# Lower Dauphin Falcon Foundation



# Annual Report 2017-2018

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# Enhancing Opportunities, Expanding Horizons

## Annual Report for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018

The Lower Dauphin Falcon Foundation (LDFF) was established in 2007 and continues to expand its community recognition and involvement, sponsored programs, fundraising activities, and funded projects.

## **Foundation Fundraising and Events**

To support the mission of the foundation, fundraising activities are designed to engage a broad representation of individuals in the Lower Dauphin community, as well as to reach individuals outside of the community with an affiliation to or an interest in Lower Dauphin. Our list of donors and contributors is evidence that many individuals and businesses believe in our mission. Through their generosity, we met our 2017-2018 fundraising goals. This foundation continues to gain recognition, strength, and endorsement from our community to support our mission.

#### Blue & White Gala

The tenth annual Blue and White Gala, **LDFF Falcon Fling- Sundown at the LD Corral** was held on January 27, 2018 at the Hall of Champions, Hollywood Casino. The theme for this year's event was "Western" and featured decorations that suited it perfectly. The Gala featured a full course dinner. There was also raffle auctions as well as a live auction. This year we honored the "10 most wanted teachers and staff" of Lower Dauphin. They were selected by a panel after nominations were made by the community of Lower Dauphin. Each individual was honored and given a \$200 grant to be used in their classrooms or school associated project. The following staff members were awarded the honor. Shannon Bastian (Londonderry-Reading Specialist), Lauren Bruce (East Hanover- School Counselor), Kellie Custer (Nye- Learning Support Teacher), Stacy Kreitzer (MS- Technology Integration Coach), Kristen MacKay (South Hanover- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher), Natalie McCorkel (MS- Building Secretary), Mary Smith (HS-Nurse), Christina Watkins (HS- Math Teacher), Kathy Weber (HS- Guidance Secretary), and Erica Wilkinson (Conewago- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher). Approximately 215 guests were in attendance at this year's event. The event raised just over \$16,500 through tickets sales, donations, raffle auction and live auctions.

#### 11th Annual Lower Dauphin Falcon Foundation Golf Outing

On Saturday, May 5, 2018, the eleventh Annual LDFF Golf Outing took place at the Manada Golf Club Course in Hummelstown, and raised over \$10,400. A reception followed at Manada Golf Club. The Tournament Board members were Jody Dimpsey, Rick Smith, Jessica DeHart, Terry and Patience Basehore. Merakey was this year's Platinum sponsor. Hub Group and El Associates were this year's Gold Sponsors.

#### **Dinner Theater Event**

Once again, the LD High School Spring Musical provided an opportunity for the foundation to support the arts, increase the visibility to the community, and fundraise. A dinner theater was held prior to the Friday evening performance of "The Sound of Music" on March 8, 2018

receiving a profit of \$698.35 with ten percent of the proceeds donated to the LD theater program. This was the tenth year for the Dinner Theater that had 119 people in attendance.

#### **Annual Campaign**

The success of any educational foundation is predicated on the ability to raise funds from community members and individuals with a prior or current affiliation with the school. In a continuing effort to reach out to these individuals, educate them about LDFF, and gather contributions to support our mission, the Annual Campaign was held in the fall of 2017. A mailing was sent to potential donors in late October, with materials describing the foundation and its mission, as well as requests for donations. The campaign continued to be a success for the foundation raising over \$4500.

#### **Foundation Grants**

The foundation again solicited grant applications from Lower Dauphin faculty, staff, students, and community members during two cycles this past year. Criteria for approval included, among other items, consistency with LDFF's mission, the number of students impacted, and the innovative aspects of the grant. Grant applications represented a broader range of ideas, applicants, students impacted, and locations. The foundation is proud to have provided the funding for the following:

## Grants Funded by LDFF during 2017-2018 and Benefiting Students of the Lower Dauphin School District

- 1. After-Graduation Party (LDHS) \$500
- 2. Fly like a Falcon Reward Program (LDMS) \$200
- 3. Learning in a Flexible Physical Environment (Conewago)- \$500
- 4. Power Pack Program (LDMS and LDHS)- \$500
- 5. Art Show (Districtwide) -\$427.75
- 6. Flexible Seating (Nye)- \$500
- 7. Nanoline Contest (LDHS) \$1,000
- 8. Hummelstown Summer Rec Program \$500

- 9. Sphero Accessories STEM Project (LDMS)- \$320
- 10. Summer Grades 4-8 Science Program (Districtwide) \$3,740
- 11. STEAM Greenhouse Garden (LDHS)- \$1,800
- 12. Wallops Island (LDHS Grade 11 and 12)- \$500
- 13. Life Skills Music Class Ukuleles (LDMS and LDHS)- \$400

#### EITC Grants during the 2017-2018 School Year

Thanks to our donors through the EITC Grants, LDFF received a total of \$14,500 of grant funds

this year. Special thanks to the following companies for this year's support: Weis Markets

(\$1,500), Mid Penn Bank (\$3,000), Giant Foods (\$5000) and Rutter's (\$5000).

Funds were provided to the following programs:

1. Purchase of Ipads for elementary schools- \$14,500

2017-2018 Budget Results Total Revenue	\$47,010.93 *	OverallFoundation Revenue as ofJune 30, 2018Overall Checking Account for\$58,663.12the LDFF
Total Expenditures	\$36,666.78*	Overall Reserves and \$141,188.24   Investments for the LDFF
Overall Net for 2016-2017	\$10,344.15	Total Assets for the LDFF \$165,864.25
Extra Funds for Community Projects (FH, LAH, EITC, and CC Account as of 6-30-18) \$109,586.76		*Only Includes LDFF Direct Revenues and Expenses Does not include special fundraising such as field house campaign, Lend A Hand, Coopers Classroom, EITC

## **Budget Information**

### Administrative Expenses for the Foundation for the 2017-2018 Year were \$8,500.00

# **Generous Donor Support for the Lower Dauphin Falcon Foundation**

The foundation would like to acknowledge and thank many individuals and companies for their generous support of our fundraising efforts, including The Annual Giving Campaign, The Blue & White Gala, The Annual Golf Outing, and the Dinner Theatre. Donations of money, time, talent, goods, and in kind gifts are all greatly appreciated. Many of the donors and businesses contributed on more than one occasion and in various ways.

# HOW TO SUPPORT THE LOWER DAUPHIN FALCON FOUNDATION

# **Support Our Future Events**

Annual Giving Campaign – Fall 2018 The eleventh Annual Blue and White Gala (Falcon Fling) – January 26, 2019 Dinner Theatre – March 1, 2019 Twelfth Annual LDFF Golf Outing – Spring 2019

# **Tax Credit Program**

As a non-profit 501(C)(3) organization, the LDFF has opportunities for businesses to donate to the foundation and receive tax credit. The following are the programs designated for these funds: technology enhancement (laptop computers for elementary students, fiber connections to outlying schools, portable classroom set of computers) and Academic Enrichment.

# Volunteer

The Lower Dauphin Falcon Foundation is always in need of energetic, enthusiastic individuals who are dedicated to the LD community. In addition to the Board, we have numerous committees and we welcome your help. Please contact us for more information.

# Donate

Several different mechanisms are available for you to donate to the foundation: General Contributions Project Specific or Donor-Directed Contributions Contributions in honor or memoriam Business participation in the tax-credit program

# To Learn More, to Volunteer, to Donate, or to Contact Us

Please visit our website at www.LDFalconFoundation.org

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