

The Cuba School's Board of Education would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone here to the newly improved, Cuba-North Fulton Football Field. We would like to recognize several community members who have made <u>outstanding contributions</u> to our school. Because of volunteers this sports complex is a lot better than it was just a few years ago. We would like to express our appreciation for the generosity of their time, their resources, and their talents as well. We want you to know that around this place you are profoundly appreciated. And we wish to thank you for your continued support.

We aim to acknowledge all volunteers and contributors. If by accident you were omitted from tonight's recognition, please notify the district office, so we can properly acknowledge you for your generosity to our school.

The Press Box was made possible through donations by the following: Mr. Tim Lance and Family The Class of 1987 Members of the All Sports Club including: Ms. Rhonda Garrett Ms. Lisa Miller Ms. Cindy Buchen Ms. Brenda Ford The following people have donated their time and supplies for the reconstruction of the **Cuba-North Fulton Football Field**:

<u>Mr. Stanton Miller</u>: Mr. Miller played a vital role in the leveling and resurfacing of the football field. Mr. Miller made available his scraper, seeder, fertilizer spreader, sprayer, and other equipment, not to mention countless hours of his own labor.

<u>Mr. Wyatt Stambaugh</u>: Mr. Stambaugh generously donated the use of his excavating equipment and trailer.

**Mr. Roger Swango**: Mr. Swango worked hard doing the trenching and electrical work.

**Scott & Mindy Harn**: The Harn's not only coordinated the irrigation project, they have given of their knowledge, labor, and supplies at cost for both the football and baseball field's irrigation systems, enabling better, safer playing surfaces for the athletes of North Fulton.

<u>Mr. Neil Krider</u>: Mr. Krider lent use of his backhoe for the installation of the irrigation system.

<u>Sunrise Ag FS in Lewistown</u>: Mr. Mark Pedigo of Sunrise Ag FS provided fertilizer for the field.

Mr. Scott Jones of MidWest Grass & Forage in conjunction with <u>Curtis Churchill of</u> <u>Churchill Seed</u>: Together they gave the school a great discount on grass seed and fertilizer.

Helena Fairview: Mr. Blair Mason of Helena also donated fertilizer.

**Mr. Harold Miller, Mr. Rod Miller, and Mr. Mark Miller**: The Millers donated straw to cover the fresh worked dirt and provide protection for the seed.

<u>Mr. Mark Mathis</u>: Mr. Mathis spent numerous hours coordinating resources, spreading fertilizer and fine tuning the field.

**Mr. Don Southerd**: Mr. Southerd spent many hours laboring and assisting in all areas needed.

<u>Mr. Corey Willis</u>: Mr. Willis also generously donated his time and labor assembling pipes for the irrigation system.

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We would also like to recognize the following people for their creativity and hard work in the construction of the **North Fulton Cat's Cave**:

**Dale, Rachel, Nick, Spencer & Zac Hanson:** Dale's vision of the cave started over a year ago. He put his thoughts on paper and that drawing hung on the refrigerator and now has become a reality. If Dale's wife and boys wanted to spend time with him, they had to come help with the cave because Dale was there every night after work and every weekend.

**<u>Rick, Candy & Travis Windsor</u>**: Candy saw Dale's drawing and become excited at the prospect of this project and wanted to be a part of it, so she offered her help. The two of them began to "brainstorm" and the project took off from there. Of course her family figured out quickly that when she became involved, that meant that they did too!

**Chad, Nicholas & Quentin Gilpin**: Chad and the boys helped with the pouring of the cement as well as many other phases of the cave. Whenever they were not busy, they were at the site helping. It was nice to see some of the younger Wildcat supports there as they will be able to tell people years from now that their grandparents and dad helped build this cave. They will one day be able to walk through the cave wearing a North Fulton jersey!

**Doug & Patty Schmidt**: Doug & Patty was a HUGE help with the wiring of the mesh and chicken wire to the re-bar as well as the preparation and painting of the ticket booths inside. Time was starting to wind down and getting closer to the night of the scrimmage so longer hours were spent after work getting things ready.

<u>Chad, Jennifer, Kaeden & Kixon Bowles</u>: The Bowles Family was quite helpful in putting up the chicken wire and preparing the cave to be sprayed with concrete. Chad used his expertise in helping with the electrical wiring of the buildings as well as the flood lights on the outside. A big "THANK YOU" to Chad!

**Jason Willett:** Jason helped the forming of the cave with the r-bar, mesh and chicken wire as well as with the spraying of the cave. He was always there willing to lend a hand whenever Dale needed help. When things went wrong, the joke was that "**Jason did it!**"

<u>Keith Seibel</u>: Keith, who is Dale's boss, was very instrumental in the completing of the cave. He helped with the laying of the blocks as well as the spraying of the cement followed by the spraying of paint to the cave. He even had to come back for an additional spraying of paint because the crew was not satisfied with the color.

Jimmy Dunn: Jimmy worked hard and helped the weekend of the block laying.

**Quick Electric:** Jody Quick donated the supplies for the electrical wiring and lighting of the buildings. A "BIG THANK YOU" to Quick Electric and Jody for your personal time for installing the electrical.

**Stambaugh Excavating:** "THANK YOU" Wyatt Stambaugh for the use of your equipment and time in the digging of the footings for the buildings.

**Corey Probyn:** Corey was available and willing to help whenever he had any extra time. He pitched in on many of the different jobs that it took to complete the cave.

**Tyler Coulter:** Tyler was a big help with the filling in of small places that were missed during the original spraying of the cave. He may have learned a new trade from Dale and will be getting a second job making things out of concrete!

**Paul Bailey:** Paul was ready to lend a hand in using his construction skills by helping to build the roof, as well as the hanging of the windows and doors.

**Jenni Strait:** Jenni learned about wires, wires and more wires. You cannot imagine how much wire was twisted underneath the concrete.

**NF Football players:** Ryan Windsor & Jake Eddington gave their time with the mixing of the cement as well as using their artistic skills in shaping the cave after it was sprayed on.

**NF Cheerleaders**: Alicia Hanson, Makenzie Mayall & Lexi Barnes were put to work with cleanup of the cement as well as the formation of the WILDCAT letters.

**<u>Bill Martindale & Ethan</u>**: Bill and Ethan were put to work the weekend of the pouring of concrete of the footings and the pads for the two buildings.

**<u>Chad, Heidi & Lilli Wilson</u>**: The Wilson Family graciously spent one of their Saturdays helping with the cave.

**<u>Tim Myers</u>**: Tim finally didn't have to work one Sunday so he came out to lend a hand with the mixing of the concrete for spraying.

**Mike & Cody Arnett:** Cody & Mike came out the Sunday after church to help with the laying of the blocks for the two buildings.

<u>Cuba Christian Church</u>: The members of the Cuba Christian Church kindly brought out sandwiches, pasta salad, chips and drinks on the weekend of the spraying of the cement. The food was delicious and really hit the spot as it was a very hot weekend!

We would also like to say "thank you" to all of the people that drove by or stopped by to watch the progress from beginning to end. Each time the volunteers would ask, "do you see the cave?" Many times the response was, "no, I don't see it!" Well, now their response is "yes, we see the cave!"