

Distinguished Alumni 2024 Announcement

Catholic Schools Week

The Cardinal Mooney Distinguished Alumni Award is presented annually to graduates who demonstrate concern and dedication to others by embracing Cardinal Mooney High School's Pillars of "Sanctity, Scholarship and Discipline."

These alumni have excelled in their profession, made a positive impact on their community, lived a life rooted in faith, & continued to support the strong tradition and bright future of CMHS. Our honorees serve as outstanding role models for prospective and current Cardinal Mooney students.

During this special time, Catholic Schools Week, we are thrilled to announce our 2024 honorees who will be recognized on April 10th, during an all school prayer service at Cardinal Mooney.

Dr. Chrisanne Gordon and Mr. Robert W. Clark

Dr. Chrisanne Gordon is a 1971 graduate of Cardinal Mooney High School. Dr. Gordon received her Bachelor of Science degree from Duquesne University. She went on to study at The Ohio State University College of Medicine, graduating in 1977 (summa cum laude). From 1977-79 Chrisanne participated in the OSU Internal medicine Program and then the OSU Physical Medicine Program. She was the first medical director of Honda of America in Marysville, OH before final training and her board certification in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation in 1988. Today, Dr. Gordon's primary interest is in the rehabilitation of patients with Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), and over the past 15 years, she has dedicated her life to supporting our military veterans.

In 2010, with mentoring from fellow CMHS alum, Ray *Boom Boom* Mancini, Dr. Gordon filmed an eye-opening documentary entitled **Operation Resurrection**, about the TBI epidemic in our returning military veterans. And in 2012 she founded **Resurrecting Lives Foundation**, the only veterans' non-profit organization specifically dedicated to TBI awareness, diagnosis, and treatment. Last year, Dr. Gordon helped to create the short film, "**Brainstorms**", focused on supporting the recovery of our veterans. This film gives the audience an experiential account of what life is like for veterans suffering with a traumatic brain injury.

Dr. Gordon has presented her research and advocated for veterans on major military bases, at educational institutions, with national Veterans Services Organizations, on Capitol Hill & to NATO.

Mr. Robert W. Clark is a 1984 graduate of Cardinal Mooney High School. Mr. Clark received his bachelor's and master's degrees in criminal justice administration, from Youngstown State University. Currently he is a doctoral candidate in Cyberpsychology from Capitol Technology University.

Mr. Clark has over 35 years' experience in local, federal, and international law enforcement. In 1989, Robert began his career at the Youngstown Police Department. He was assigned to the Special Investigation Unit as a Vice and Narcotics Officer. He went on to work with the U.S. Department of Justice and the FBI, where he served in Chicago, Washington, DC, and Los Angeles. Mr. Clark was the Assistant Special Agent in Charge in Los Angeles, CA. leading more than 350 agents and task force officers, focusing on gangs, violent crime, drug cartels and crimes against children.

Mr. Clark later served as the Senior Superintendent for the Trinidad & Tobago Police Service. He oversaw intelligence efforts and helped build infrastructure to upgrade policies and strategies for combating murders and violent crime and improving community relations. Currently Robert is the President of Public Safety for the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Housing Authority.