Major Purpose Achieved

Research Grant Awarded

In keeping with one of the major purposes of the fund, applications for research grants were received in the fall and the fifth annual research awards were made this past November. This year’s Don G. Creamer Research Award recipient is Chris MacDonald. The title of his project is: Influences on the Cognitive and Socio-cultural Gains in College Seniors.

The Selection Committee included Don Creamer, Bethany Flora, and Diana Ridgwell (Chair). If you have the occasion, please congratulate Chris on his noteworthy accomplishment.

A total of $6,000 has been awarded through this Foundation, which is made possible by all of those alumni, friends, and colleagues who have contributed to the Don G. Creamer Fund for Excellence. Thanks so much for your donations and your support.

Important Update

The 75 x 75 Campaign

In July, we announced the start of the “75 x 75 Campaign.” The goal is to push the Don G. Creamer Fund to $75,000 before Don’s 75th birthday and to devote the return on the funds raised during this drive specifically to a scholarship for an entering student in the Higher Education program. As we made this announcement, six Campaign Coordinators (*) were selected to help with this important task. They are: Jan Arminio, Shippensburg State College; Laura Bayless (’01), St. Mary’s College of Maryland; Kyle Creamer, Virginia Tech; Charles Dasiens, Central Florida College; Lisa Virga MacDonald (’06), Babson College; and Dawn Watkins (’94), Washington & Lee University.

With their help, I am pleased to report that we have raised $8,000 since July and have reached 76% of our goal. We owe a special debt of gratitude to those that have given or pledged (p) $250 or more and who are now members of:

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In addition to those listed in the newly created Heritage Society, Tonya Saddler ('08), Susan Konvives, and Robert (Bob) Rodda added their names to our list of donors. The Foundation also would like to recognize and thank Joan Hirt and Rodd Hall ('09) for their continuous giving by completing automatic debt forms. Using this process allows smaller amounts to be withdrawn from a bank or credit card account on a monthly or quarterly basis. It might be easier than finding a good time to write one large check.

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