

EDUCATION

CONCORD-CARLISLE SCHOLARSHIP FUND



Lucy Miller, CCSF Chair, welcomes donors and scholars at the third annual brunch on Sunday, Jan. 6.
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Brunch celebrates benefactors, honorees

The Concord Carlisle Scholarship Fund (CCSF) held its third annual brunch on Sunday, Jan. 6, to honor generous benefactors and those individuals for whom endowed scholarships are named. More than 60 donors, honorees and scholarship recipients attended.

CCSF Chair Lucy Miller expressed the appreciation of the board to those who have established permanent Named Funds and to the many townspeople who contribute annually to allow CCSF to award need-based scholarships to Concord and Carlisle students. Founded in 1966 the CCSF has provided approximately \$2 million in more than 1,300 need-based scholarships. Since 1971 when the first Named Fund was established, the number of endowed scholarships has grown to 49.

Thirty-four of those Named Funds were represented at the brunch. Robert Hitchner, recipient of the David Prifti Memorial Scholarship, spoke about his experiences as a freshman in his combined program at Tufts and the School of the Museum of Fine Arts. "I am honored to have received this award," he said as he expressed his gratitude to everyone involved in establishing and contributing to the endowed scholarship he received. Representing the Charles A. Robichaud Scholarship, David Robichaud spoke about how his family wanted to establish his father Al's legacy when he retired

from CCHS, resulting in the establishment of a Named Scholarship in his honor. David introduced this year's Robichaud Scholar, Kara Fadden, and expressed how pleased he and his father were to have the opportunity to learn about Kara's first year of university studies in marine biology.

Travis Minor, a former CCSF scholar, who graduated from the University of Vermont with a degree in secondary education, is currently a CCSF Board Member. He spoke about how much it meant to him to be supported by his community as he pursued his college education. "What impressed me so much was that people in the community believed in me." Travis expressed appreciation to the many townspeople who annually contribute to the CCSF to assist students pursuing educational opportunities at accredited colleges, universities and technical institutions. And now, as a member of the Board of Trustees, he is giving back to the communities who supported him.

The CCSF Board of Trustees is grateful to the citizens of Concord and Carlisle who help each year to provide needed financial assistance to the Towns' young people so that they may realize their post-secondary educational dreams. For more information about the CCSF, Named Funds, and how to make a difference for graduating high school seniors, visit ccscholarshipfund.org.