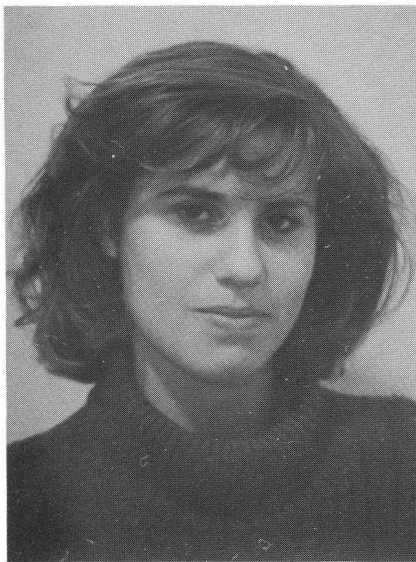


The Association office received the letters printed below from three of the four Italian students who were chosen to receive the scholarship grants for the year 1989. Each year the Association has been giving grants of \$500.00 each to students whose families lived in the vicinity of the airfield at Torretta, Italy. Professor Umberto Albanese chooses the finalists from applicants who must meet strict academic criteria. The fourth finalist was Assunta Davenia. Her father, Matteo Davenia, a former resident of Cerignola, who was a laborer and houseboy at the 764th Squadron area during WWII, accepted the award on her behalf, as stated by Association Scholarship Committee member Chris Donaldson in his Official Report.

The request by Mr. Davenia that he be permitted to hand over his check as a gift of his family to the Cerignola community and that it be dedicated for educational purposes was approved by Chris Donaldson acting on behalf of the Association.

Tiziana  
Gentile,  
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71042 Cerignola  
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Dear Friends:

I'd like to express all my gratitude to you for the honor of receiving so important a grant to me and my admiration for this noble and useful initiative. I'm really happy to have had the chance of meeting some friends as you, coming from so far.

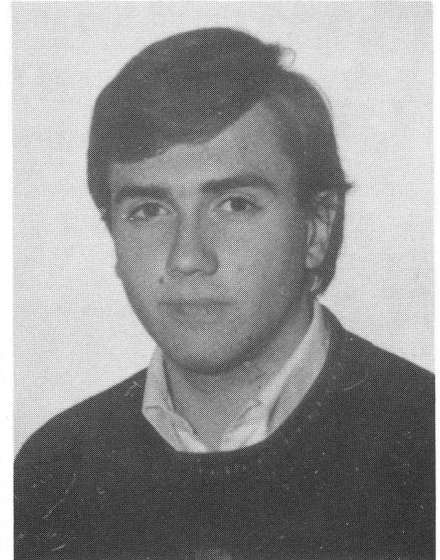
I think that this link that you have established with the city that saw you young and friendly soldiers is very nice and makes me feel full of warmth and gratitude. This award is very important for me, it has given me immense stimulus to continue with more interest and constant diligence in the future too.

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Umberto Massafra,  
Via Dante Alighieri 4,  
71042 Cerignola  
(Foggia):Italy



Dear members:

I'm very happy for the honor received from your association. This recognition is very important for me. In fact, it's difficult to work always with no gratification. You have given me an important satisfaction and your confidence gives me more self-confidence. I hope always to be worthy of this scholarship. In fact, I'm still very young and today's life is difficult, but your confidence will help me to face my future problems in school and in other areas of life. I don't know now what profession I'll start but I want and hope to be a good man like your predecessors who fought against Germany in my city. They were exemplary men and you and I must be their worthy successors. I thank you very much and I shall not forget your confidence in me. Thanks.

P.S. I'm sorry for my errors.



Maria  
Sgaramella  
(Foggia)  
Cerignola,  
Italy:



Greetings

I'd like to thank all the persons who have made possible this my new, unforgettable experience.

It is because of them that some other boy and girl will be able to meet persons as our American friends who organize and promote these initiatives, keeping the vivid memory of their friends who died during the terrible war.