



Cystic Fibrosis Scholarship Foundation
Helping young adults with CF pursue their dreams

Summer 2010

From the President:

Thanks to the generous support of our donors, in April the Scholarship Committee awarded \$109,000 of financial aid to 43 young adults with cystic fibrosis. Our scholarship recipients will variously attend community colleges, state universities, and private colleges, as well as vocational training. Though these young people have achieved much, they are still in great need of our financial assistance and support, and just knowing that there are people—and strangers, at that—willing to help them obtain an education means so much to them. The support of our donors helps them not only accomplish their goals, but deepens their sense of community, and further enkindles their and our faith in the essential generosity of others. On pages 3 and 4 we have the privilege of introducing you, through their own words, to two of our spring graduates.

One of the goals of the CFSF is to continue to award multi-year scholarships, which aids students in their financial planning. Thus, we were very excited this year to be able to award nineteen multi-year scholarships. Three of these awards have been made possible by donations from other organizations that fund special memorial scholarships. Information on these awards as well as all the recipients is included on page 2 of the Newsletter. Although individual donations were down last year due to the economic environment, our 2010 Chicago wine tasting bridged the gap and allowed us to maintain a level of funding consistent with previous years. Further information on this event is contained in this newsletter.

Since 1999, over \$800,000 of scholarships has been awarded. This support has been made possible by all of our friends, who have generously given not only their money, but also their time. As a parent of an adult with CF, I am every day encouraged by new medical advances being made in controlling this disease and extending life expectancy. It also makes me aware of how important our work is for those young adults struggling with this disease, as their chances for a long, rich future are increasing every minute. I wish to express my appreciation for all of those who have helped our young adults with CF pursue their dreams during the past eleven years, and I know I am joined in this by all of the recipients of the CFSF awards.

Mary Kay Bottorff

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Scholarship Winners for 2010-2011 Announced

The Cystic Fibrosis Scholarship Foundation is pleased to announce the recipients of the forty-three scholarships awarded in April 2010. The following students have been awarded multi-year scholarships:

Jeremy Abbott	Florida	Sean Hughes	New York
Paul Auchter	Pennsylvania	Scott Jakiel	Pennsylvania
Kelsey Becker	Minnesota	Christopher Newton	New Hampshire
Mary Grace Bernard	Louisiana	Jillian Porter	California
Steven Broeske	Ohio	Julia Ruggirello	Michigan
Patrick Fulkerson	North Carolina	Kaleigh Rume	Maine
Morgan Grimmett	Kansas	Taylor Stroop	Florida
Monica Henry	North Carolina	Nicole Wise	Ohio

The following students have been awarded single year scholarships:

Katharine Anderson	Illinois	Katharina Hess	New York
Ryan Barschdorf	Illinois	Rebecca Keating	Kansas
Emily Blackner	Maryland	Jeremy Kharrazi	California
Brandan Bookman	Ohio	Heather Kosrelnik	Wisconsin
Matthew Brantley	South Carolina	Stephanie Lima	Connecticut
Jamie Caminiti	Michigan	Kellisa Myers	California
Elizabeth Determan	Minnesota	Anne Sakellar	New Hampshire
Amanda Dewyer	Michigan	Ashley Sidaras	Ohio
Megan DiBenedetto	New York	Carolyn Stafford	Florida
Marissa Dunne	Massachusetts	Joseph Stevens	Florida
Paul Freda	New Jersey	Kaitlin Tippie	Ohio
Lacey Grindstaff	North Carolina	Mya Zimmer	Louisiana

We are also pleased to announce that the recipient of the Kevin Tidwell Memorial Scholarship is Ted Lopatin. He will receive \$2500 per year for four years. He is from Connecticut and will be attending the University of Connecticut. This scholarship is made possible by the generous donation of \$10,000 from the Kevin Tidwell Foundation.

A scholarship in memory of Glen Parsons has also been funded by the Kevin Tidwell Foundation. Glen was a founding member of the Kevin Tidwell Foundation who donated his time and energy to that organization for over twenty years. This \$10,000 scholarship was awarded to Dana Desautels. Dana is from Vermont and is planning to major in computer science at the University of Vermont.

Alexandra Barley has been awarded the Tim and Ritch Dangel Memorial Scholarship. Alexandra is from Florida and plans to attend the University of Central Florida to study history. She will receive \$2000 per year for four years. This award has been made possible by the fundraising efforts of the family of Tim and Ritch Dangel in Ohio. The family sponsored a golf tournament last fall and the proceeds were donated to fund this scholarship.

We wish to congratulate all of our award recipients as well as all of our applicants and wish them all the best in their studies this fall. Congratulations to all!

The Art of Fine Wine, A French Wine Experience



The Art of Fine Wine, A French Wine Experience, was held on Sunday afternoon, January 31, 2010 at the River East Art Center. Approximately 200 guests sampled wines from five regions of France, while also enjoying French food. The afternoon included a silent auction which included items donated by several artists from the Project 465 artist residency program at the River East Art Center. The afternoon raised \$50,000, all of which went towards scholarships for 2010.

Two scholarship recipients from Illinois, Mark Zieleinski and Kevin D'Agostino addressed the group to talk about the importance of CFSF and its impact on our young adults with cystic fibrosis. After Mark and Kevin spoke about their college experience with CF, Amy Bottorff led the "Support A Student" drive which raised an additional \$3,000 for scholarships.

