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**“FIRST FIVE” STUDENTS RECOGNIZED FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT**

The Harold Grinspoon Charitable Foundation’s Entrepreneurship Initiative has announced the first five students who have been recognized for demonstrating entrepreneurial spirit for the academic year 2008-09. They will be among the students honored at the Foundation’s annual banquet to be held Wednesday, April 29th at The Log Cabin in Holyoke, MA.

Entrepreneurial Spirit award winners to date include:

**Christine Costigan**, marketing major, Holyoke Community College  
*Christine Costigan Photography*

**Dave Douglas**, MBA student, Springfield College  
*Dave Douglas Auctioneer.com*

**Trent Guihan**, entrepreneurship major, Springfield Technical Community College  
*Hammer Time Green Contracting*

**James Tranghese**, construction major, Springfield Technical Community College  
*Tranghese Construction & Remodeling*

**Armen Vatanyan**, recent business graduate, Greenfield Community College  
*New Light Newspaper*, a Russian-language publication

Last year more than 50 students attending colleges and universities in the Pioneer Valley were recognized by the Grinspoon Foundation’s Entrepreneurship Initiative for demonstrating “entrepreneurial spirit”. Individual awards ranged from \$500 to \$3,000.

Participating institutions include: American International College, Bay Path College, Elms College, Greenfield Community College, Hampshire College, Holyoke Community College, Mt. Holyoke College, Smith College, Springfield College, Springfield Technical Community College, University of Massachusetts, Western New England College and Westfield State College.

The Entrepreneurship Initiative is one of several initiatives supported by the philanthropy of Longmeadow, MA resident and businessman, Harold Grinspoon. For more information about Harold Grinspoon Foundation initiatives, visit [www.hgcf.org](http://www.hgcf.org).

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