

Brookline Education Foundation Collaborative Grants 2008-2009

TITLE OF GRANT	AWARD RECIPIENT(S)	SCHOOL(S)
Earth Science by Design:	Janet MacNeil, Deb Allen, Mark Goldner,	Devotion, Heath, Lawrence, Lincoln
Building Science Professional Development Capacity	Maxine Hunter, Ryan Keser, Sue Zobel	Runkle, Systemwide
Early Education Institute	Vicki Milstein and 25 pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and primary grade educators	Systemwide
Creating a Learning Community in the Brookline-Lesley Internship Program	Barbara Govendo, Kerrilyn McCarthy, Helen Greeley, Julie Spector, Anna MacIver, Jed Miller, Annemarie Marcus, Jim Henry, Holly Irvin, Marsha Shapiro, Danielle Pafundi	BHS, Heath, Lawrence, Pierce, Runkle
Year 2: Social Competency Program	Emily Gaberman, Danielle Halwick, 16 additional Runkle educators	Runkle
Smooth Mathematical Transitions	Danielle Rabina, Craig Friedland, Lisa Redding, Meghan Kennedy-Justice, Shoshana Kostant, Ziv Feldman, Josh Paris, Mark Veader	BHS
Adult Learning Groups at Devotion School	Gina Stefanini, Cathy Fischer-Mueller, Gerardo Martinez, Barbara Schiele, Carolyn Miller, Shelli Morgenstern, David Youkilis, Kim Barnum, Lauren Carroll, Jennifer Maylone, Kristie Fox, Nicole Zagami, Gene Thompson-Grove	Devotion
Quality Community Service Learning Programming, Grades 3-8	Melissa London, Bob Miller, Sarah Pangburn, Ken Haynes, Chris Smith, Jamie Lyons, Reed Rathgeber, Ginny Carroll, Jennifer Fairbanks, Vanessa Ouellette	Heath, Pierce
Literacy Skill Development for History and the Social Sciences	Kathleen Boynton, Gary Shiffman, Jennifer Blair, Joanne Burke Hunter, Malcolm Cawthorne, Sam Dickerman, Jennifer Frey, Rich Goldberg, Roger Grande, Robert Grant, Daniel Green, Jennifer Hanaghan, Kathryn Leslie, Jennifer Martin, Stephanie McAllister, Michael Normant, Brian Poon, Marcie Simon, Burt Skvirsky, Jessica Wender-Shubow, Mark Wheeler, Andrew Kelly, Jonathan D'Amico, Shelley Stevens, Ellen Lewis, Gene Thompson-Grove	BHS
Year Two: Pipeline to Success: The Pierce Mentoring Project	Carol Sepkoski, Gayle Van Hatten, Nancy Springer, and 19 other Pierce School Educators	Pierce
Heath Equity Team Summer Retreat	Milly Katzman, Sally Dean, Maggie Beneke, Andrew Cook, Margaret Credle-Thomas, Natalie Dean, Eleanor Demont, Jennifer Fairbanks, Bob Miller, Sarah Pangburn, Marsha Shapiro, Gene Thompson-Grove	Heath

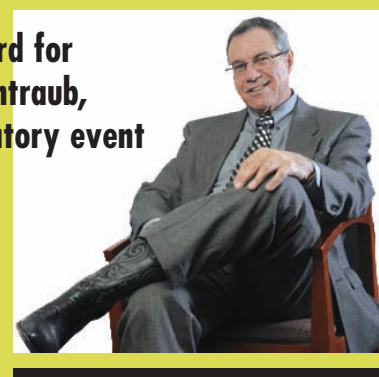
The Brookline Education Foundation's Robert I. Sperber Award for Administrative Leadership was presented to Dr. Robert Weintraub, Headmaster of Brookline High School, on May 4 at a celebratory event attended by over 350 "Bob fans."



Brookline High School's a cappella group, Testostones, serenaded Dr. Weintraub with U2's "Beautiful Day" and Billy Joel's "It's Still Rock and Roll to Me."



BEF Executive Director Skye Kramer presents a Resolution from the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Dr. Weintraub.



Dr. Robert I. Sperber, Superintendent of Brookline Schools from 1964 to 1982, presented the prestigious award to Dr. Weintraub.



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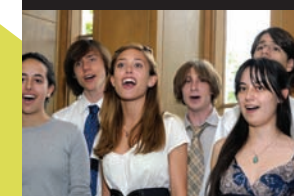
2008 Caverly Award Recipient: Alicia Hsu

Lawrence School
Alicia Hsu was awarded the Ernest R. Caverly Award for Excellence in Teaching at this year's Celebrating Teachers event. Hsu began her teaching career as a Chinese bilingual instructor at Devotion School. In the words of her colleagues at Lawrence, where Hsu moved to become a classroom teacher in 1986, "The high achievement and welfare of her students drives everything she does..." A master of differentiated instruction, Hsu also is committed to helping educate the next generation of teachers, welcoming an intern or student teacher into her classroom each year.

In accepting the award, Hsu expressed gratitude that she has been able to experience life "within the sweeping circle of Brookline Public Schools" as a teacher, parent, and "a member of a community of people...who believe in what this town can accomplish and work hard to make it possible."



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2008 Caverly Award Recipient: Ellen Lewis

Ellen Lewis, who has taught English at Brookline High School for 31 years and is a celebrated BHS volleyball coach, is a 2008 recipient of the Ernest R. Caverly Award for Excellence in Teaching. Lewis, who came to teaching through her experience as a literacy coach to disadvantaged children, is renowned for extending herself in countless ways to students, colleagues, and the high school. She has served regularly on BHS committees, worked tirelessly on new curriculum, and, in a colleague's words, "acted as official and unofficial mentor to more new teachers than anyone else."

