

Mr. Keith and Mrs. Robyn Zimmet Lifetime Achievement Award May 2013

This Award honors and recognizes an individual who has performed extraordinary service for Viewpoint School and its community over an extended period of time.

Keith and Robyn Zimmet joined Viewpoint's community in 1998 when they enrolled their older son Tyler '11 in Kindergarten. Their goal was to find a School that reflected their family's values and strong sense of tradition. Over the past 15 years, Viewpoint has benefited from their wisdom, work, and limitless commitment to the success of our School.

Their younger son Evan '13 will graduate from Viewpoint in June and attend Georgetown University; Tyler '11 attends Columbia University. As the parents of two "lifers," Robyn and Keith have embraced Viewpoint since they first stepped on campus as volunteers and generous supporters of the School's strategic priorities.

In his quiet and unassuming manner, Keith has thoughtfully provided wise counsel and leadership as a trustee. His contributions to the Board since that time are unparalleled. He served as Chair of the Board of Trustees, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Chair of the Finance Committee. Keith played an invaluable role in every legal aspect of Viewpoint's Master Plan and in the revision of the School's By-Laws.

Robyn's volunteer service matches Keith's commitment of time, passion, and leadership. She immediately volunteered with the VSSA, the Annual Fund, and the Benefit with the twin goals of building upon our traditions and raising funds on behalf of our students. Robyn joined the VSSA Executive Board 14 years ago and subsequently served as President, Vice President, Great Pumpkin Day Chair, and Hospitality Chair, and led Homecoming and Senior Events. She co-chaired two key Benefits — our 50th Anniversary Gala in 2011 and the 40th Anniversary Benefit in 2001 — and was Chair of numerous Auctions.

Keith has a favorite story about Joe DiMaggio's making a great play in center field during an end-of-year, meaningless game late in his career. When asked why he hustled on a play in a game that meant little to the Yankees, Joe responded, "... there is always some kid who may be seeing me for the first time. I owe him my best." With a deep and abiding commitment and love for Viewpoint, Keith and Robyn have approached their many voluntary roles at Viewpoint with that same desire to do their best at all times. As a result of their dedication, Viewpoint is immeasurably better as a School.