

THE WILLOW CANYON FOUNDATION UPDATE

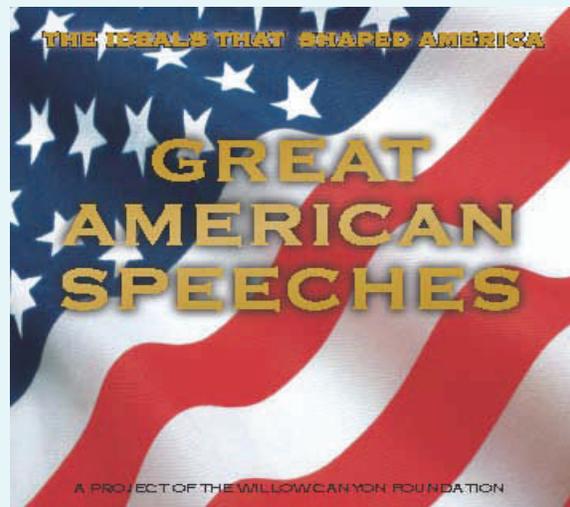
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Great American Speeches Will Educate and Enlighten!

After much hard work and anticipation we are excited to announce the release of our first educational publication: Great American Speeches! The two disc set contains some of the most influential and powerful speeches that have shaped our nation and helped us become the society we are today. One of our main goals is to promote the study, discussion and understanding of the philosophies on which our country is based. Not only is this CD educational and engaging, but 100% of the profits from the sale will go toward our charitable projects.

The making of this CD has been a great learning process for us. Besides getting a crash course in the recording industry we became more familiar with the speeches themselves and it has been a real eye-opener; these philosophies are sometimes lost in the daily swirling of politics. Listening to these speeches will get you thinking and will spur discussion with your family and friends.

In making this collection of speeches special consideration was given to quality of the production. Each speech is introduced with a little background information so that listeners get a better understanding of what they are about to hear. Each speech is read in character by professional and passionate voice artists. While listening, you'll feel like you're traveling back in time to hear the speech as it is delivered.



The CD format is accessible to people of all ages and abilities. This would make a great gift for family or clients this holiday season. We would be happy to arrange a discount for bulk orders, or work with you to mail them out. Also, if you are looking for a fundraiser for your civic or charitable group, we can tailor a program to help you raise money by selling this thought-provoking CD. We know you will enjoy this CD set and can't wait for you to hear it!

*You can order copies through our website at www.willowcanyon.org
Or simply call us: (801)601-2232*

Announcing the Freedom Scholarship!

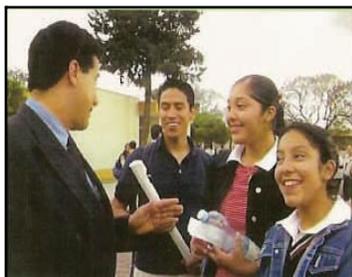
We are excited to be offering a series of scholarships to Utah high school seniors ranging in size from \$250 to \$1000. The awards will be given to the winners of our essay contest which is based on our first publication, *Great American Speeches*. To enter, students will need to write an essay on the speech of their choice from the CD.

We believe that an understanding of our nation's principals and ethics is necessary to secure a free and just society for the future. It is our hope that this scholarship program will promote the study, discussion and understanding of our country's founding principals. Essays will be judged by our scholarship board, but not solely on writing abilities. We are looking for comprehension, understanding and genuine thought about these philosophies.

Even if you aren't participating in the contest, we hope that you will give the ideas as much thought. You can even use our suggested questions to discuss the speeches with your family and friends. For more information on the scholarship program, suggested questions to address, or to apply please visit our website at: www.willowcanyon.org

Foundation Escalera is Making Strides in Mexico

Foundation Escalera provides scholarships to impoverished youth in Mexico and is one of our strategic partners. The children they help get the opportunity to attend Benemerito de las Americas, one of the best private high schools in the country. We believe that education is the most effective way to improve a society, a belief that is shared by Foundation Escalera.



We are currently providing approximately 25 % of their scholarships. Additionally, one of our trustees and his wife will be traveling to Mexico City this winter to help in the construction of a new school. A high school education is considered a privilege in Mexico and opens the door to great opportunities for these students. Please contact us if you would like to help us send another child to school.

Braille Literacy Program Continues to Grow

Louise Johnson, a retired teacher for the blind, has been working diligently to get Braille texts into the hands of blind students. She and her associate Nora are currently building on their leveled reading library for elementary age children. Louise recently let us know that they have really appreciated the Braille printer that we acquired for them and that it is helping them in their work. To date they have prepared about 50 titles which the students are enjoying while they practice their Braille reading.

Have you visited our new website yet?

We launched our new website this spring and getting great feedback. It is simple to navigate and easy on the eyes. Many thanks to JC Carter for his help to get it running smoothly and looking great! Take a look for yourself and let us know what you think. www.willowcanyon.org

Good News from the House of Hope



This past spring we provided three scholarships for treatment at the House of Hope. The women who received these scholarships were eager to finish their treatment and create lives for themselves and their families that are healthy, happy and productive.

One of the women we helped came to House of Hope to deal with her substance abuse as well as her overwhelming grief of losing a child. She worked diligently towards her goal of becoming the sober, healthy mother she once was. Today she lives in her own home with her two children, and is working full time. She has been sober for over a year now and is playing a positive role in her children's lives.

Another woman we were able to help has now graduated from House of Hope's residential treatment program. She has her own apartment and has regained custody of her twin sons who are continuing their treatment at the Children's Center. She is attending college and working the goal of establishing a career for herself.

We have recently arranged for three more scholarships for treatment with the House of Hope. We love hearing these stories of success and are looking forward to more in the near future. If you would like to help a woman who is dealing with addiction and/or abuse please contact us.

Provo House of Hope is Expanding



The House of Hope is currently building a new wing on their Provo location to better serve their patients. We were able to help get this project started in 2006 when our then fundraiser, Mechelle Adamson found an architect to donate his services. Architect Mike Decarlo has generously donated all his work on the project from planning to permitting.

Their contractor, Steve Stewart who is also donating his services, is in need of donors for supplies and services to complete the project. They still need many things from shingles to carpet to plumbing and also a surveillance and security system. If anyone can donate building supplies or contracting services we would be delighted to put you in touch with Steve.

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