The afternoon was a success thanks to our great sponsors who supported the event including the following Silver Sponsors: Bottorff Family, HSBC-North America and Roosevelt Management Company. Bronze Sponsors for the event were: John Burns Construction Co., Kirschhoffer Truck Service, Inc., Mission Capital Advisors, LLC, Montemayer Construction, Plote Construction, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Rico Enterprises, Inc., Tonyan Bros., Inc. and Truck King Hauling Contractors, Inc. In addition there were many friends who made contributions or donated services for the event as well fine wines for the "Buy A Cork" which contributed to its success.

Meet Anna Johnson, Recent Graduate



My name is Anna Johnson. I was diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis at 7 months old. Coming from a musical family, I realized that I was very passionate about music at a young age. After high school graduation, I decided to go to Gardner-Webb University to earn a music degree. I have gratefully received the CF scholarship all 4 years of my undergraduate degree. I am now a graduate from Gardner-Webb University with a Sacred music degree, concentration in piano. Gardner-Webb, being a private university, is quite expensive, and receiving the scholarship from the CFSF has been very beneficial for me.

Growing up with a chronic illness has provided a different perspective on the brevity of life for me. Because of this, I have developed a passion for people whose life situations seem hopeless. I desire to combine my passion for music, my love for Jesus (who is my ultimate healer), and my compassion for those who feel hopeless. Next year, I will be attending Appalachian State University to receive a Masters in Music Therapy degree.

After graduating with my masters, I would love to work in a medical setting, specifically with children. A long-term dream for me is to possibly open my own practice, or practicing music therapy either in the states or abroad. No matter what I end up doing, I look forward to working with people and sharing my love of music.

Upcoming Wine Tasting Event

The third Chicago wine tasting to benefit CFSF is planned for Sunday afternoon January 30, 2011 at the River East Art Center in downtown Chicago. The event will feature South American food and wine, and will include a silent auction featuring great works of art as well as a raffle. We are seeking corporate

sponsors for the event. Sponsorship levels will be at the \$2,500, \$5,000 and \$10,000 level. If you know of any companies that we should approach please let us know.

If you are interested in working on the committee, please contact the Foundation at 847-328-0127 or email mkbcsf@aol.com. We are looking for additional committee members to promote this event.

30th Annual Phoenix Invitational Tournament



Mary Kay Bottorff, Don Tidwell and Judy Parsons

The Kevin Tidwell Foundation hosted the 30th annual golf tournament in Phoenix on May 8, 2010. Golfers enjoyed a beautiful day followed by a western style barbecue. A portion of the proceeds were donated to CFSF in memory of Kevin Tidwell, a young man who lost his battle with CF. In April 2010, two scholarships of \$10,000 each were funded from contributions of the Kevin Tidwell Foundation to CFSF. See page 2 of the newsletter to learn more about the recipients.

We are very grateful the support this wonderful organization has provided to our young adults with CF.



Meet Casandra Caminiti, Recent Graduate

Casandra Jo Caminiti graduated Magna Cum Laude from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor of Music degree in voice performance. She was on the Dean's list each semester and was elected into Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Kappa Lambda: The National Music Honors Society. During her career at Western, she performed in two operas, including being cast for the lead role of Pamina in Mozart's *The Magic Flute*. For three years, she placed at the NATS (National Association of Teachers of Singing) Competition. She was the recipient of the Mae Arnold Thacker Scholarship and a Marcella S. and Philip F. Faustman scholar. Casandra was also awarded the Betty Van Andel Scholarship through Opera Grand Rapids. She most recently placed 2nd in the Kalamazoo Bach Festival's Young Vocalists Competition. She was a member of WMU's nationally recognized University Chorale. During the summer of 2008, the Chorale completed a concert tour of Austria, appearing at St. Stephens Cathedral in Vienna, the Haydnsaal of the Esterhazy Palace and the Bergkirche of Eisenstadt; burial church of Haydn. During the spring of 2009, the University Chorale collaborated with Seraphic Fire, the Pulitzer Prize nominated professional vocal ensemble from Miami, and Grammy award winner Peter Rutenberg in a recording project celebrating the 400th anniversary of the Monteverdi Vespers. The two groups went on tour to promote their recording this past spring, with highlight performances in Mexico City's Catedral Metropolitana de Mexico and Palacio de Bellas Artes.

In the fall, Casandra will be attending Manhattan School of Music in pursuit of her Masters of Music degree in voice performance. After receiving her Masters, she wishes to develop a career as an opera singer and also possibly go on to earn her Doctorate. Casandra's accomplishments and dreams would not have been possible if not for the generous financial assistance of institutions like the Cystic Fibrosis Scholarship Foundation.

***Donor List and Designated Honorees and Memorials
April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010***

The Cystic Fibrosis Scholarship Foundation wishes to acknowledge the wonderful generosity of individuals and foundations who have become our partners. Without their generosity, individual interest and commitment, our scholarship recipients would not be able to pursue their dreams of a further education. There have been many gifts to honor and remember friends and family of our donors. We would also like to take this opportunity to recognize those that have been remembered with a gift to the Foundation. To each and every one of you who have supported us during this year, Thank You!

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the many friends and family of Emily Simon who passed away last summer for their generous donations in her memory. Emily was a CFSF scholarship recipient. Donations in her memory provided funds for a four year scholarship awarded in April 2010.

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