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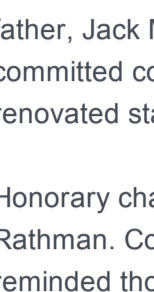
NAPSF Member Spotlight: Grand Island Public School Foundation

Traci Skalberg



It is our intention that this member spotlight feature a different member school foundation each month. But, when no one signs up for May well, you guessed it, you get yours truly. We have asked members to highlight or feature the normal things and the extraordinary things happening at our Nebraska School Foundations. At the GIPS Foundation we have been focused on a \$17 million capital campaign to restore and rebuild our community football stadium. Below is a story about this project by our Alumni Liaison George Ayoub, GISH Class of 1968, that originally ran in the GIPS Foundation Alumni Newsletter "Rise" in the March 2019 issue.

Enjoy!



Groundbreaking for "Our Grand Legacy" Takes Place

George Ayoub

Several hundred members of Grand Island community — many of them proud members of Islander Nation— showed up at Senior High's west gym on a cold January 21 to celebrate the groundbreaking for the Memorial Stadium Project, "Our Grand Legacy." Nine dignitaries and project leaders took to shovels on the track during a mercifully short presentation outdoors in frigid temperatures. Included in that group was Lanny Martin, Class of 1964, whose \$10 million lead gift is the solid foundation on which the project is being built.

Back inside the west gym Martin spoke to the crowd about growing up in Grand Island and his father, Jack Martin, who was a high school teacher, mayor of Grand Island, constant and committed community leader, and timekeeper for Islander home football games. The field at the renovated stadium will be called Jack Martin Field.

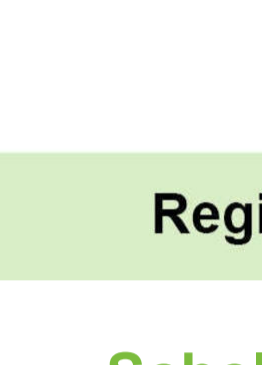
Honorary chairs for the project are Senior High alumni Tom Rathman and his wife, Holly Yencer Rathman. Co-chairmen are Jim and Maureen Kahrhoff, and Jeff and Jane Richardson. Karhoff reminded those gathered that the project — a new west grandstand, press box, locker rooms, concession stand, concourse, and field, and a renovated east grandstand with new seating, locker rooms, and concession — will continue to honor local veterans with its iconic facade on which the names of battle sites run across the top of east stadium exterior.

Also speaking were high school football players from Senior High and Central Catholic (which plays its home games at Memorial Stadium), superintendent Dr. Tawana Grover, Jeff Richardson, and Grand Island Public Schools Foundation Executive Director, Traci Skalberg. The Foundation is leading the campaign to raise money for the project, as alumni and supporters across the country continue to send donations in support of "Our Grand Legacy."

For more photos and link to media coverage of the groundbreaking celebration, go to our [Grand Island Memorial Stadium Newsroom](#).



•SAVE THE DATE•



2019 Statewide Conference

Thursday, September 26, 2019

7:00 am - 5:00 pm

Don Clifton Professional Learning Center

710 Hill Street • Lincoln, NE 68502

Registration Open Soon!

Scholarship Opportunity!!

This year at our Statewide Conference, we will be giving away two **\$500 scholarships** to the 2020 National School Foundation Association Conference held in Philadelphia!!

Request For Proposals

Calling all experts! You know who you are! What is a conference without great sessions? In order for us to add the most value to our Fall Conference, we NEED YOU to consider submitting a proposal for an informative session. If you have some great experience to share regarding any of the following topics, please submit your conference session proposal by **June 30, 2019**.

Suggested Session Topics:

- Engaging Alumni
- Board Development, Governance, and Best Practice
- Public, Private Partnerships and Foundation District Relationships
- Minding the Financial of the Foundation
- Capital Campaigns
- Sponsorships, Naming Rights and Ethics
- Time to hire a Foundation Director
- Policies, Procedures and Legal Questions for School Foundations
- Special Events
- Scholarship and Grant Administration
- Your Topic?

