
Report to Friends of the

**Concrete
Industry
Foundation**

Spring 2009



A Message from CIF's President

Dear Friends -



I am happy to report that, over the last year, the CIF has continued to make progress both in our fund raising (which is crucial to accomplishing our mission) and in our outreach to students who qualify for our scholarships. We are grateful for all contributions, no matter how small, since they reflect support for the Foundation's goals. One of our main supporters since the early days of the CIF was Lee James Principe, our former director, friend and advisor, who

through his estate has left us a most generous gift. His legacy inspires us to carry on the work that he started.

As I write, we are receiving applications for 2009 scholarships. While we have not yet reached the deadline, we already have three times as many applications as last year – a testament certainly to the financial uncertainties of our time, but also the result of now being on the internet, where students in need can more easily find us.

One of the most rewarding events of the last year was the establishment of the Antonio S. Limbardo Scholarship, voted unanimously by the Board of Directors. One of the founders of the CIF, Tony has supported the Foundation's work in every way possible, not the least of which is the time and professional acumen he has so freely supplied. We are much the better organization for his involvement.

In the following pages you will read about our recent awards and scholarships. As you do, remember that the scholarships were made possible through the generosity of friends of the Concrete Industry Foundation. All of our work is done by volunteers, so that the money contributed really does go to support the education of those who are coming up through our industry. Please continue that support.

— Jim Halpin

Save This Date – October 8, 2009

The Concrete Industry Foundation will present its 2009 scholarships and awards on Thursday, October 8th at noon at the New York Athletic Club. Please plan to join us.

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Awards and Scholarships Presented at Annual Luncheon

The Concrete Industry Foundation presented its 2008 scholarships and awards at its annual luncheon, held last year at the New York Athletic Club. The Foundation awarded scholarships to seven students, gave a grant to a union apprentice program, and honored three industry leaders who, throughout their careers, have fostered the advancement and education of young people. The scholarships, in the amount of \$2,000 each, were awarded to students from the New York metropolitan area who are studying in fields related to the design and construction of concrete facilities.

In recognition of the outstanding benefit to future generations that has resulted from their work, the Foundation presented its 2008 Humanitarian Fellow medal jointly to Dr. Charles H. Thornton and Richard L. Tomasetti. Dr. Thornton, the founder of the ACE Mentor Program, has been one of the most productive and visible proponents of

education in the design and construction industry. Mr. Tomasetti has spent much of his career giving back through teaching, lecturing and philanthropy, and chairs the newly-formed Thornton Tomasetti Foundation. They jointly founded the Thornton Tomasetti Chair in Engineering at Manhattan College.

The James Anderson Distinguished Service Award for Education, given to acknowledge exceptional service for the benefit of young members of our society, was presented this year to Joseph A. Ferrara. For the past 40 years, Mr. Ferrara has given his time, talent and treasure to the South Queens Boys & Girls Club which serves over 1,500 children, most of whom come from single parent homes. He describes the Club as “just as near and dear” as his family and his business.

Presentation of the scholarships was made possible by contributions from a broad spectrum of the design and construction industry.



Dr. Charles H. Thornton



Richard L. Tomasetti (right) with CIF Board member Tony Limbaro.



Joseph A. Ferrara

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Congratulations, 2008 Scholarship Winners



The CIF was pleased to welcome four of the 2008 scholarship recipients to the awards luncheon. From left, Dennis Lowenwirth, Anthony R. Tomaselli, Trevor William Currie, and Christina Moore.

2008 Scholarships and Grants

The Dominick & Josephine DeSimone

Scholarship to Dennis Lowenwirth, Manhattan College, pursuing a BS in Civil Engineering, May 2009. He has worked summers at Tilcon NY, and DeSimone Consulting Engineers, is a member of SEAoNY, vice president of the student chapter of ASCE, and plans to work in structural design.

The Francis J. and Lee J. Principe Scholarship in Memory of Virginia Anne Principe to

Anthony R. Tomaselli, Manhattan College, pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, May 2009. He worked part time at a land surveyor, sparking his interest in engineering, and had a summer internship at Yonkers Contracting Co. He plans to go to graduate school.

The Alfred Gerosa Scholarship to

Trevor William Currie, Stevens Institute of Technology, pursuing a Bachelor of Civil Engineering, May 2009. His studies include atomic force microscopy which he wants to apply to cement to better understand its hydration. He has worked on a co-op basis at Tishman Construction Co.

The Concrete Industry Board Scholarship to

David Berger, Cooper Union, pursuing a BE in Civil Engineering, May 2009. His path to an engineering career took him first to a degree in biology. He came to realize that structural engineering combined the need for creative solutions with his interest in the environment, including sustainable design.

The Gustav Erlemann Scholarship to

Edward J. Smith III, SUNY Buffalo, Bachelor of Civil Engineering, May 2010. His strong interest in transportation includes design of new bridges and maintenance of existing ones, with emphasis on ease of travel and conservation of natural resources.

The Raymond Heun Scholarship for Members of the Cement League to

Christina Moore, Wagner College. Ms. Moore is the first recipient of this scholarship, established in memory of an industry colleague.

The Jack W. Weber Scholarship (awarded for families of members of the Concrete Industry Board) to Jacqueline Lyons, State University of NY at New Paltz.

The Joseph DePaola Grant to the NYC District Council of Carpenters Training Program.

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Lynn Carroll (center) with her daughter Theresa Stella Lawson and CIF President Jim Halpin.

A Very Generous Gift

The Concrete Industry Foundation has once again been the recipient of a major gift from a member of the Principe family.

At the Foundation's September luncheon, Lynn Carroll announced a bequest of \$100,000 from the estate of Lee Principe who was a long-time CIF supporter, Board member and treasurer. The family's support began with the establishment in 2004 of the Francis J. and Lee J. Principe Scholarship in Memory of Virginia Anne Principe, Lee's mother. It was one of the CIF's first funded memorial scholarships.

Frank, Lee's father, funded a scholarship for industry interns through a bequest in his will, and Lee has followed with his very generous gift.

Though it is more than a year since his passing, the CIF Board continues to feel the loss of Lee's informed guidance and his genial manner. There is a special incentive for all to live up to his fine example.



At the CIF Awards Luncheon:

(left) The honorees with the luncheon's emcee Vince DeSimone (center) and CIF president Jim Halpin (far right).

(below left) Scholarship recipients with Jim Halpin and Dr. Moujalli Hourani, (second from right), advisor to the students from Manhattan College.

(below right) Jack Brunetti (right) presented the Raymond Heun Scholarship on behalf of the Cement League.



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About the Foundation

The Concrete Industry Foundation Inc. (CIF) was established in 1993 to provide financial assistance to students preparing for careers in the design and construction industry, with special emphasis on study related to concrete.

The Foundation provides scholarships and grants for study at the graduate, undergraduate, technical college and apprentice levels to residents of the New York City Metropolitan Area who are studying at accredited schools and programs in the area.

Since the first scholarship was awarded in 1996, the CIF has made 65 grants. All scholarships are funded without touching the Foundation's inviolate principal. The Founda-

tion's work is supported by contributions from the design and construction industry, in particular from those involved in the many phases of concrete design and production.

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