



*Providing Opportunities...*

**The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation**  
incorporated

*Beyond the Regular Educational Programs of the Butler Area School District.*



*Celebrating*



*A Decade*

*Of Giving*

**Paula Opalka**

Principal, Center Ave.  
Elementary School

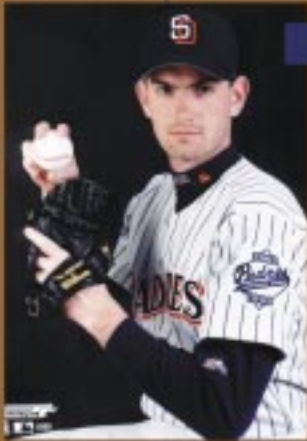


At Center Avenue Elementary our students have had the benefit of creative teaching grants to better their education. Over the last few years we have brought in resident artists who have shown the students what can be done in the art world.

These professionals have enlightened our students. Without the creative teaching grants our students would never have had a chance to know what's available for them.

**Matt Clement**

BHS Class of '93  
Pitcher, San Diego Padres



"I often look back to my days at BHS and realize how fortunate I was to participate in an excellent sports program. The coaches and facilities helped me become the athlete I am today. I still currently use the facilities daily to assist in my off-season training. The GTSF provides students with both academic and athletic assistance."

**Andrew J. Geibel**

BHS Class of 2000  
GTSF Scholarship  
Recipient



Receiving this award is a way of telling me that all of my hard work and the help of my teachers really does pay off.

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*Our Vision...*

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and innovative opportunities beyond  
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for students in the  
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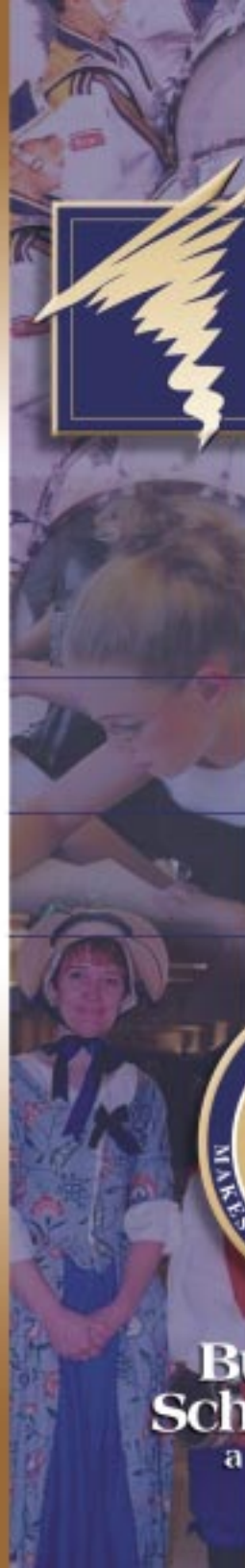
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# The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation incorporated

What began in the fall of 1990 as a small group of people interested in improving the Butler Senior High School stadium is today the Butler Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation Inc., a nonprofit, publicly supported charitable foundation that focuses on projects beneficial to Butler Area School District students and teachers.

In the past decade, the Foundation has contributed more than \$500,000 to the stadium renovation and new stadium annex; student scholarships; artist-in-residence programs; creative teaching grants to permit teachers to pursue innovative learning projects for students; publication of the school activities calendar and "The First 15 Years," the story of the Distinguished

Graduate Award presented annually to a Butler High alum; and many other educational activities and enrichment projects.

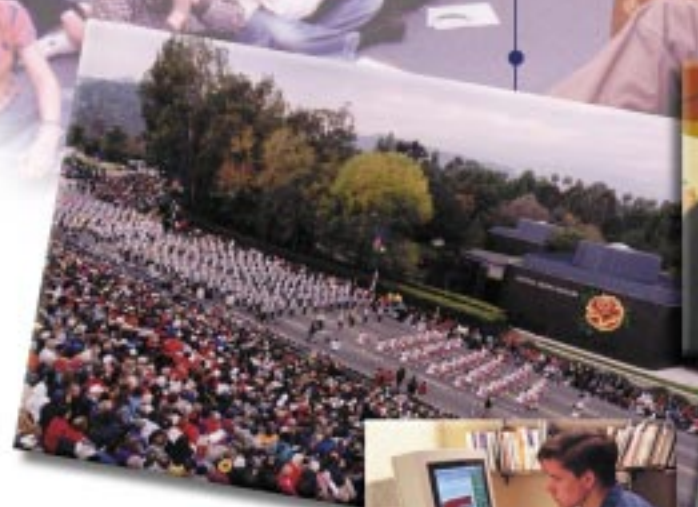
We invite you to become involved. Share in the Foundation's vision for the future through your tax-deductible contributions, and share your dreams for the Butler Area School District with the foundation.

