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Family and Friends: We could not do this without your help!!

WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE THE DOGG DAY HATS?



Nicaragua



Brandon & Lauren's Wedding



Bangkok

ANDREW K. DWYER FOUNDATION SPRING NEWSLETTER 2016



DOGG DAY '15

Dogg Day 2015 was another unqualified success! We had a great turnout with over 100 golfers and tennis players and over 240 at the evening festivities. And it was festive. Once again, a big thank you to Ben Cameron and his band. I didn't think Ben could get any better but I was wrong, he keeps bringing down the house.



At the auction a new star was born. Cushing Donelan joined our renowned auctioneer Dede Brooks to auction off Donelan Wine and perhaps found a new calling. Among such merriment, we set a new auction bidding record. Thank you to the tremendous groups of donors who gave so generously to make our success possible, and to the winning bidders – our thanks, and enjoy – you won some fabulous items.

Chris Brooks provided a particularly poignant moment announcing the posthumous dedication of the Andrew K. Dwyer Award to Denise Hyland – an avid supporter. The Foundation has received over \$45,000 in gifts in Denise's memory. Her son, John Hyland, announced that with these funds the Foundation will start the Denise Moores Hyland Scholarship at the Dominican Academy in New York City and endow the fifth grade humanities teacher for two years at East Harlem School.

Community and caring have been hallmarks of Dogg Day. To all of you first time attendees, as well as our longtime supporters, your attitude and generosity make all of the planning and hard work worthwhile. Because of you, we not only raise money, but we truly celebrate Andrew's life.

Thanks to your gifts, the Foundation now supports seventeen scholarships, numerous intern programs and specialty programs that provide opportunities to over 500 young people. We know we are making a difference. As evidence, the East Harlem School recently awarded the Foundation along with the Brooks family their Warrior Award for outstanding contributions to the School.

To all the volunteers: Great job! To all our supporters: We can't wait for Dogg Day 2016.

THE SOCIETY OF MEMORIAL SLOAN KETTERING CANCER CENTER

"We are grateful for the AKDF continued support to the Society's Children's Committee. Through your support, we are able to host parties throughout the year for the Department of Pediatrics.

The Society of Memorial Sloan Kettering Children's Committee hosted the 25th Annual Pediatric PROM in May of 2015. Twenty-five years ago, the prom began as an intimate dance party with one boom box. This was hosted by nurses who wanted to lift the spirits of a few teen girls who were upset to be missing their own prom because of their treatment and hospital stay. The Children's Committee was thrilled to host the annual PROM, which has been transformed into the hit party of the year, but has remained a special celebration of life and hope for the children and their families in the Department of Pediatrics at MSK.

Each year for Halloween, the Children's Committee collects new Halloween costumes in all sizes from which the kids may choose. We have a magician as entertainment and sweet treats (and healthy treats too) for the children. They go trick-or-treating to each of the nursing stations in the Department of Pediatrics. The staff stays up all night to transform the nurses stations into a special theme – this year included Dunkin Donuts nurses (they wore inflatable donut rafts), astronauts in outer space, and characters from the movie Inside Out.



For the Holiday Celebration, the hallways and rooms were decorated just like the North Pole. Each child had a chance to sit with Santa and receive a gift bag stuffed to the brim with goodies. Also, our patients and their families were treated to face painting, holiday cookies and entertained by carolers and craft-making stations."

ANDREW K. DWYER SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED AT THE RIPPOWAM CISQUA SCHOOL

At Dogg Day, we announced the creation of an Andrew K. Dwyer Scholarship at Andrew's alma mater the Rippowam Cisqua School. The idea was simple to give a deserving young person the opportunity to attend a wonderful school, but we worried that finding the right student to start this emotional initiative would be difficult. Thanks to the tremendous support of RCS, the amazing training at the Waterside School, an intrepid and totally supportive mother – but most of all to Nina – we are off to an amazing start.

Nina has made an outstanding and seamless adjustment and transition from Waterside School to Rippowam Cisqua School. She made friends instantly and remarked to me, "I only felt new for a few days!" She has faced her new academic challenges with excellence, enthusiasm and diligence. Nina has also embraced the extra-curricular courses and mission at RCS. She loves art and music, has participated in community service projects, and earned a lead role in the 6th grade play. In addition, Nina was a valued member of the 6th grade soccer and basketball teams. She is on the lacrosse team this spring. Nina accomplished all of this while continuing to swim competitively after school, a passion she found while at Waterside thanks to the generosity of the AKDF. Nina is a charming young lady and we are thrilled that she is representing RCS and the AKDF.