Lewis's early experience as a literacy coach and her years of working in the athletics program have convinced her that, "No degree of success outside the classroom can compete with the feelings of self-esteem that come from being a confident reader, a successful student in charge of your own ability to learn."



For the complete text of Alicia Hsu's and Ellen Lewis' acceptance speeches, please go to www.brooklinefoundation.org/awards/caverly_award.html



Ken Maloney, a member of the BEF Board since 2005, was elected President of the Board at the Annual Meeting in May.

New Officers and Board Members Elected

The following new officers and board members were elected at the Foundation's recent Annual Meeting:

- Ken Maloney – *President*
- Mary Lynn Pergantis – *Vice President*
- Jenny Morrison – *Vice President*
- David Kirshner – *Treasurer*
- Benna Kushlefsky – *Secretary*

New Boardmembers:

Linda Carlisle is a Runkle School parent with two sons in kindergarten and 5th grade.

Lisa Cummings has twin girls in the 2nd grade and Baker School and a daughter in BEEP.

Carol Daddazio is a former Heath School teacher and math specialist in the Brookline Public Schools.

Betsy Fitzpatrick is a Lincoln School parent with sons in 7th and 8th grades.

Nathan Gilliland has a 1st grader at Baker School and a toddler.

Courtney Goldthwait is a Heath School parent with children in 1st, 3rd, and 5th grades.

Joanne Lioutaud has two children who attend Lawrence School.

Janet Lim is a Baker School parent with sons in BEEP, 2nd, and 5th grade.

Nancy Pronovost has three children who attend Driscoll School.

Cilley Fund Supports Innovative Approach to Teaching Science

The Andrea Cilley Environmental Education Fund will enable Janet MacNeil (Elementary Science Curriculum Coordinator) and six middle school science teachers to complete a program on the application of Understanding by Design principles to Earth Science instruction. Participants subsequently will help train other Brookline teachers in this innovative approach to science education. The Cilley Fund honors the memory of Runkle School parent Andrea Cilley, who was passionate about environmentalism and protecting the natural world.



This spring, the Todd Saker Fund co-sponsored a visit to all Brookline elementary schools by Mitali Bose Perkins, a prolific author of fiction that focuses on the lives of young people born or raised in a culture other than that of their parents.

Foundation Announces Gift to Schools

The Brookline Education Foundation has announced the presentation of a gift to each Brookline school in honor of the Foundation's 25th anniversary. Each elementary school will receive microscopes and related equipment for their second grade classrooms. In addition, Brookline High School will receive a groundwater simulator, which will provide visualization and hands-on experience of complex groundwater principles, to be used in Chemistry, Environmental Science, Science Seminar, and Physics classes.



First- and second-place in the 2008 Fifth Grade Spelling Bee went to two Pierce School students, Juliana Kaplan (right) and Korey Caron.



Breakfast at Ten team members Selina Chow, Leah Greenwald, and Marie Hoguet won this year's Adult Bee.



Heath and Driscoll School educators Jen Doubilet, Amy Neale, Jen Thompson, and Marcy Prager, recipients of the first annual Charlie Baker Legacy Award, will explore first-hand the influence of high desert geography on Native American Hopi life to inform their teaching of the second grade Social Studies Hopi unit.



Sharon Kiernan, 2008 Adam Russell Gelfand Award recipient, will study building design in Barcelona, Spain, to enrich her teaching of the third grade structures unit at Lawrence School.

And the Winners Are...



Congratulations to the winners in our 2008 "Win a Mini" Raffle. First prize went to Theta Biomedical Consulting & Development Co. Inc., which chose to take the cash prize of \$12,000 in lieu of a 2008 Mini Cooper. Elisha Daniel took second prize, an Apple iPhone. The third prize, an Apple iPod Nano, went to Susan Dolphin, and Harry Margolis won the fourth prize, an Apple iPod Shuffle.

Once again this year, all 600 raffle tickets were sold. Proceeds from the raffle support the Foundation's teacher, collaborative, and systemwide grants programs.

Brookline Education Foundation Teacher Grants 2008-2009

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Primary Source Study Tour to Vietnam and Cambodia	Kathleen M. Boynton	BHS
Wilson Reading Program Certification	Kerrilyn McCarthy, Annemarie Marcus	Pierce
Fluid Power Yoga Teacher Training	Liz Gorman	BHS
Washington School for the Deaf Sign Language Program	Allison Mann	BHS
Responsive Classroom Workshop	Maggie Nichols, Barbara Donnelly, Libby Donovan, Suzanne Howard	Lincoln
The Hopi Culture, Defined in Part by its Geography	Marcy Prager, Jen Doubilet, Jen Thompson, Amy E. Neale	Driscoll, Heath
Moving toward a More Cohesive Model for Least Restrictive Environment in Special Education	Darcie Kauffman, Kristin Brown	Baker
Linguistic and Cultural Enrichment in Latin America	Kristina Tobey	BHS
Exploring Hopi Culture through the Arts	Marcie Bienen	Runkle
Sing, Dance, Drum, Talk	Kenny Kozol	BHS
Spanish and Latin American Cinema and Television in Granada, Spain	Barry David	BHS
Stretching Our Teaching: A Yoga Retreat for Teachers of Literature, Transcendentalism, and Identity Theory	Karin Harris, Keira Flynn-Carson	BHS
Architectural Tour of Barcelona, Spain	Sharon Kiernan	Lawrence

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