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## **RISO CONTRIBUTES TO THE PETER GAMMONS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Provider of high-speed digital printers will fund full college scholarships for Boston Public School students through Foundation To Be Named Later*

**Danvers, MA – January 12, 2010 – [RISO, Inc.](#)**, a leader in digital printing technology, announced today that it will fund four full college scholarships for Boston Public Schools students. The newly created “Peter Gammons – Foundation To Be Named Later Scholarship presented by RISO” was announced by Theo Epstein, Executive Vice President and General Manager of the [Boston Red Sox](#), at the Hot Stove Cool Music Baseball Roundtable on Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at Fenway Park.

This academic scholarship is one of many non-profit programs supported by the [Foundation To Be Named Later](#), a branch of the Red Sox Foundation, the mission of which is to raise funds and awareness for non-profit agencies serving disadvantaged youth in the Greater Boston area. The Foundation To Be Named Later was co-founded in early 2005 by Theo Epstein and his brother Paul, a social worker in the [Brookline Public Schools](#) system. To date, the Foundation has distributed more than \$3 million in cash and experience grants to the non-profit organizations it supports.

“The Foundation is thrilled to have the privilege to create positive opportunities for BPS students and we could not have picked anyone better than Peter Gammons, a passionate advocate for young people and our biggest champion, to dedicate the scholarship to,” Paul Epstein said. “We are very grateful to RISO for their leadership and belief in our work in the community.”

“The Peter Gammons – Foundation To Be Named Later Scholarship presented by RISO” was announced at the start of Saturday’s Roundtable where Peter Gammons was present along with Paul Epstein; Dr. Carol Johnson, superintendent of [Boston Public Schools](#); Michael Ross, president of the Boston City Council; and Todd Deluca, president and chief operating officer for RISO, Inc.

“RISO has always believed in supporting education for our nation’s children,” said Todd Deluca. “The goal of this academic scholarship is to provide greater opportunities to students who might not otherwise have the ability to attend college.”

A Boston native and Hall of Fame baseball writer, Peter Gammons recently joined the MLB Network as an on-air and online analyst. He has long been an avid philanthropist and community activist.

"To have four scholarships dedicated in my honor means more to me than any professional accomplishment," said Gammons. "Over the years, I have been proud to work with the Foundation and aid in its efforts to provide a better life for underprivileged children in the city of Boston. I am grateful that Todd Deluca and his staff at RISO have made this scholarship possible."

Dr. Carol Johnson also spoke at the event, saying "A college education is a life changing gift. With the help of this scholarship presented by RISO, these students will receive this remarkable gift and the opportunity it brings. We continue to be encouraged by the work our local partners are doing to help our students become scholars in their own right as we work to prepare every student in Boston for success in college and beyond."

Saturday marked the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of [Hot Stove Cool Music](#), a benefit concert that Peter Gammons co-founded in January of 2000. Saturday's concert at the House of Blues raised close to \$300,000 for the Foundation To Be Named Later.

### ***About RISO, Inc.***

[RISO, Inc.](#), headquartered in Danvers, Massachusetts, is a wholly owned subsidiary of RISO Kagaku Corporation, Japan's leading manufacturer and distributor of high-speed inkjet printers and digital duplicators (previously called Risograph). RISO's [ComColor](#)<sup>®</sup> printers offer fast, affordable, environmentally friendly digital color at speeds of up to 150 pages per minute. To learn more about RISO's ComColor printers, call 1-800-663-3031 ext. 2, or visit its corporate website at [www.us.riso.com](http://www.us.riso.com).

### ***About Foundation To Be Named Later (FTBNL)***

The mission of FTBNL is to raise funds and awareness for non-profit agencies, working on the front lines, serving disadvantaged youth and families in the Greater Boston area. FTBNL has given out more than \$1.5 Million dollars in grants and \$1.5 Million dollars in in-kind donations to over 150 non profit organizations and has sent over 1,500 children, who would not get the chance to go to a game, to Red Sox and Celtics home games. The chief fundraiser for the FTBNL is the "Hot Stove, Cool Music Concert Series." The principal beneficiaries of the FTBNL include: BELL (Building Educated Leaders for Life) Citizen Schools, City Year Boston, The Home for Little Wanderers, Horizons for Homeless Children, Molo Care, Room To Grow, Roxbury Youthworks, Steps to Success, and West End House Boys & Girls Club.

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