Wildcat Foundation

Strengthening our Schools and Community

Foundation News



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From the Director's Desk

There was a time when I thought that activity slowed down at the Foundation after our February Wildcat Night event...Well, I thought wrong. The pace of the Foundation has not slowed as we work to provide support for our MASD community.



Our **tenth(!) annual Golf Outing** is fast approaching, on August 16. We will return to Range End Golf Club for a 2PM shotgun start. November 9 will be here before we know it, and with that, **Community Day**! Returning to MMS, Community Day will again include a 5K run, commemorative flag sale, and the opportunity to give the gift of life with your donation to the Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank!

Thanks to the many supporters and guests who made our **3rd Annual Wildcat Night** a success. We wrapped up the 2019 event and started plans for 2020: Mark you calendar and join us at a new venue—**Stock's Manor**—on **February 21, 2020.**

And if our own activities weren't enough, the Foundation was recently approached by Travis King, owner of <u>Shampoo Workshop</u>! Mr. King has generously selected the Foundation to be the beneficiary of his gift card promo. Purchase a gift card on May 4 or May 5 (just in time for Mother's Day) and the Wildcat Foundation will benefit! Gift cards may be purchased at <u>Shampoo Workshop</u>, 2210 Aspen Drive, Mechanicsburg. Details and more info can be found at <u>http://wildcatfoundation.org/newsevents/calendar-2-2/</u>

Thanks for the volunteer support that makes these things happen, but why such an emphasis on events and event planning? It is these activities that allow us to fulfil our mission...more about that as you read on....

Foundation awards \$95,210 in Grant Funding!

Annually, the Wildcat Foundation accepts applications from the MASD community requesting financial support for various programs and projects not typically included in the MASD budget. Recently, Foundation volunteers reviewed applications through the lens of our mission: to strengthen the educational, cultural, wellness, and athletic programs of MASD. With that in mind, we have committed funds to 38 programs and projects for the 2019/'20 academic year. Of those, eight will be supported with Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC), designated dollars. You may view a detailed list of funded programs here.

10th Annual Golf Outing, 8.16.2019. We will return to Range End Golf Club and would like to recognize YOU! If you have been a part of the Foundation golf outing since we started in 2009, please contact us at 717-691-4505 or wildcatfoundation@mbgsd.org.



Community Day will return to MMS on November 9! Community Day attracts school

groups, other non-profit organizations and area businesses to share the District and community programs and services that are available for students and their families. We will again offer a 5K run and 1.5 mile family fun run/walk, and a commemorative flag sale, and a blood drive through the Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank.



Building the Future *Together!*

For just over a year, Wildcat Foundation volunteers have worked quietly to raise funds to complete a 2.5 million dollar capital campaign for improvements at John H. Frederick Field; home field for so many MASD athletics and extracurricular

activities. Current structures have not been significantly touched since built in 1947! Since then, the Foundation raised funds to install a synthetic turf field (replaced last year); other improvements include new aluminum bleacher seating and an electronic scoreboard.

In partnership, and with a lead gift from the Rich Lichtel Fund, the Foundation has raised over \$1,250,000, or one-half of our fundraising goal! With cash and commitments in hand, we begin a more public fundraising phase for this long overdue project. To lean more, contact the Foundation office at 717-691-4505 or wildcatfoundation@mbgsd.org, or visit www.wildcatfoundation.org/campaign.