Ashley Harrington - Rippowam Cisqua School

EAST HARLEM SCHOOL PRESENTED THE WARRIOR AWARD TO THE ANDREW K. DWYER FOUNDATION

Dear Dwyer family and the Andrew K. Dwyer Foundation,

A 2015 LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GIRLS' LACROSSE TEAM – and so much more – can be attributed to your generous contributions to our work! Your scholarship support and lacrosse funding through the years have allowed us to powerfully change the trajectory of young lives and a larger community.

The scholarship awards have put students, often as the first in their families, on a path to college, independence, and full participation in our democracy.

Lacrosse has helped our students build enduring friendships, taught them the value of maintaining honor under pressure, given them access to new communities, and allowed them to participate in a beautiful sport that grows from indigenous American roots that so many of them share.

Your families are deeply valued and loved by the EHS family, and we hope that our Warrior Award will remind you of a gratitude we will never forget.

Ivan Hageman – Head of School

HOTCHKISS LACROSSE ALUMNI GAME IN MEMORY OF ANDREW



On May 16th over 35 Hotchkiss alumni returned for an epic reunion battle at Baker. With dreams of former glory, classes paired off into two teams to relive some special memories and show that they still had it. Andrew's teammates from the Class of 2001 had a strong showing and included Oliver Barry, Chris Brooks, Chris Einhorn, John Hyland and Brandon Rogers. The group made the expected but somewhat bold proposal of playing old graduating years vs even years. The move was expected in that it would be fun to keep the squad together, bold in that they represented 5 of the oldest guys in attendance. To enhance the challenge, the team was rounded out by a number of fellow 30 – something that included Andrew's former schoolmate, Russell Sprole '03 and Dogg Day regular, John Walsh '97. Not only was the game competitive but there were flashes of brilliance with the old guys from the odd years pulling out a stellar victory. It was great fun for all. And happily, although some would be sore, no trips to the infirmary.

As much as the day was in memory of Andrew, it was truly a tribute to Burchie – long time and revered Hotchkiss coach – Chris Burchfield. Players returned for the camaraderie and to show their respect and admiration for what Burchie means to each of them.

After the game, the school hosted a barbecue dinner replete with laughter and new memories.

THANK YOU HOTCHKISS and BURCHIE FOR A SPECIAL DAY!

ANDREW K. DWYER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

BEDFORD POLICE, FIRE AND EMT SCHOLARSHIPS

ISABEL PERRY is the newest RECIPIENT of the AKFD SCHOLARSHIP joining an already talented group of young students.

ISABEL PERRY is finishing up her postgraduate year at Deerfield Academy and will be attending Williams College in the fall. When Isabel was at Yorktown High School she earned High Honors and was captain of the field hockey and lacrosse teams. At Deerfield, Isabel is an honor student in addition to playing three varsity sports.

LOGAN CARBAUGH - "I can't believe this is my last semester at Gettysburg College, 4 years went by so fast! I will be graduating in May with a Bachelors of Arts in Political Science.

Although I am very sad to be leaving Gettysburg, I am very excited to start the next part of my life! Also, I am extremely thankful for your generosity, as the Andrew K. Dwyer Scholarship has made it financially possible for me to attend Gettysburg College."

JULIA SMITH - "So far my college experience has been better than I ever imagined. I absolutely love all the people that I have met, especially the ones living in my dorm building. I feel as though the majority of the professors are genuinely interested in my learning as opposed to high school where I felt as though they were just concerned with pushing the students along. At SUNY Geneseo there are so many ways to get involved both on and off the campus.

Now, lastly, I just want to say thank you again for awarding me this scholarship, it has helped fund my higher education tremendously. Along with the substantial financial help, it has also served as another reason to keep my grades up as high as I can. Overall, college has been amazing."

BRENDAN SMITH - "I just completed my first semester at Dean College and I made the Dean's List. In addition, I was invited to enroll in the honors program at Dean. I had a very busy semester balancing the academic challenges of college and playing on the baseball team.

The Andrew K. Dwyer scholarship was essential to me, as it helped me afford college. I am very grateful to have received the award."

RYAN TASSONE - "I have begun my second semester of education at Penn State University. Aspiring to major in finance, I have found success academically. I spent time outside the classroom by pledging the Sigma Chi Fraternity. Through Sigma Chi, I look to become involved at the Business School by joining the Penn State Investment Association.

The Andrew K. Dwyer scholarship has given me the opportunity to receive a great education at a great university, and for this I am grateful."

GABRIELLE BARREA-FONTAN - "I began my college experience at UCONN thinking I would pursue a career in education. Being there helped me to decide that I wanted something different. Luckily, I was accepted into the University of Miami, which was my dream, and now I am pursuing possibilities in orthopedic medicine.

