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Fundraiser Concert a Success

We saw many of you at the Foundation's Livingston Taylor Benefit Concert, "A Celebration of Hope," at the National Heritage Museum this spring. The tulips and daffodils were just beginning to peek from beneath the last remaining snow when we gathered on March 26th, the eve of what should have been Anne's thirty-eighth birthday. Instead it was a celebration of Anne's legacy and the accomplishments of programs supported by the Anne E. Borghesani Community Foundation since its inception in 2000. We are thankful for your generous contributions both at this event and over the past five years. They have enabled the Foundation to honor Anne's life and continue to support programs that enrich the community and work to prevent violence.

Anne's nephews, Andrew, Brian, and Mark Borghesani with Livingston Taylor



Nearly 400 friends and supporters – some who have walked with us in this journey without Anne since 1990 and others who have joined us along the way – enjoyed an evening of music and community *In Anne's Spirit* punctuated by the Livingston Taylor concert at the National Heritage Museum. Now the last of the flowers put forth their blooms and the leaves fall. While the memories of that spring evening linger, we wish to extend a sincere thank you to all our supporters: the talented Livingston Taylor, the community members who attended the concert, the donors and buyers of the Silent Auction items, the local merchants who gave us food and drink, the event committee who worked so tirelessly for the success of the evening, and the many loyal donors who were unable to join us that evening.

The proceeds from this event wonderfully exceeded the event committee's expectations. It is always with some trepidation that a small non-profit plans a fundraiser, hopeful that returns will significantly surpass expenses to benefit deserving programs. Our event planning committee sought donations of goods and services, and sponsored expenses by private donations. Receipts from concert tickets resulted in \$8000 above expenses for the evening. We received \$7000 from the silent auction and \$12000 in cash donations. As always, your contribution will directly benefit community programs.

With passing time, Anne's reality becomes blurred. It is more difficult to envision Anne – where would she be living, would she be a mother, what work would she be doing? We do know she would be a vibrant part of her community. She would feel honored and appreciative of the work you, our contributors, have made possible through your support of *In Anne's Spirit*.

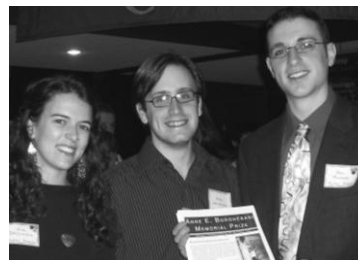
Grant Recipients

At the fundraiser this spring, donors to the Foundation were given an opportunity to meet representatives from each of the Foundation's grant recipients and view informative displays. It was a part of the evening's program that grant recipients and donors both enjoyed. The Foundation's goal is to closely partner with and provide grants to a few selected organizations whose efforts reduce violence. When reviewing grant applications, our Board looks for those organizations where we can provide seed money that assists in their program development. We work closely with these programs and meet with their directors annually or semiannually. Additionally, we bring representatives of the programs together and encourage networking among them. Members of the Foundation's Board maintain active connections with grant recipients to help in assessing the value of our contributions.



Susan Morales and Lindsay Hyde, founder of Strong Women Strong Girls

Ruby Brown and Sojourner House Executive Director Anastasia Lopopolo



Tufts Prize recipients Eva Skillicorn and Ben Roseth (on right) with friend

2005 Grants Awarded

Victim Rights Law Center – to support work providing legal services to adolescent sexual assault victims in Boston area.

Strong Women Strong Girls – to support after-school program for girls through chapter at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Sojourner House – to support the shelter's children's program and financial planning sessions for clients.

Melrose Alliance Against Violence – to support self-defense program for middle school students to enhance bullying prevention programs.

Anne E. Borghesani Memorial Prize at Lexington High School – to support incentive scholarship to an LHS graduating senior and provide a continuity prize throughout college.

Anne E. Borghesani Memorial Prize at Tufts University – to support prize that enables volunteer work or study abroad.

You are invited to suggest innovative programs committed to community building, social justice, and violence prevention that meet the Foundation objectives for grant consideration for 2006. See our website for more information: www.InAnnesSpirit.org



Special Thanks to the Event Planning Committee

Seated holding art prints for auction are Roger and Betty Borghesani with Lisa Dobberteen between. On couch (L to R) are Kristin O'Sullivan and Kate Dwyer Thompson with Julia Potter on floor –all are classmates of Anne's from Lexington High School. Standing (L to R) are Anne's brother, Phil, Rosemary Putnam, John McSorley, Grace and Ray Ciccolo, and Helen and Jack Carr. Not pictured are Mike Dundorf, Linda Borghesani, Florence and Ward Poor and Stephen Volante.



Seen Around the National Heritage Museum at the "Celebration of Hope"

In Anne's Spirit is funded by the generous donations of Anne's family and friends. We recognize that you were all touched by Anne's tragedy and support the foundation as a means of remembering Anne and working to build healthy community. As always, we are grateful for your continued financial support, faith in our mission, and hope that we can help to build healthy community and prevent violence *In Anne's Spirit*.

Donations may be sent to Anne E. Borghesani Community Foundation at 24 Hastings Road, Lexington, MA 02421