



January, 2017

## Foundation News

### *From the Director's Desk*

Happy New Year! It's hard to believe I started with the Wildcat Foundation just three months ago; time sure flies when you're having fun!



My name is Holly Rider Laufer, and on September 1, 2016, I began as the Foundation's executive director. I am just the third person to hold this post since the Foundation was established in 1998. While I've not always lived in Mechanicsburg, I was born and raised here. As a 1981 MASH graduate, I am proud to represent the Wildcat Foundation and to once again call Mechanicsburg home, along with my husband, Dick.

I have learned much about fundraising the past 20 years, supporting the efforts of CPARC, United Ways of both the Capital Region and Carlisle & Cumberland County, and Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Capital Region. I believe that with your help and support, we can continue to grow the Wildcat Foundation to *strengthen the educational, cultural, wellness and athletic programs of the Mechanicsburg Area School District.*

Your thoughts about the Foundation and your help as we move forward are welcome. Please contact me to share your ideas, offer assistance or ask questions. I look forward to meeting you!

### **Wildcat Night—An Evening in the Spotlight**

Join us on February 24 at the Radisson Hotel Harrisburg, beginning at 6 PM.

This first time event will include buffet dinner, DJ, live entertainment featuring MASH students, past and present, a heads and tails game, \$10,000 raffle, silent auction and more!

Tickets are \$50.00 each  
Raffle tickets are \$100.00 each  
*only 200 raffle tickets available—guaranteed first prize of \$5,000.00!*

For tickets or information, contact [Holly Laufer](#), call 717-691-4505, or visit us @ [www.wildcatfoundation.org](http://www.wildcatfoundation.org).

### Fundraising Efforts Drive the Foundation

It is only through targeted fundraising efforts and community support that the Wildcat Foundation is able to continue our mission *to strengthen the educational, cultural, wellness and athletic programs of the Mechanicsburg Area School District*. You will support the Foundation's efforts when you make your tax deductible contribution to the Wildcat Foundation. You will also support our work and our students when you:

- ◆ *attend or sponsor an event.*
- ◆ *remember the Wildcat Foundation in your will or estate plans.*
- ◆ *purchase a commemorative brick placed in the walkway at the Trails and Trees Environmental Center.*
- ◆ *make an EITC contribution through your business (The Wildcat Foundation is approved as a K-12 Educational Improvement Organization).*
- ◆ *designate the Wildcat Foundation in your workplace charitable giving campaign.*
- ◆ *volunteer your time and talent to the Wildcat Foundation.*

**Volunteers Wanted:** If you wish to be considered to serve on the Foundation Board, please let us know. The Foundation Board meets the first Friday of most months at 7:30 AM in the Community Room at Elmwood Elementary School. Share your interest by contacting [Holly Laufer](#) or call 717-691-4505.

Volunteers also welcome to serve on our event planning committees: Wildcat Night, golf outing, Community Day and community relations.

### TECH NEWS

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