

# The Wildcat Foundation

## MEMBERSHIP INFO

- **What is the Wildcat Foundation?**

The Wildcat Foundation was incorporated in May 2004 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation to help the young men and women of North Little Rock High School and subsequently our city as a whole. Since 2004, we've contributed over \$500,000 toward enhancing student life at the school.

- **Who are we and how are we funded?**

Our 2009 Board of Directors are Chairman Sam Swayze, Vice Chairman Whitnie Hall, Secretary Regan Gruber, Treasurer Luke King, Ruth Young Ratcliff, Teresa Burl, Dr. Rob Jolly, Dan Rolett, Karen Boone, Kevin Noble, Eddie Armstrong and Cathy Cameron. Our major fundraiser is our annual Wildcat Duffers Classic Golf Tournament held on Good Friday every year at Burns Park Golf Course. The Wildcat Foundation also is the beneficiary of a preseason baseball tournament hosted by the NLRHS Baseball Team and we also raise funds from our annual membership drive.

- **What we have accomplished.**

In 2004, The Wildcat Foundation started small with the proceeds of our first golf tournament utilized to outfit the NLRHS Golf Team with new golf bags, shirts, and hats.

Since then we've taken on larger projects and we're extremely proud of the 3,500 square foot multi-purpose training facility at the high school complete with state-of-the-art equipment and a new visitors concession stand. The training facility is a classic example of "teamwork" as the Foundation along with the community and business leaders joined hands to make the project a smashing success. The Wildcat Foundation's contribution to the project was \$250,000. We extend a huge Thank You to all who so graciously devoted their time and financial support.

We've also grown in the scope of activities we've been fortunate enough to assist with at North Little Rock High School. Another project we are very proud of is our sponsorship of the delegates to Arkansas Girls State and Boys State each year for ten boys and ten girls. We host a reception for the delegates and their parents to honor their accomplishment.

Over the years we've also provided financial support to the Speech and Drama Club, Swim Team, Volleyball Team, Basketball Team, Yearbook, North Little Rock UniClub, Post Prom Committee, Wildcat Spirit Shop and The North Little Rock Public Education Foundation.

Recently we've partnered with Barnes and Noble to assist the school with a student reading program that we're very excited about. This project has netted an additional 225 books for classroom libraries. West Campus Principal Anita Cameron is hopeful that their continued emphasis on reading will result in improvement school-wide on the literacy exam given in the Spring.



*Barnes & Noble "Pass It On" Shopping Spree*

- **Become part of our "team"!**

By joining the Wildcat Foundation you are investing in the future citizens and leaders of our community. Help us continue to "turn dreams into reality" and mail your \$50 annual membership, or any donation you may choose, to Wildcat Foundation, PO Box 94926, North Little Rock, AR 72190-4926. You may also visit our website at [www.thewildcatfoundation.com](http://www.thewildcatfoundation.com).

