

Subject: <Quadriplegic Student Gets Master's Degree>

To Jessica Neuman,

Chapman University is preparing to give a well-earned master's degree to student Marty O'Connor, who became a quadriplegic after an accident in 2012. The twist is that the university will also be rewarding Marty's mother with an honorary master's degree, since she served as Marty's aid and transcriber during his time here at Chapman.

We at the university would like you to interview Marty about his journey and be present at the time of the presentation of Mrs. O'Connor's degree. Our faculty and Marty have been planning his mother's degree as a secret surprise and is something not before done by the university.

Marty has touched the lives of many here at Chapman and has shown all of us what it means to persevere through difficult times. He has always been eager to learn and get the job done with a smile, despite having to work harder than any other student.

His story deserves to be heard.

For more information, click [here](#).

Please contact me with any questions or coordinating,

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