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Dear Family and Friends,

“The place to improve the world is first in one's own heart and head and hands.” Thanks to Gregg we were given the opportunity to improve the world by the scholarships that we give, and our appreciation goes out to all of you for assisting us in the process. From the time that The Gregg F. Clyne Memorial Foundation, Inc. began its first fundraising campaign in 2008, scholarship awards have been granted to six students. It takes an investment in time, passion, commitment and the generosity of many to make a dream become a reality.

Olivia Salinaro



During the month of May, The Gregg F. Clyne Memorial Foundation began its search for its 2011 scholarship award recipient. After interviewing a pool of thirteen applicants from local area high schools, the selection committee unanimously agreed upon a student that exceeded the criteria and guidelines set forth by the Board of Directors. **Gregg's spirit worked its magic again!** We are happy to report that the Foundation has granted a scholarship award to Olivia Salinaro from Cranford High School, Cranford, NJ. We are excited to have Olivia join Gregg's Foundation Scholarship Family.

Caroline Yeager, Jessica Taylor
Brittany VanSickle, Emily Williams



Our scholarship recipients keep us updated on their progress: emails and text messages as well as visits during their school breaks. Brittany VanSickle (2008) and Jessica Taylor (2008), our first award recipients, will be entering their senior year...hard to believe! Kaitlyn Williamson (2009) chose to leave UDel to continue her education at a school closer to her home and both Caroline Yeager (2010) and Emily Williams (2010) are now sophomores! All recipients have the opportunity to apply for continuing grants while attending the University of Delaware.

“The focus/mission of the Foundation is to grant assistance to young adults who need monetary aid to pursue their dreams and goals in higher education.” Fundraiser/dinner events were held on March 14, 2009 and August 14, 2010 at the Gran Centurions and each was a huge success. Over \$50,000 was raised from these events alone and the donations continued for many months following. It never ceases to amaze us when we receive an unsolicited donation in the mail...it means that someone, somewhere is thinking about Gregg and his Foundation.

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The cost of tuition continues to escalate. Students are faced with huge student loans after graduation. Parents are struggling to help their children. When our students learn that they are to receive Gregg's scholarship award, they are not only proud of their own accomplishments, but are understandably grateful for what this means for their parents.

Aside from fundraising, the Board of Directors, comprised of family and close friends, continually explores ways to honor Gregg...to keep his fighting spirit present in our lives. In March, 2010 and again in May, 2011, the Foundation sponsored a bowling event at the Garwood Lanes in Garwood, NJ called The Spirit of Gregg. The motivation for such an event is not to raise money, but to bring together family and friends for a night of fun and laughter in memory of Gregg's spirit. Pictures from this event, along with photos from the past two fundraisers can be found on the Foundation website.

It doesn't seem possible that August 3, 2011 marked five years since Gregg's passing. Many of us thought our world would stop the day he died, but instead Gregg's Foundation has given us the energy, strength and desire to make this world a better place. ***His presence is strong and his legacy lives on.***

Please see the Save the Date postcard enclosed with this letter. We hope that you will mark your calendars and plan on coming to the March 31, 2012 Foundation Fundraiser/Dinner. For those of you who could not attend our previous fundraisers, we truly hope that you will be able to join us. The raffle prizes are first-class, thanks to our many wonderful benefactors (merchants, family and friends) and the food and drinks are pretty darn good too. Yet, although these fundraisers are fun and exciting and you could very well go home with a prize or two, the emphasis is very much on the hope of raising money in order to fund scholarships to very deserving and worthy young adults.

For more information about Gregg and his Foundation (events, scholarship grants, photos, etc.) and/or if you would like to make a donation to the Foundation, please visit www.greggclynefoundation.com. We can also be reached at gfcfoundation@gmail.com. The Foundation is eternally grateful to you, our family and friends. You make it possible for us to keep the dream alive.

Thankfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Ann & George".

Mary Ann and George Clyne
And the Board of Directors
The Gregg F. Clyne Memorial Foundation, Inc.