2024 Cornerstone Day Honorees

Mission Support- The Curé of Ars Foundation & Jim Hamilton '85

The Curé of Ars Foundation began its support of Archbishop Curley in 2015, and grants from the foundation have made a tremendous impact on Curley's Franciscan Youth Ministry (FYM) program. Funding has helped offset the costs of small group activities for the FYM and has enabled students to attend overnight retreats such as the Encounter the Gospel Service Camp and Mount 2000. These experiences have provided young men more intensive opportunities to explore their faith, learn how to be intentional disciples of Christ, and dive deeper into their identity as Curley brothers.

We invite Mr. Jim Hamilton, a member of the Curley Class of 1985 and the founder of The Curé of Ars Foundation, to receive the "Mission Support" Cornerstone award on behalf of the foundation.

Unsung Alumnus- Neil Cashen '72

Neil Cashen, a graduate of 1972, has been a committed patron of his alma mater, supporting its three capital campaigns, the Annual Fund, and special projects. He was a member of Curley's School Board, including serving as Board Chair, and was also a part of the committee for the school's 50th anniversary building campaign, *In Giving We Receive*. Cashen more recently volunteered his time on the Class of 1972's Golden Friar reunion committee and played a leading role in helping his class establish an endowed scholarship. Neil is regularly at the school for sporting events as he remains an avid fan of Curley's athletic teams.

As an active alumnus who has given his time and treasure to better Curley, Neil Cashen is recognized on this Cornerstone Day with this year's "Unsung Alumnus" award.

Dedicated Volunteer- Frank Giampa

Frank Giampa's volunteer efforts at Curley began when his son, Scott, a 2020 graduate, first entered the school. Giampa was a regular volunteer at Open House and other school functions, and was the President of the Friar C Club, the parent support group for Curley's athletic teams. His son's graduation did not lessen Giampa's commitment to Curley. He has since joined Curley's School Board and is a tireless volunteer for the Curley Gala, the school's largest annual fundraising event.

For his selfless dedication and time invested in Curley, on this Cornerstone Day it is an honor to present the "Dedicated Volunteer" award to Frank Giampa.

Scholarship Donors- Robert '71 and Cheryl Roettger

For over 30 years, Robert Roettger, a member of the Class of 1971, and his wife Cheryl, have been generous contributors to Curley through the annual fund and capital campaigns. In 2020, they established The Roettger Family Scholarship which is awarded annually to a student in need of financial assistance. The couple continue to build the corpus of this scholarship. Bob and Cheryl's leadership gift was also instrumental in helping his Golden Friar class reach their fundraising goal to establish the Class of 1971 Scholarship which is earmarked for the grandson of a member of the class.

On this Cornerstone Day, the school is pleased to honor Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roettger as "Scholarship Donors" and for their support of the Curley mission.

Long Serving Faculty & Staff- Cheryl Jose

Cheryl Jose has been a member of the Curley faculty for 44 years. During this time, she has taught thousands of students and has been a long-time chair of the World Language Department. Cheryl's influence on Curley's young men has not been limited to the classroom. She oversaw the production of The Cord yearbook for 35 years and has been moderator of the National Honor Society and Spanish Club. In addition, Jose has represented the faculty on Curley's School Board and has assisted the Advancement Office with two capital campaigns. She refuses to slow down and currently serves as the St. Bonaventure Honors Program coordinator and moderator of the Spanish Honor Society.

Today, in the category of long-serving faculty and staff, we honor a woman who has dedicated her life to the students of Curley, as we present a Cornerstone Award to Cheryl Jose.