Alex Archie Foundation

Helping young athletes find their dreams and supporting mental health awareness and suicide prevention.

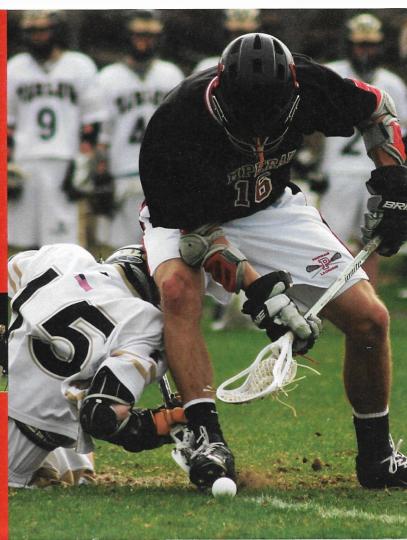
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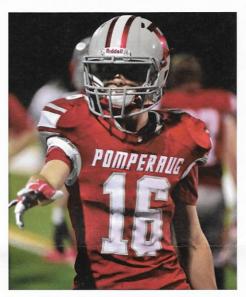


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We continue our strong relationship with the lacrosse team at The Hill School. Coach Ned Ide has let us know that he plans to use the donation to help the team travel for spring break games to DC and Delaware. Coach Ide always selects a player to wear #16 for the season as well. We look forward to reaching out to the player as soon as he is selected. We know that the Hill's #16 tradition continues at Middlebury College where Nate Ide wore #16 during his tenure and then handed the Middle-



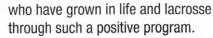
bury #16 on to Chase Midgely who also wore #16 while at The Hill. Our Pomperaug friend, Jack Rafferty (the 2017 winner of the Alex Archie Leadership award, given each year to a junior player for outstanding leadership qualities) will wear #16 this spring for Pomperaug. We were very touched to learn that he asked the football coaches if he could also wear #16 for his inaugural season this fall. As always, we thank the Pomperaug Girls' Lacrosse team for continuing the #16 legacy as well. We would like to recognize and thank again





the players of Team One Six as they represented the AAF at the Salt Shakerz Invitational tournament in New York last summer and made generous equipment donations as well. Please be sure to let us know of any other #16 stories!

We are happy to inform you that this year also marks the 10th anniversary of the Bridgeport Youth Lacrosse program. Congratulations to our friend Don Wilson and the many players and families





2008 BYLA and PYL Clinic and BBO

This past summer, The Foundation was honored to support a local high school player with payment for a lacrosse camp following sudden financial distress. This is also at the heart of our mission, so we encourage people to let us know if you are aware of a family or player or

young program in need of support.

As we have spoken of in recent newsletters, the AAF has now fully expanded its mission to include mental health awareness and suicide prevention. We are so pleased to report that the AAF partnered with the Brown University chapter of Active Minds and hosted a speaker on campus on

11/9/2017. Active Minds (activeminds.org)



Sam Archie FOG, Jamaixa

We have included a link to an article in US Lacrosse about Don and his dedication to the youth of Bridgeport. Also included is a link to Team Jamaica which will play in the Lacrosse World Championships this summer in Israel:

https://www.uslaxmagazine.com/fuels/ us-lacrosse/the-means-to-play-bridgeport... (www.jamaicalacrosse2018.org)



is a foundation based in Washington, D.C., founded by a young woman who lost her older brother to suicide in 2000. They were both college students and she has made it her mission to bring mental health awareness/suicide prevention to college campuses around the country with a new effort to reach high



Jordan Burnham Active Minds

schools and middle schools. The young man who came to Brown, Jordan Burnham, spoke to a group of almost 100 students, faculty, coaches and administrators of his suicide attempt, his battles and victories over depression and suicide. The crowd's response to Jordan was very positive. Given the fact that there was not sufficient time to respond to all the Q & A questions, we were validated in our presumption that this topic is close to so many. It is our



Pre presentation dinner ith Active Minds Board and Brown Men's lacrosse coach – Mike Daly

plan to support an annual speaker from Active Minds at Brown as well as other colleges and high schools. If you are interested in sponsoring/supporting a speaker, please designate any future donation to that end.

For your information, speaker fees range from \$2500. - \$4200., depending on travel time and distance.

As always, we are humbled by the kind and very efficient work of our current accountant, Jay Witek who provides pro bono tax work for the AAF – thank you Jay – you are truly appreciated! Thanks also to Merritt Printing, Danbury, CT for your support of this project.

The Alex Archie Foundation would not exist without the enduring support and interest of you — our many supporters over the years. Sprinkled throughout the newsletter are various pictures of AAF sponsored events from the last ten years. Dawneytoh, thank you for enabling us to do this important work and special projects. Thank you for the opportunity to remain engaged with lacrosse programs and their coaches and players. Mostly importantly, thank you for remembering Alex and supporting us, Sam and Henry in that effort.



Dawneytoh -Tom and Lisa Archie Co-Presidents





Sam, Alex, Lisa, Henry and Tom

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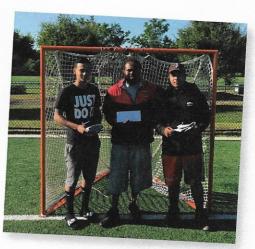


Lisa & Tom with 2017 Scholarship winners Julia Desiato and Mike Schenk

Dear Friends of the AAF:

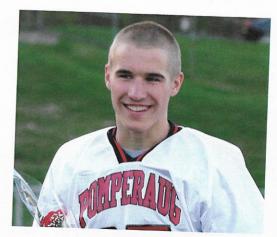
It is with bittersweet feelings that we honor this 10th anniversary of the Alex Archie Foundation. If Alex was still with us, our lives would be richer for his presence. Without him we are blessed with the richness of a Foundation that connects us to all of you, enables all of us to do good with and for many and in so doing, provides an avenue to keep Alex close while honoring his memory.

In that spirit, we are excited to share news of what has been going on with the Foundation. At our core are the annual scholarships given to male and female lacrosse players at Pomperaug High School, Southbury/Middlebury, CT (Archie kids' high school), to lacrosse players from the greater Bridgeport, CT region. and a donation to The Hill School Boys' Lacrosse team, Pottstown, PA (where Alex was attending a PG year). The 2017 AAF scholarship recipients are the following: Julia Desiato and Mike Schenk, both PHS graduates attending



Don Wilson - BYL with 2017 Scholarship Winners Christian Rosado and Elijah Agosto

UCONN and Keene State respectively, and Christian Rosado and Elijah Agosto, both from Bridgeport, attending Wheelock College and the University of Bridgeport respectively. We congratulate these student athletes who were selected by their coaches for their dedication to their academics, their lacrosse teammates and for their respect of the Creator's Game. Julia and Mike were also selected by their coaching staff to wear #16 in honor of Alex in the 2017 season.



Alex Archie 2007 **Senior Night**

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