



Gloria Gates Memorial Foundation

Opening the Gates to a Brighter Future
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7th Annual Golf Tournament

Please join us for a round of golf on Saturday, June 10 at the Park Hills Country club in Altoona. The “For the Kids” tournament will benefit the Gloria Gates Memorial Foundation after school programs. The tournament is a lot of fun with great camaraderie. It attracts golfers with varying skill levels whether they golf to relax to golf to win. The \$90.00 golfer fee includes 18 holes, golf cart, unlimited cold drinks, hot dog lunch, door prizes, and a delicious dinner following the tournament. Team up with your family and friends to help kids get a hand up in life. This will be a fun day that will make a difference in the future of area children. Call 814-949-8838 for info.



Dr. Zane Gates gets ready to putt at the 2016 “For the Kids” tournament.

Support the Tournament

Not everyone golfs, but everyone can still be a part of our annual fundraising tournament. We also need sponsors:

Corporate Sponsors \$3000
Dinner Sponsors \$1000
Golden Gates \$750
Beverage Cart \$250
Hole Sponsorships \$90

Please contact Toni at 949-8838 for more information on sponsorships.

We are in need of new golf-related items to add to our basket raffle. Items include golf balls, tees, gift cards, a range finder, umbrella, sun screen, golf towel, golf glove, ball markers, score card holder or whatever you think a golfer would enjoy. Call Toni at 949-8838 to make arrangements for dropping off items at the GGMF office.



Amazing Girls' Summit

The 2nd Annual Amazing Girls' Summit was held on Saturday, April 8, 2017. This year's theme was “Girl Power”. The theme focused not only on the power of girls to achieve, but also on the power to support each other. The purpose of the summit is to encourage girls to develop self-confidence and self-awareness so that they will not fall victim to bullying, domestic abuse, teen pregnancy, or substance abuse. Sessions were led by faculty and students from Juniata College and Family Services of Blair County. A

fashion show of second-hand clothes and accessories entertained the girls. There were 22 girls ages 9-14 in attendance. The Amazing Girls' Summit was funded by a grant from WISE Women of Blair County.

Working Hard

The after school programs focus on school success and character development to help children get on the path to a bright future. The foundation encourages children to develop responsibility and a good work ethic. Children earn money by completing daily chores, helping younger students, and taking part in special projects. The children then have the opportunity to spend their money on prizes from the prize cabinet. The reward system has proven to be a very effective way to teach children to complete their responsibilities, to save their money, and to understand the concept of working towards a goal.



GGMF Recognized by WISE Women

Toni Bilik, GGMF Executive Director, was one of six women to receive a 2017 WISE Women of Blair County award at the organization's annual dinner held on April 19 at the Casino in Altoona. Toni was selected as this year's honoree for the non-profit category. Wise Women

is dedicated to "Women in Scholarship and Empowerment". It focuses on efforts that support women and eliminate racism. As Toni addressed the awards dinner crowd of nearly 300 people, she gave credit to Dr. Zane Gates who started the organization, the GGMF board of directors, and the staff members. Toni stated that the staff put their time, energy, talents, and hearts into reaching the children. The staff members are to be commended for their dedication.



Job Openings Expected

The Gloria Gates Memorial Foundation is expecting to have one or more job openings for the 2017-2018 school year. All positions are part time allowing 15-25 hours per week depending on the assignment. All staff members must be able to work each school day from 3:30 to 6:00 pm.

Working for the foundation is inspiring, challenging, and satisfying. Staff members help children with their homework and provide enrichment and recreational activities in a safe atmosphere. The foundation has proven very helpful to recent college graduates in need of work experience. It also compliments the schedule of many people looking to add a few more work hours to their week. Applicants must have at least two years of post high school education and clearances to work with children. To apply, send a cover letter and resume via email to director@ggmf.org. Candidates must have an email address for communication purposes.