Through the generosity of the Andrew K. Dwyer Foundation, I am able to pursue my degree while living in a vibrant and exciting community. The scholarship has allowed me to attend my dream school, a school that would have been otherwise financially out of reach."

OLIVIA AZARK is in her junior year at James Madison University and taking a heavy course load due to missing a semester for military training. This past summer and early fall, Olivia served at Fort Leonard, Missouri. There she learned to properly maintain and operate large military vehicles such as the 5-ton LMTV and the HUM-V.

"The Andrew K. Dwyer Foundation Scholarship has been invaluable in helping me to keep my education affordable. In my family, there are three children. My brother and I are currently in college and my youngest brother is in the process of planning for college. Between tuition, books, room and board, this is an enormous financial burden for my mother, a single parent, my siblings and me. With your generous help, I am able to minimize my loans and the burden on my family."

CAMERON DIEBOLD - "I am currently in my sophomore year at SUNY Cortland. I am majoring in Sports Management and planning on declaring a minor in Business Economics.

I am truly grateful for this scholarship, and would like to thank everyone who is involved in the Andrew K. Dwyer Foundation."

OLIVIA WARNER - "I am in my third year studying at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. I'm continuing my degree in Financial Economics. This past semester my courses were largely specific to my major. I thoroughly enjoyed taking classes such as Asset Pricing and Econometrics. This scholarship has helped me to study abroad for the whole of my university career. Throughout my time at St. Andrews I have been truly immersed in an international culture and have learned so much; not only in my classes, but from my peers as well. So thank you to the Andrew K. Dwyer Foundation for supporting for me!"

WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE THE DOGG DAY HATS?



Nashville



Seattle Seahawks



The Maldives



WATERSIDE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Typically, Waterside provides the Foundation with the name of one student deserving of support, in honor and in memory of Andrew – a true honor both for child and School.

This year, it was impossible to choose just one student as we had two students so deserving. AKDF stepped up and supported two young girls (both Class of '16), both with extraordinary talent and the brightest of futures.



SARAH is a tremendously bright, hardworking, and diligent student with amazing depth of soul and character.

KAYLA is the strongest student in this year's graduating class and one of the finest to ever come out of Waterside School.

Both of these girls are exceptional and will attend Greenwich Academy in the fall. They will faithfully honor the ideals of the Foundation and the memory of Andrew. Individually and together, they will provide proof of what a child can do and become if given a chance, a push and the support of those of good heart.

Jody Visage - Head of School

THE FIRST TEE OF CONNECTICUT AKDF AWARDS 4 SCHOLARSHIPS

The First Tee Scholars Program is a national distinction awarded to participants who excel in academics, leadership, character development, as well as chapter and community involvement. The First Tee of Connecticut is proud that among the 113 scholars making up the Class of 2015 National Scholars, three are from Connecticut.

KEVIN FERGUSON is attending Boston College and majoring in Marketing.

"As a relatively introverted person, The First Tee has helped me to build social confidence. I am paying my way through college, so this scholarship is really great to have."

ALBERT HANSRISUK is attending Western New England University in Springfield, MA studying communications with a concentration in Journalism.

"Receiving the Andrew K. Dwyer Foundation Scholarship at the Annual Patron's Breakfast last year was the highlight of my summer. Not only did the scholarship help make the pursuit of a college degree become more feasible, but it has inspired me to study harder and do well in Andrew's honor."

CHRISTIE WILLIAMS is attending Campbell University and is majoring in a PGA Golf Management and business program.

"At the First Tee Breakfast, I discovered that I was one of the students that you selected to receive a very big scholarship! I thought I was dreaming at first. I was so excited, and I knew this would really help my parents and me with my college expenses. Thank you from the bottom of my heart."

CALLIA RICOZZI is attending the University of New Haven and Majoring in Mechanical Engineering. Callia's goal is to design mechanical parts for robot assisted surgeries.

"Thank you to the Andrew K. Dwyer Foundation for the generous scholarship. There is no way that I would have been able to have these unique and life-altering experiences without this assistance."

HARLEM ACADEMY AKDF AWARDS 2 SCHOLARSHIPS

Harlem Academy 2nd Graders Leon Wright and Derrick King:

LEON is a bright student and a hard worker. In his final report card last year, his teacher wrote, "Leon's written work and overall effort have been impressive this term. He takes his assignments seriously and works conscientiously. Leon has consistently demonstrated the habits of a successful learner and is a positive contributor to our school community. He always tries to make good choices and will not compromise his integrity." Leon lives with his parents in Mount Vernon, NY.

DERRICK thrived in his first year at Harlem Academy. His teacher commented on his report card, "You should be very proud of Derrick. He worked very hard this year. He is a compassionate person and is wonderful with his classmates. He completes all of his homework and assignments, and is always prepared for class discussions and tests." Derrick lives with his parents in the Bronx.



