

OLA Alumni & Student Accomplishments

OLA Alumna **Terri Gabriel** is now living in New York City where she has co-founded two non profit organizations and is currently an early childhood music educator. In 2003, she co-founded CollaborationTown, a theatre company dedicated to creating ensemble driven, original plays many of which have won numerous awards in and around NYC. Founded by Alumni of Boston University, CTown is being featured in the next edition of Bostonia. In 2006, Terri began working for Music Together, an internationally recognized early childhood music and movement program for which she teaches about 12 classes a week and is Director of Program Development. In 2009, she co-founded ArtStrides, a non profit organization whose mission is to provide arts based education programs like Music Together to families who otherwise wouldn't have access to them. In September of 2011 ArtStrides will provide Music Together to PS 536, the first NYC public school to participate in this program.

OLA Alumnus **Scott Dixon** received the Brother Linus Scholarship Award, which is presented each year to a member of the freshman class, who in the eyes of his teachers, is a model of academic achievement and involvement in school activities. The award is given in memory of Brother Linus, CFX, who served as a legendary teacher, counselor, golf coach, hockey coach and freshman football coach until his death in 1977.

OLA Alumnus **Tom Gould**, owner of Treadwell's Ice Cream in Peabody, has been recognized in the June 17 edition of the Salem News for his contributions to cancer patients. Mr. Gould has been providing free ice cream sundaes to Mass General/North Shore Cancer Center patients during a dedicated "Ice Cream Day" every month for the past ten years. Mr. Gould gives out about 150 sundaes per visit and estimates he's given away more than 18,000 sundaes to patients, family and staff over the last 10 years. For his efforts, the Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center honored Tom Gould this year by naming him one of 100 people and organizations who have stood out in the fight against cancer. Thank you, Tom Gould, for your tremendous support!

OLA Alumnus **Vinny Mitchell Jr.** just coordinated the 3rd Annual Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) Expo at UMASS Medical School on April 21, 2011. The Expo provided numerous CAM interventions such as herbal, massage and acupuncture practices as effective complements to conventional medicine. World renown Dr. David Eisenberg of Harvard Medical School presented the results of several of his CAM studies and shared the most informative aspects of health and life-changing advice. Vinny was also recognized by UMASS Medical School faculty and Dr. Eisenberg, himself, for his accomplishments in bringing CAM to the forefront. As a third year medical student, he is already instrumental in affecting people's lives, most positively.

Malden Catholic High School has recognized the following incoming OLA students who have been selected to participate in their St. Francis Scholars Program or have received a Leadership Scholarship:

St. Francis Xavier Scholar - **Matthew Derby**

Brother Plunkett Scholarship - **Christopher Della Piana**

Plus Ultra Scholarship - **Christian Crow and Joseph O'Brien**

OLA Alumna **Molly Malinowski** has achieved High Honors as a First Quarter Honor Roll Student at Mount St. Joseph Academy.

OLA Alumnus **Ryan O'Boyle** has achieved Academic Honors at Central Catholic High School during the second academic quarter of this school year.

OLA Alumnus **Johnathan Cheever**, now 24, is a member of the US Snowboarding team and has won the U.S. Snowboarding title in Park City, Utah on February 12, 2011. He finished second in the World Cup race Friday, March 18 in Valmalenco, Italy. In the final two events in Arosa, Switzerland, his performances placed him third in the World Cup standings for the 2010 - 2011 season. He is training for and considered to be a top contender for the 2014 Olympics.

OLA Alumnus **Michael Gallant** was recently featured on CNNMoney presenting him as one of the partners of

Dinner in the Sky Events, an exciting idea where 22 guests get strapped into plush leather seats via an aircraft-grade harness; once they're strapped in to their seats and positioned around the table, the entire table and 22 diners get attached to a crane. The crane then elevates the table and diners upwards of 180 feet. Once you are at the 180-foot point, you can enjoy five-star dining and a spectacular view.