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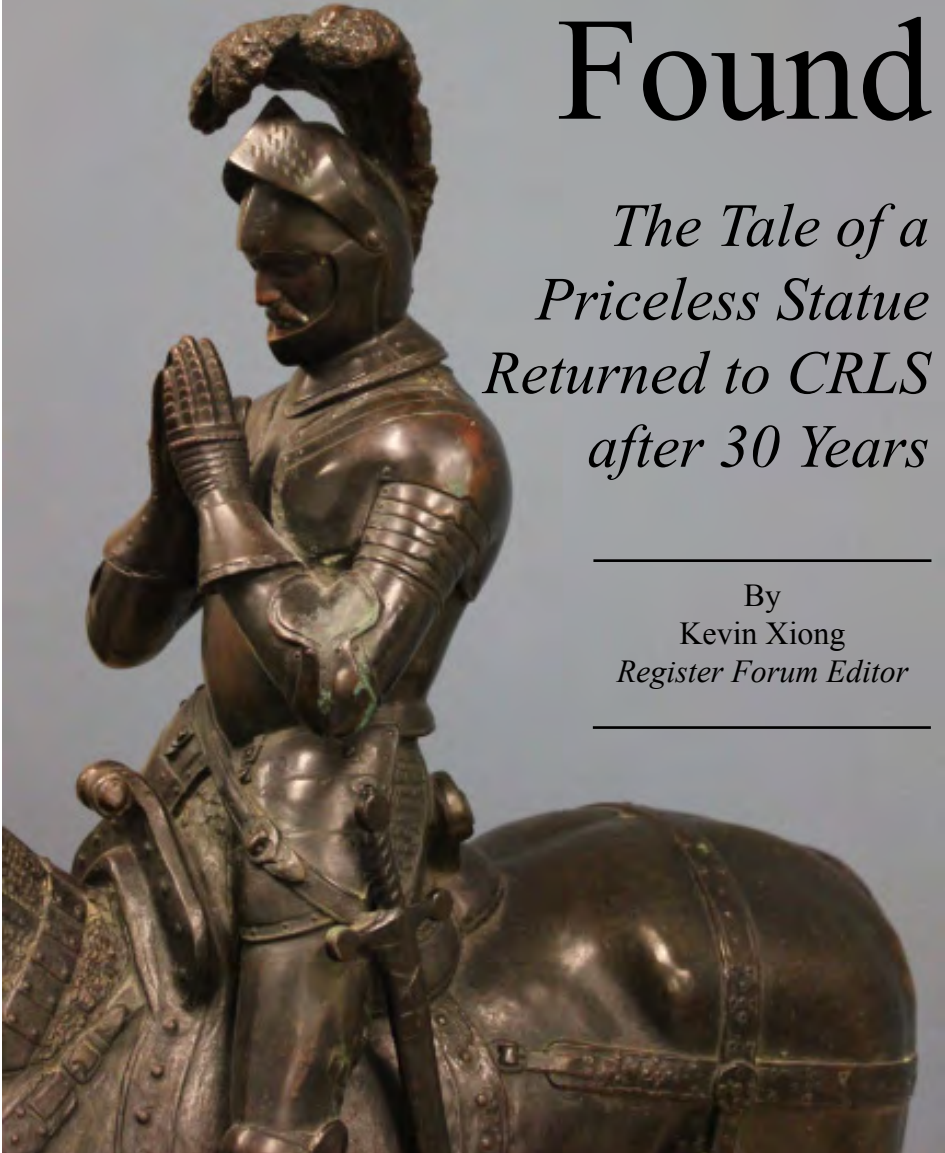
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## Lost and Found

*The Tale of a Priceless Statue Returned to CRLS after 30 Years*

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"Praying Knight," renowned sculptor Cyrus Dallin's tribute to eleven Cambridge High and Latin alumni who died in World War I, is finally returning to the school this fall after its disappearance during a school renovation project 32 years ago.

Dedicated to the high school in 1929, the three-foot bronze statue, estimated to be worth as much as \$100,000, was Dallin's effort to honor the "noble and spiritual side of the boys." Dallin's other famous works include "Paul Revere" and "Appeal to the Great Spirit," which reside in Boston's North End and in front of the Museum of Fine Arts, respectively.

In 1980, "Praying Knight" stood to the left of the Trowbridge Street entrance, but in the midst of a renovation project, it was removed from its home. Three decades later, on May 29th, 2012, a Somerville family, unaware of its origins, contacted the Cyrus E. Dallin Mu-

seum for an appraisal via a collector. However, during the appraisal process, the museum realized that "Praying Knight" actually belongs to CRLS.

"I was in shock when the collector told me he was in possession of the 'Praying Knight'," exclaimed Founder of the Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum James McGough, in an exclusive interview with the Reg-

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-- Superintendent Young*

ister Forum. McGough is an expert on all things Dallin. "I knew it would eventually turn up somehow – I just didn't think we would be involved."

After hanging up the phone, McGough called Superintendent Jeffrey Young, who then contacted the police department. Later, the family willingly returned the statue, and no charges were filed.

"It felt like I was in a CSI episode," said Superintendent Young. "I want to thank Detective

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## Freshmen Falcons Ready for Flight

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On the morning of September 4th, a welcoming sea of CRLS upperclassmen met an eager flood of freshmen as they crowded the jam-packed Fitzgerald theatre. These upperclassmen took on the roles of mentors for the newly arrived freshmen class, sharing their collective words of wisdom.

Senior and veteran freshmen mentors Nolan Garskovas and Christina Kaltcheva advised to their freshmen individually: "Don't hold back. Don't be afraid to explore all the fun opportunities CRLS offers, and get involved early rath-

er than later. It is easier to make friends when you're doing something you love, so take advantage of clubs and sports."

CRLS has always been a place of inclusivity and remains open to exploring many different dimensions, including a diverse array of academic classes, a

stellar arts department, glorious athletics department, and a comprehensive vocational program. With all of the possibilities and a diverse array of opportunities CRLS also takes into consideration the importance of peer mentorship as well as

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Ms. Lozada and the freshman mentors address the class of 2016.

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## Whole Foods Supports FOCRLS

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On Wednesday, September 12th, three Whole Foods locations (Prospect Street, River Street, and Fresh Pond) donated 5% of their net proceeds in support of the Friends of CRLS (FOCRLS). In total, \$15,287.91 was raised.

According to FOCRLS' official website, www.focrls.org, "This generous donation will support FOCRLS grants to CRLS faculty and students in the areas of ecology, the environment, and nutrition."

FOCRLS also supports CRLS through Faculty Grants, Student Travel



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Fellowships, Unsung Hero Awards, Faculty Distinction Awards, First Scholars Awards, Saheed Future Educators Scholarships, and the It Takes a Village college readiness program.

On behalf of the CRLS community, the Register Forum would like to thank Whole Foods Cambridge for its support of CRLS students and to all the families who went grocery shopping there on the 12th!

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