The Foundation raises money and accepts financial contributions and volunteer help from individuals, corporations, civic groups, and other foundations. It is financially accountable for administration and evaluation of any grant which it receives or provides. All grants and funds are provided at the discretion of the Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation Board of Directors.



The official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll-free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999.

# Providing Opportunities Beyond...



## Butler High School Alumni association

Formed in conjunction with the Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation, the BHS Alumni Association will provide an opportunity for students to stay in touch with their alma mater and to keep track of friends in the coming years. Members also receive an annual newsletter that includes reunion information along with school and community highlights.





***This Appeal Is For Gifts "Over And Above" the Annual Appeal***

The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation's Annual Fund must not suffer because of this appeal. Therefore, if you are currently giving to the Annual Fund, you are asked to consider continuing your annual support and making this special gift over and above what you annually give.

***You Are Invited***

The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation respectfully invites you to consider participating in this worthwhile project to strengthen its programs and to expand its vision.

You may make a gift by completing the enclosed Statement of Intent and mailing it to the Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation.

***If We Go Over The Goal***

Gifts in excess of the amount needed for the projects will be placed in the Endowment Fund and designated for use in providing additional classroom grants and scholarships.

***Estimated Costs and Goal***

Appeal project goals include construction costs, site preparation, furnishings and endowment.

Practice Fields .....	\$135,000
Classroom Grant and Scholarship Endowment .....	\$100,000
Contingency .....	\$ 15,000
<b>Total Costs and Goal .....</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>

***How you can support the "Expanding the Vision" Appeal***

No one person or group can meet the challenge before us. Only as we together give generously over the next 36 months will our goals be met.

As you decide your part in this great undertaking, consider the following:

- Pledge payments may be paid over 36 months.
- A Statement of Intent is not binding and may be changed or canceled should your circumstances necessitate.
- Gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law.
- Gifts of appreciated securities are welcome and may provide you with additional tax savings.



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*A Special Gifts*

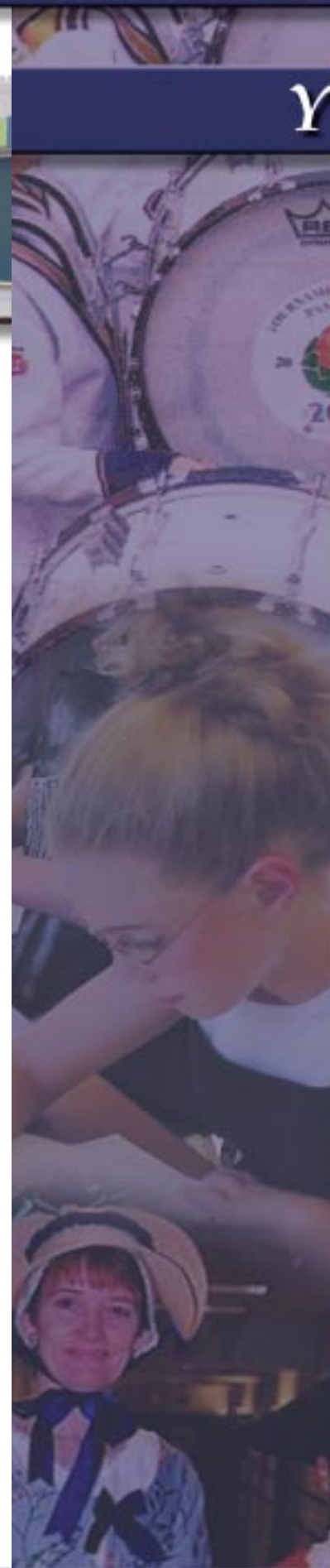
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## Our Vision

The vision of the Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation, as a nonprofit educational organization, is to provide unique, creative and innovative opportunities beyond the regular educational program for students in the Butler Area School District.

