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Dear Friends and Supporters of the AAF:

Happy New Year. We are hopeful that this newsletter finds you in good health and spirit. We apologize for the delay in getting this second installment of the AAF Newsletter to you. This past year without Alex has been profoundly challenging and some goals have been more difficult to reach than others. We truly appreciate your patience and support.

We are very pleased to be able to report on the positive activity that has occurred through the AAF in this first year. These events have taken place due only to your tremendous generosity towards our effort to keep Alex's spirit alive.

This past spring, \$1000.00 was donated to The Hill School. Head Lacrosse Coach, Ned Ide, used a portion of the award to purchase lacrosse equipment for two players who needed some financial assistance. The boys had never played prior to this and both became involved this past season. They had a great season. The balance of the award was used to cover tuition and expenses for a player to join the Hill's summer lacrosse camp.

Locally, the AAF awarded 5 scholarships to graduating lacrosse players from Pomperaug High School (PHS). Four senior girls were selected by their Head Coach, Mike Fleming: Alex Melillo, Jaimie Orrico, Kelsey Goode, and Taylor Fleming. From the Boys' team, Head Coach, Mark DePietro, awarded the scholarship to goalie Mitchell Delaney. Mitch is currently attending Western CT State University and is a member of their lacrosse team. And finally, the AAF was able to support the attendance of a Pomperaug Youth Lacrosse Player at the Navy Lacrosse Camp.

We have filed for 501 (C3) Non-Profit status. While that process does take some time, we are able to give you the AAF EIN for your tax donation purposes. The number is: 26-2646922.



AAF Girls Lacrosse Recipients



AAF Boys Recipient



The Hill School, Boys Lacrosse Team 2009



Pomperaug Youth Lacrosse – The Future

We look ahead now to June 27, 2009 as the date of the AAF Braveheart Showcase Tournament. This event will take place at the PHS Sports Complex and adjoining fields.

Thank you again for your generous contribution to this foundation whose purpose is to remember Alex Archie, his love of lacrosse and his determination to take his game to the next level. We honor him by helping other young student athletes to pursue their dreams.

Very Sincerely,

The Archies and the AAF Board Members