration included talks from chemistry alumni from across the country, a career networking event for students and a banquet in the evening with Robert Homann, Professor Emeritus and Past Dean of the College, as the keynote speaker.



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Not a whole lot of news from you all this year - - but I understand that it is just a busy time in our lives as we care for our families, engage in our communities, and reach for our professional goals.

Megan (Roth) Winter welcomed baby girl Ivy to the family. Ivy joins siblings Geneva and Sawyer.

Anna (Bullwinkle) Malloy completed an MSN degree from Villanova University in Pennsylvania. She is a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner. Kudos on that accomplishment, Anna, and thanks for taking good care of kids and families!

Christina Myers has a new gig: She's the Digital Sales and Revenue Specialist at Media Lodge.

Jessica (Marthaller) Heilman was elected to the West Fargo School Board in June for a 4 year term. Kudos!

STAY CONNECTED

CONNECT: Stay Informed (Cord.edu/classnotes or 218.299.3743)

Update your information online or by phone to know what's happening among alumni and with the college.

ENGAGE: Get Involved (Cord.edu/engage)

Provide meaningful experiences for students and participate in alumni events, programs and teams.

SUPPORT: Make an Impact (Cord.edu/give or Cobbersgive.org)

Give to student scholarships and campus projects to ensure educational enrichment for current and future Cobbers.

SHARE: Show Your Cobber Pride (Cord.edu/social and Cord.edu/refer)

Interact on social media using #cordmn, show off your alma mater swag and tell future Cobbers about your Concordia experience.



Thank you!

THANKS to our 51 classmates who made philanthropic contributions to the college in the last year. Your gifts equaled \$12,271 which was deployed to help students through scholarship support. Since graduating, our class has given a total of \$149,869. How cool is that? What an amazing impact we continue to have on generations of Cobbers. I hope you'll join me in making a gift again this year.

*Here's to another year of living the mission,
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