[Forum Proposal](#)

Sponsorship Opportunities Available

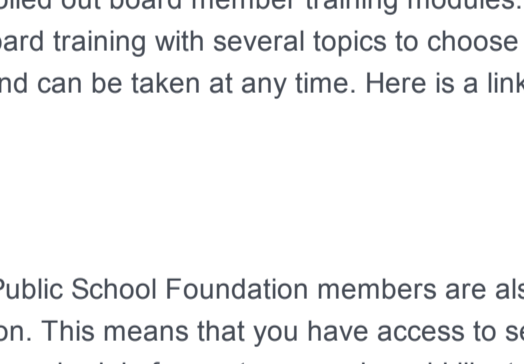
We can't have a great conference without you! If you would like more information on the opportunities available to sponsor the Nebraska Association of Public School Foundations Statewide Conference, please click below. There are opportunities at all levels to show your love for investing in Nebraska's students.

[Sponsorship](#)

Numbers, Numbers, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Our numbers for this year are incomplete. We have created a form to collect numbers from our members and non-members and ask you to click on the link and fill out this form. It is an important part of our testimony to be able to share these numbers and collectively raise the bar and resources for both our Nebraska Association of Public School Foundations and for our own foundations on the local level. **Please help us by filling out the form below.**

[Click Here](#)



NSFA New Resources

Don't forget, the NSFA has rolled out board member training modules. These modules are a reasonable way to access board training with several topics to choose from. Each module is a 30-60 minute micro-credential and can be taken at any time. Here is a link to the [board training](#).

NSFA Webinars

All Nebraska Association of Public School Foundation members are also members of the National School Foundation Association. This means that you have access to several free webinars each year. The NSFA is building the schedule for next year and would like to know what topics are of interest to you. Please reach out to me lskalberg@gips.org or Robin Callahan at robin@schoolfoundations.org if you have ideas on this.

NAPSF Membership Benefits

NAPSF Website

Don't forget to log into the NAPSF website and submit your school foundation success story. We have posted some stories from Lincoln, Columbus, Omaha, and Norfolk to name a few. You can submit stories [here](#).

NAPSF Members

We are currently 30 members strong at the Nebraska Association of Public School Foundations. A list of our membership is below.

- Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools Foundation
- Beatrice Educational Foundation
- Bellevue Public Schools Foundation
- Bennington Public Schools Foundation
- Cardinal Education Foundation (South Sioux City)
- Central High School Foundation (Omaha)
- Columbus Public Schools Foundation
- Cozad Public Schools Foundation
- Creek Valley School Educational Foundation
- Crete Public Schools Trust Fund
- Eikhorn Public Schools Foundation
- Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools
- Gering Public Schools Foundation
- Grand Island Public Schools Foundation
- Hastings Public Schools Foundation
- Kearney Public Schools Foundation
- Millard Schools Education Foundation, Inc.
- Norfolk Public Schools Foundation
- Northwest Educational Foundation, Inc.
- Oakland-Craig Public Schools Foundation
- Ogallala Public Schools Foundation
- Omaha Public Schools Foundation
- Papillion La Vista Schools Foundation
- Ponca Community Educational Foundation
- Ralston Community Schools Foundation
- School District 145 Foundation for Education (Waverly/Eagle)
- Wausa Public Schools Foundation
- Wayne Community Schools Foundation
- Westside Community Schools Foundation, Inc.
- York Public Schools Foundation

Haven't Become a NAPSF Member Yet?

The Nebraska Association of Public School Foundations is a state affiliate of the National School Foundation Association. This means that as a member of the Nebraska Association of Public School Foundations, you will get the discounted conference rate and all other full benefits of membership to the national organization as well as Nebraska. You pay one rate to Nebraska and get two memberships Statewide and National! What a deal!

[Learn more about NAPSF membership benefits](#)

NAPSF Event Calendar

Upcoming Meetings

NAPSF Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 4, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
123 S. Webb Road
Grand Island Public Schools Foundation

2019 NAPSF State Conference
Thursday, September 26, 2019, 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

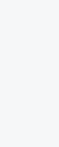
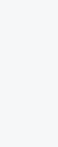
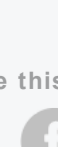
Upcoming NSFA Webinars

All NAPSF Members are also members with full benefits of the National School Foundation Association, the oldest and largest K-12 foundation organization in the U.S. NSFA webinars are free for NAPSF members.

Here is what's coming up:

Setting Your Board on Fire About Fundraising
Wednesday, June 5, 12:00 p.m.
[Register Here](#)

NSFA Webinars will be listed on the [NAPSF Event Calendar](#).



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