### The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation

Founded in 1990, the Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit, publicly supported organization whose activities span a wide range of cultural, educational, and recreational projects. The Foundation supports the Butler Area School District in its improvement projects, which foster an enhanced quality of life for area students, residents and visitors. Examples of these projects include:

- Student Loan Fund
- Creative Teaching Grants
- Butler Senior High School Stadium
- The Stadium Annex

Each year, the Golden Tornado Foundation initiates programs to generate private funds to support projects such as these.

#### Finances

The golden thread that holds the Golden Tornado Foundation together year after year is the generous support given by individuals, families, foundations, corporations, and organizations.

Every person who participates in a program funded by the Golden Tornado Foundation benefits from the generous financial support of individuals and other organizations.

### Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation Board of Directors

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### Appeal Leadership

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Proposed Practice Field Rendering

### Appeal Goal ... \$250,000 Pledged by December 2000

- Gifts and pledges (we call them "intents") of \$250,000 or more must be raised by December 31, 2000.
- Individuals, organizations, foundations and corporations are being asked to consider special gifts to be given over a 36 month payment period.
- These gifts may be made in cash or appreciated stocks and securities.
- Memorial and Honorary Gift opportunities are available for those who wish to remember their loved ones with a special gift.

### What Reaching The Goal Will Mean:

#### • Construction of Multipurpose Practice Fields at the Intermediate High School:

Presently, many of the Butler Area School District's athletic teams must go off school district property to find suitable practice fields. This can be inconvenient to both the student and their parents and can also pose a safety hazard. There are also many community organizations that have difficulty finding appropriate practice areas for their use. Proceeds from the appeal will be used to develop 9 acres of land adjacent to the Intermediate High School into practice fields that can be used by school groups as well as community organizations.



#### • Establishment of Scholarship Endowment:

The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation awards \$500 scholarships to deserving students in the Butler Area School District who are going on to college. A total of \$7,500 in scholarships has been given by the Foundation since its inception. Scholarships are presently awarded on a cash available basis. Proceeds from the appeal will be used to establish an endowment for scholarships. A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a deserving student for every \$10,000 placed in endowment. A gift of \$10,000, or more, will qualify for naming opportunities.



#### • Establishment of Creative Teaching Grant Endowment:

Creative Teaching Grants are awarded to teachers who develop projects that promote excellence in teaching and learning. They provide an opportunity for staff members to develop creative and unique programs that are beneficial to their students. The teacher requests funding, not to exceed \$500, to implement the project in their classroom. Two recent Creative Teaching Grant projects were, a school wide puppet program that taught conflict resolution and cultural/educational diversity and a project aimed at improving fluency

in reading and attending skills by learning the flutophone. Approximately \$5,000 in Creative Teaching Grant money is awarded annually to fund educational projects. Presently, there is no endowment from which to fund Creative Teaching Grants. This makes it very difficult to plan on how many grants can be awarded to teachers. Proceeds from the appeal will be used to establish an endowment to fund the Creative Teaching Grant program on an ongoing basis. A gift of \$10,000, or more, will qualify for a naming opportunity.



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# 1999 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**ASSETS**

Cash .....	\$53,712
Pledges receivable .....	\$410
Ticket revenue receivable .....	\$6,617
<b>Total Assets .....</b>	<b>\$60,739</b>

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts payable .....	\$ 5,592
Pledges payable .....	\$32,000
<b>Total Liabilities .....</b>	<b>\$37,592</b>

**NET ASSETS**

Unrestricted	
Designated by Board for Scholarships .....	\$ 2,500
Designated by Board for Special requests .....	\$ 1,000
Undesignated .....	\$19,647
<b>Total net assets .....</b>	<b>\$23,147</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS .....</b>	<b>\$60,739</b>

## S T A T E M E N T O F I N T E N T

I/We intend to contribute – personal, business and economic conditions permitting – to the “Expanding the Vision” Appeal the following:

Total Amount: \$

- \$10,000 or more over 36 months: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \$5,000 over 36 months
- \$3,000 over 36 months
- “A Buck A Day” (\$30 per month) for 36 months - \$1,080
- Other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

To be paid as follows: Herewith In Full \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ; or

Monthly;  quarterly;  semiannually;  annually.

Date of first payment toward gift: \_\_\_\_\_

Please use my/our gift for: \_\_\_\_\_

- No Preference  Practice Fields  Scholarships  Classroom Grants

Gift In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Gift In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, \_\_\_\_\_ State, \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to the Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation and mail to 110 Campus Lane, Butler, PA 16001. The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation is recognized as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization by the IRS and gifts are tax-deductible as provided by law. Thank you.

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