



Elizabeth Nash Foundation

DEDICATED TO IMPROVING THE LIVES OF THOSE AFFECTED BY CYSTIC FIBROSIS

2008 ANNUAL REPORT

The Elizabeth Nash Foundation (ENF) was established to honor and perpetuate Liz's lifelong example of giving and to continue her fight against Cystic Fibrosis. The Foundation is a 501(c)3 donor supported, non-profit organization with 100% of donations going to ENF programs. Donations are tax deductible in accordance with IRS regulations.

Through your generous support in 2008, we were once again able to grow ENF's impact. Thank you! Current economic conditions make 2009 a difficult financial year for everyone. We are committed to maintain the Foundation's current level of programs. Your support this year is critical to meeting that goal and will be very much appreciated.

The Foundation's work is focused in two areas:

- **CF Research** – ENF supports CF research through collaborations with Children's Hospital Oakland Research Institute (CHORI) and Cystic Fibrosis Research, Inc (CFRI).
- **Education Support** – The ENF Scholarship Program grants annual scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students with Cystic Fibrosis. Recipients are selected based on a combination of merit and need.

CF RESEARCH

Children's Hospital Oakland Research Institute (CHORI) The Foundation funded two CF summer research awards in 2008. The ENF-CHORI partnership identifies and grooms promising young researchers (high school seniors and undergraduates) by pairing them with noted CHORI scientists to conduct CF research. The first two award recipients are co-authors on published articles related to their summer projects. The program is funded by ENF and operated by CHORI.

I want to thank ENF for offering me the incredible opportunity to continue to pursue my research in the Dr. Fischer-Dr. Illek Lung Biology and Pathology Lab this past summer through the CHORI Summer Student Cystic Fibrosis Research Award. I am taking this professional experience back to my academic study at Yale. I hope to continue to contribute to the CF community as I pursue my undergraduate study and career in public health and medicine.

- Tara, ENF-CHORI summer researcher

Cystic Fibrosis Research, Inc. (CFRI)

In 2008 ENF increased its support for the Elizabeth Nash Memorial Fellowship Program established and primarily funded by CFRI, an independent 501(c)3, to honor Liz for her work as a CF researcher and chair of the CFRI research advisory committee. The program funds four post doctoral research fellows for a period of two years as they pursue breakthroughs in understanding the mechanism of CF disease and finding a cure. This program has resulted in publication of more than 20 research articles in highly regarded scientific journals. You may designate the full amount of your contribution to ENF for the Memorial Fellowship.

EDUCATION SUPPORT

The Foundation granted twelve college scholarships to individuals with CF in 2008. Thanks to your continued support the Foundation has been able to increase the number of scholarships each year bringing the total number of awards made to 35 since inception. The financial burden on individuals with CF who pursue university studies can be overwhelming. ENF is committed to help meet this need and will continue to give financial help to as many outstanding CF students as possible.

I am honored to be a recipient of the Elizabeth Nash Foundation Scholarship. This scholarship will ease the financial burden of my education coupled with medical expenses. I am very excited to be attending my first choice college.

- Andrew, ENF scholarship recipient

Sponsor a Scholar

Consider naming an ENF Scholarship in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion. For further information contact:

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OUR MISSION

CF is not only a physical burden, but also a heavy financial burden for individuals and their families. The Foundation is dedicated to alleviating the many adverse consequences borne by those affected. We strive to improve their quality of life through research and support. This is our continuation of Liz's fight against CF.

SPECIAL THANKS

To Nancy & Joel Beaudin for organizing the 3rd annual Dine-In fundraiser for ENF. Once again the community of North Creek, NY made it a sell out!

To Kevin McDermott for enlisting the corporate support of Merchants Warehouse and its employees.

To Matt Beebe of Beebe & Gabriels Financial Services, Clifton Park, NY and Bob Woodcock of AXA Advisors for once again underwriting a wonderful day at the Saratoga Race Track to raise funds for the Foundation.

To The Barton Group of North Creek and Glens Falls, NY for their continuing generous support.

To Chris Cavanaugh and Pat Rowan for hosting another very successful "Cocktails for a Cause" party.

To Elissa McMillan Aten and the Queensbury Class of '88 for remembering Liz at their 20th reunion with a generous donation to the Foundation.

Ways to CONTRIBUTE TO ENF

The Elizabeth Nash Foundation relies entirely on donor support to provide programs that improve the lives of individuals affected by CF. The Foundation is operated by a family Board who serve without compensation and absorb all administrative costs. Your donation goes 100% to ENF programs.

Make a Donation

- Donations can be made via check to the Elizabeth Nash Foundation at the address below or online via PayPal at:

<http://elizabethnashfoundation.org/donate.html>

- Make your donation go farther. Have it matched by your employer.

Host a Dine-In Fundraiser

The Dine-In program is the Foundation's primary fundraising effort. The format is flexible. Organizers volunteer to host an event (usually cocktails or dinner) and ask invited guests to make a contribution to the Foundation. The host's expenses for the event are tax deductible and the Foundation can assist with invitations and support materials if you wish. Please contact Ann/Jim Nash via phone at cell 518-210-5844 or by email at:

dinein@elizabethnashfoundation.org

Remember ENF in Your Will

A will or estate plan can ensure that the support you have so generously given to ENF will continue. Please consider naming the Elizabeth Nash Foundation in your will or estate plan.

All contributions to ENF are tax deductible in accordance with IRS regulations.

COMMUNICATIONS

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ABOUT LIZ NASH

Liz was born in 1970 when the average lifespan of a child with CF was in the mid teens. She believed we all have a responsibility to do whatever we can to make the world a better place. Liz defined herself by what she could do, not what limited her. She earned a Ph.D. in genetics and worked as a CF researcher at Johns Hopkins University and The University of California San Francisco. Despite a rigorous health maintenance routine, she made time to volunteer as chair of the Cystic Fibrosis Research Inc. (CFRI) research advisory committee and as a mentor to adolescents with CF. Liz pursued all of her interests - Monet, music, the Utah Jazz, and alpine skiing - with passion and lived her shortened life of 33 years largely beyond the expected bounds of her disease. Her generous spirit, positive perspective, and fight to beat CF are the inspiration for our efforts.

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