

Power of 10 Honors Diane Patrick, Celebrates Boston's Growing Posse Alumni Community

On October 4, 2010, more than 250 guests gathered for Posse Boston's second annual Power of 10 event. At this unique reception, we celebrated Posse's growing Alumni community and honored First Lady of Massachusetts Diane B. Patrick.

Local Posse Alumni—diverse young professionals who are Boston's future leaders—hosted Posse supporters and new friends at the InterContinental Boston. Together, Alumni and staff paid tribute to the Boston Alumni community, formally welcomed the 2010 Posse Boston college graduates into this vibrant Alumni Network, and honored Diane Patrick for her deep commitment to The Posse Foundation and her leadership and dedication to educational opportunity.

Diane is a champion of Posse Boston and a member of the Posse National Board of Directors. During the evening's program, she spoke powerfully about her belief in Posse's mission and the young leaders we serve. "When we continue to grow the ranks of Posse Alumni, I know that we are in good hands for the coming generations," said Diane.

Old Mutual Asset Management provided vital support to the Posse Program as lead sponsor of the Power of 10. At the event, Linda Gibson, Old



(from left) Chon'tel Washintgon, Hamilton Posse 4 Alumna; Sara Hessasta, Hamilton Posse 4 Alumna; Diane Patrick, First Lady of Massachusetts; Jessie Yip, Hamilton Posse 1 Alumna; and Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick.

Mutual's interim president and CEO, spoke about the company's commitment to Posse and the impact of Posse interns and the Alumnus on staff there.

Posse Boston also presented its annual Alumni Awards. The 2010 winner of the Community Investment Award was Boston Alumna Jackney Prioly, Bryn Mawr Posse 2. Jackney has demonstrated leadership and service to our community, first in the office of Boston's mayor and now as director of external relations for Boston City Councilwoman Ayanna Pressley.

Jackney also leads one of Posse Boston's Alumni committees, which is focused on providing fellow Alumni with professional development opportunities.

The Commitment to Posse Award was presented to Posse New York Alumnus Ramón De Jesus, Brandeis Posse 7, for his dedication to the growth and success of Posse and its local Alumni Network, and for serving Scholars in college as lead of Posse Boston's Scholar Relations Alumni committee.

The 2010 Power of 10 raised more

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Linda Gibson, interim president and chief executive officer of Old Mutual Asset Management, lead sponsor of the Power of 10.



(from left) Posse Boston 2010 Centre College graduates Harry Gerard and Esther Desorna; and Colby Posse 2 Alumna Susie Liu.



Power of 10 guests Jean Hunt (left) and James Hunt (right) with Posse Boston's Community Investment Award winner Jackney Prioly, Bryn Mawr Posse 2 Alumna (center).

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than \$140,000 for the Posse Boston program, and we are very grateful to Old Mutual Asset Management for being the

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lead sponsor of this hallmark event.

We also wish to thank our Power of 10 captains who introduced Posse to many new people and helped make the event such a success. Finally, we thank our Alumni event hosts, who made sure the night was filled with electric Posse energy. “Power of 10 was a great event that gave me an opportunity to see just how far the Posse community extends,” says Augusta Irele, a 2010 graduate of Bryn Mawr College.✻



David (left) and Samantha Adams (right), Power of 10 captains with their guest, Amy Burkart (center).



(from left) Patricia Arnold, Posse Foundation life director, and Power of 10 guest Michael Gaffin.



(from left) Event guests Michael Douvadjian, Charles Desmond and Lynne Douvadjian.



(from left) Jennifer Rusk, Bryn Mawr Posse 1 Alumna and Power of 10 captain; Jackie DaSilva, Bryn Mawr Posse 1 Alumna.



Posse Boston national Alumni representatives Ngoc Dang Tran (far left) and Chris Knight (far right) with Jackney Prioly, Community Investment Award winner, and Ramon De Jesus, Commitment to Posse Award winner (center).



(from left) New graduates and members of Denison Posse 2, Jessica Blaise, Wagner Soto and Genie Charles.

Posse Boston wishes to acknowledge the Power of 10 captains and Alumni hosts who made the event a success:

Power of 10 Captains:

Samantha and David Adams, Lawson and Clint Allen, Pamela and Jesse Baker, Timothy E. Codrington, Chris S. Crawford, Lorn C. Davis, Stephen Denny, John Donohue, Jamie Hoyte, Alec Macmillan, Eliza Edel McClelland, Joseph Paresky, Christine L. and Paul T. Quistberg, Carol and Steve Rosner, Jennifer Rusk (Posse Alumna), Catherine A. Saunders and Paul J. Selian

Power of 10 Alumni Hosts:

Beza Ayalew, Tamrah Collins, Ramon De Jesus, Dalvin Sergio Estrada, Anna George, Yarimee Gutierrez, Sara Hessasta, Chris Knight, Jackney Prioly, Ngoc Dang Tran and Chon'tel Washington

The Posse Foundation thanks 2010 Power of 10 lead sponsor Old Mutual Asset Management for its generous support of our program. Old Mutual is a true partner in our efforts, providing vital funding and making exciting internship opportunities available to our Scholars.



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Scholars and Alumni Take On Workforce

This past summer, hundreds of Posse Scholars across the nation secured exciting summer internships at leading firms and organizations through the Posse Career Program. These internships provide our Scholars with opportunities to connect with influential figures and explore potential career paths in a wide variety of fields.

Here are profiles of a few of the many Boston Scholars and Alumni who gained invaluable experience through their internships, while making important contributions to the companies and organizations where they worked.