ANDREW K. DWYER FOUNDATION CHARITY UPDATE

EAST HARLEM SCHOOL LACROSSE

The East Harlem School lacrosse program is poised for another great season. AKDF has funded EHS lacrosse since the program's inception. Once again this year, with help from John Hyland and Chris Einhorn, we sponsored two April clinics to help kickoff the 2016 season at Adelphi University and at Hotchkiss. The EHS students braved the rain and the wind to have an excellent session at Adelphi. In Lakeville, the players participated in a spirited practice with the Hotchkiss boys and girls varsity teams. The EHS teams then ate lunch with the Hotchkiss players, toured campus and watched the Hotchkiss girls defeat Millbrook. As always, it was a wonderful day for everyone involved with tremendous enthusiasm from both the EHS and Hotchkiss players.

The EHS boys team continues to progress as they look to improve from their 2015 campaign where they reached the league semifinals in the inaugural year of the MSAL. They will play an 8 game regular season followed by playoffs, their most robust schedule ever, as the sport continues to grow around New York City. Several 8th grade boys intend to play in high school next season, after graduating from EHS.

The pressure is on the EHS girls team after record breaking seasons in 2014 and 2015. The 2014 team was undefeated and the 2015 team won the first ever MSAL Championship. The girls team lost some talent as at least 4 players from last year's team are currently playing in high school, including at Miss Porters, Berkshire and Cathedral. Nevertheless, the girls showed intense focus during their clinics and seem eager to repeat their recent success. The team boasts several girls who intend to play high school lacrosse next year at the likes of Dana Hall and Cushing Academy, among others.

Special thanks to Adelphi University, Meghan Crisafulli, Mary Beth Brophy, Anna Traggio and Chris Burchfield for all your help with the clinics!

PROJECT SUNSHINE INTERNSHIPS

Project Sunshine is so grateful to the AKDF for the generous funding of the outstanding Senior Interns.



Meghan Amorosa and Lauren Valletutti were chosen from a competitive pool of hundreds of applications. Each a super star, they thrived and learned and provided incredible support to our expanding volunteer network. These positions have been key to our recent dynamic success and made it possible to bring smiles, enriched programming, special events, hope and support to hundreds of courageous young patients and their families this year!

We feel privileged to honor Andrew's memory with these moments of sunshine for which the children's parents express and extend daily thanks.

Beatrice Kernan - Director of Project Sunshine

WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE THE DOGG DAY HATS?



Club Championship



Dallas, Texas



Happy Birthday



Anquilla



Claret Jug

WATERSIDE SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM

This is the 11th year of the Waterside School Swim Program and it has been an incredible success.

Thanks to the Andrew K. Dwyer Foundation, all 160 students have had swimming instruction at the Y during the school year.



"I like swimming at the YMCA. I feel like they really want you to learn. Learning to swim is awesome."

"When I swim I think it is like art. You have to do the right movement at the right time. I like swimming because I can express myself."

NEW YORK HARBOR FIELD TRIP TO FISHERS ISLAND

Harbor School students and staff along with the Billion Oyster Project staff traveled to Fishers Island for a weekend of applied learning and team building. This trip has become a staple in the development of Career and Tech Ed programs and integral to the work of Billion Oyster Project. Many of the challenges of working and learning in New York Harbor are alleviated on Fishers Island. The trip affords students the rare opportunity of collaboration amongst Career and Tech Ed programs in a much safer and less restrictive environment.

Aquaculture and Ocean Engineering students are stationed at the nursery for the day. These students work on grading oysters. First, they collect nets full of oysters from the pond, empty them into baskets and then run the small oysters through grading machines. These machines separate oysters by size and allow them to be re-stocked in the pond as groups of like sizes and stocked in the nets at the appropriate densities. Once the oysters are graded and back in nets, the nets are carried back out to the pond to be installed on the lines, where they will grow and mature over the summer.

The trip to Fishers Island is a favorite for staff and students at Harbor School. It is our hope to continue making this trip each spring. None of this would be possible without the support of the Andrew K. Dwyer Foundation.

Pete Malinowski - Billion Oyster Project Director and Program Director of the New York Harbor School

AKDF PARTNERSHIPS WITH WISHBONE ORGANIZATION

The AKDF supported 5 students to attend summer enrichment programs. One was an alumnus of Harlem Academy and four were from the East Harlem School. All five had incredible experiences: from Law and Forensic Science classes at Georgetown, soccer at Nike Camp to Writing classes at Syracuse University. The students were challenged and enriched by these special summer enrichment opportunities.