Genesis Giraldo, Denison Posse 4 Scholar

Through the Career Program, Genesis worked as a corporate diversity intern for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts this past summer and assisted in a number of research projects focused on expanding the diversity within the company.

Now a junior, Genesis welcomes prospective students as a Denison University tour guide. This fall, in preparation for her semester abroad in London, she finished up her term as vice president of La Fuerza Latina, an organization that promotes Latino awareness on campus, and as senator of Denison's student government.



Boyu Zhang,
Bucknell College Posse 3.
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Genesis Giraldo,
Denison University Posse 4.
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Daniel Theodate,
Hamilton College Posse 4 Alumnus.
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Boyu Zhang, Bucknell Posse 3 Scholar

Boyu began his sophomore year at Bucknell this past fall after spending a summer in Poland teaching English through Career partner WorldTeach. As a student teacher, Boyu planned and executed his own curriculum and taught students ranging in grades from kindergarten to high school.

After a successful freshman year, during which Boyu joined a number of

student organizations and was elected secretary/treasurer of Bucknell's student government association, he has declared a major in mechanical engineering in Bucknell's top-ranked College of Engineering.

Daniel Theodate, Hamilton Posse 4 Alumnus

Through their rewarding summer internships, many Scholars transition into full-time positions with Posse Career Program partners after graduation from college.

As a rising junior, Daniel Theodate secured a summer internship as an assistant associate accountant at Plymouth Rock Assurance Corporation, a Career Program partner. His experience helped him discover his passion for finance and economics. As a result of his internship, Daniel was offered a full-time position as an associate accountant at Plymouth Rock, where he is now a tax accountant.

Daniel is also a dedicated member of Posse Boston's vibrant Alumni community. He serves on Posse's Alumni Social Committee, helping to provide Alumni with opportunities to get together and give back to Posse. Daniel is also one of our Posse volunteer champions, offering his assistance with Posse programs and serving as a resource to our Scholars and their families.*

Posse Boston Advisory Board Welcomes New Leader

The Posse Foundation is thrilled to welcome Paul Selian as the chair of the Posse Boston Advisory Board. Paul is an executive vice president and chief investment officer for State Street Corporation's proprietary investment portfolio, overseeing a team of professionals in the United States, Europe and Australia.

Advisory Board members are vital to Posse Boston's success. The board helps us to deliver a powerful program, build partnerships in the community and raise funds to support our innovative work. As chair, Paul is now also a member of The Posse Foundation's National Board of Directors.

Before joining the board, Paul played a critical role in developing State Street's partnership with Posse. In addition to



Paul Selian, State Street Corporation executive vice president and chief investment officer.
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being a generous funder, State Street hosts Posse events and is a Career Program partner, providing Scholars with meaningful summer internships and hiring Posse Alumni into full-time positions.

"At State Street, I have seen firsthand the talent and drive of Posse Scholars and Alumni on staff. It is because of these outstanding young leaders that I joined

the Posse Boston Advisory Board," says Paul. "As chair, I am honored to lead a dedicated team of Posse champions; together we will continue to ensure that more of our community's young people have the opportunities they deserve."

Paul's deep commitment to Scholars and Alumni is inspiring. For example, he hired and helped mentor Sharhea Wade, Bryn Mawr Posse 6, when she interned with Paul's team during the last two summers. Now a Posse Alumna, Sharhea is a full-time junior credit analyst in Paul's division at State Street.

"Posse Boston's Advisory Board members serve as our strongest advocates," says Lamont Gordon, Posse Boston director. "And as we continue to grow, we are incredibly excited to have Paul in a critical leadership role.*"

Career Events Connect Tomorrow's Leaders to Today's

This past summer, Posse Boston served scores of Scholars and Alumni with a series of career-focused events facilitated by our Career Program partners. The sessions helped these students and young professionals to build career skills and to connect with local leaders.

As part of its Mentor Series, Posse Boston hosted John Fish, CEO of Suffolk Construction Company, Inc., a Posse Career Program partner. John is a giant in Boston's business and philanthropic communities. During the session, he spoke to a packed room of Scholars and Alumni about his personal and professional perseverance and his commitment to developing the next generation of leaders. John closed the session by empowering

JOHN FISH ASKED, "WHAT WOULD YOU ATTEMPT TO DO IF YOU KNEW YOU COULD NOT FAIL?"

Scholars and Alumni with a mantra that now drives his foundation's philosophy, "What would you attempt to do if you knew you could not fail?" He encouraged these young leaders to believe in themselves, never give up on their dreams, and to be fearless in setting goals and



Posse Scholars and Alumni with John Fish, CEO of Suffolk Construction Company, Inc., a Posse Career Program partner.

working hard to achieve them.

"When I heard Mr. Fish speak, I was truly inspired," says Hector Acevedo, Hamilton Posse 4 Alumnus. "He embodies all the characteristics of a strong and effective leader who believes in giving back and mentoring the younger generation, and that is someone who I aspire to be."

The Posse Mentor Series was just one of the many Career Program events offered this summer. Scholars and Alumni interested in the legal field took advantage of a reception hosted by Career partner Goodwin Procter LLP, and Reebok International Ltd. hosted a career

exploration workshop called Outside of the Shoe Box. Posse Boston concluded the summer with its Annual Internship Celebration hosted by Career partner Putnam Investments to celebrate the accomplishments of all of our Scholars and the local companies and organizations that hosted them as interns this past summer.

One of the primary goals of The Posse Foundation is to train the leaders of tomorrow. Through the Career Program, Posse connects our nation's future leaders to the leaders of today. We sincerely thank our Career Program partners for their dedication to the success of Posse and the outstanding young people we serve.*

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