

## AEEF Golf Outing Summary – July 2019

As we traveled and reported for duty at Phillips Park on July 18, Aurora East Educational Foundation Board members and our many other helpers had serious doubts that the Foundation's biggest fund raiser would go on as scheduled.

But some prayers were answered, the storms gradually ended, and one of the most successful AEEF golf outings proceeded without a hitch after only a slight delay.

For the first time in recent memory, all the foursome slots were filled. Golfers and others who came just for the fellowship seemed to enjoy the day as everyone contributed to the Tomcat cause. As mentioned by many of the participants, it was a "win-win" day of camaraderie and giving back.

Your roving reporter was able to chat with various supporters, and received many welcome comments. Here are a few examples:

"I've always been a supporter of the AEEF, but became a much bigger one after my wife (Kate) became a board member. East is best! 'Strong side' is the new mantra on the sign at the high school." (Aurora Third Ward Alderman Ted Mesiacos, East Aurora grad)

"In my 19 years at the high school, I've seen the AEEF help many clubs. They have helped our students be successful—I would guess the Foundation has given over \$100,000. As an adviser for the African American Honor Society, an AEEF grant allowed me to take students on a tour of historically Black colleges and universities. The students were able to go with basically no cost to them. They give our kids many chances to do things that they couldn't otherwise afford to do." (Master Chief George Allen, District Director of Educational Equity)

"East Aurora is one of the greatest school districts and one of the greatest high schools in Illinois. Anything I can do to help that community, I'm in." (Johnny McCue, East Aurora grad, teacher, and coach)

"I love being on the golf course, and I love supporting this cause. When you can help a cause by doing something you love, that's a win-win. It's fun to see and talk with everyone who comes out." (Robin Renner, East Aurora grad, retired teacher and coach)

"I'm involved in the Luxemberger Club, and we look for things like this to support on the East Side. A lot of Tomcats come to the Club all the time—it's like old time Aurora there. My heart is still with the Tomcats after almost 55 years." (Ron Jakious, 1965 East Aurora grad)

“This is my 19<sup>th</sup> year helping to run the AEEF outing. I just kind of roll the ball out, and have to give kudos to Jeff Schmidt here at Phillips Park Golf Course. He’s fantastic and they do a lot for us. The committee and Foundation board do the bulk of the work. Being with Cordogan and Clark and doing a lot of work in the District, we have all of our contractors. We’re going to bring them on board and get them involved. It’s a concerted effort by everyone.” (Rhonda Mont of Cordogan and Clark, long time “go to” person in running the AEEF outing)

“It’s a good cause and much needed. It gives back to the school district and community.” (Dan Kenyon, East Aurora grad and possibly the biggest individual donor of the day. He generously gave his \$173 winnings from the 50-50 raffle to the Foundation)

“As a member of the Foundation’s Board, I am particularly proud and appreciative of all the hard work by so many individuals to make the outing a success once again.” (Tom Madden, East Aurora grad, former district teacher, coach, and administrator, AEEF Vice Chairperson)

“Many thanks to all of our golfers, sponsors, raffle prize donors, and volunteers for supporting the mission of the AEEF and helping us fund critical programs within the D131 community. Congratulations to our Co-Chairs (Jan Kenyon, Steve Kenyon, and Rhonda Mont) for organizing an amazing day filled with much fellowship, food, fun, golf, drinks, raffles, awards and more.” (Bill J Deligiannis, East Aurora grad, AEEF Chairperson)

A special note of thanks to AEEF Board members Merry Carey, Kate Mesiacos, and Trina Zinzer for weeks of work soliciting and preparing prizes and raffles, and for their work on the day of the outing. Also a special thank you to Tom Ulrich, owner of Sycamore Country Store and Catering. Tom prepared and served our delicious dinner, and also donated a significant portion of his fee to the AEEF.

Thanks to all for making the 2019 outing a tremendous success. We will strive to do more and better in 2020. In Aurora, East is best!

THANK YOU!

Your support and contributions  
to the

18th Annual AEEF

Golf Outing and Fundraising Event

are sincerely appreciated. We invite you to participate again next year.

THANK YOU, SPONSORS and DONORS!

THANK YOU, Volunteers!!

THANK YOU, Phillips Park Golf Course!! THANK YOU, Golfers and Dinner Guests!!

2019 AEEF Golf Outing Committee

CHAIRS: Janet and Stephen Kenyon, Rhonda Mont

Members:

Dan Barreiro

Merry Carey

Bill J. Deligiannis

Lou Hernandez

Tom Madden

Kate Mesiacos

Lisa Morales

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In Remembrance—

Julie Vallejo and

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DINNER: COUNTRY STORE & CATERING  
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DONATIONS AEEF 2019 GOLF OUTING  
ACE HARDWARE AURORA IL—Craftsman Impact Driver Kit  
ADLER PLANETARIUM—4-Museum Entry Passes  
ADVANCE AUTO PARTS—Car Tech & Gift Card  
AIRTASTIC—10 Visit Discount Card  
ALDI, INC. —2-Gift Cards  
ALTITUDE TRAMPOLINE PARK—2 Sets-Tickets (3), Water Bottle, Bag  
AMAZING CAKES—Gift Certificate  
AUTO ZONE—Car Wash Bucket  
AUTO ZONE—1-45 Piece Socket Set  
BENNY'S PLACE—Gift Certificate  
BIG DADDY WATER FUN—Toy Filled Pool  
BLACK DOOR PUB—Gift Card  
BLACKBERRY FARM VILLAGE—2-Family Day Pass for 4  
BLACKBERRY OAKS GOLF COURSE—Foursome with Carts  
BLISS CREEK GOLF COURSE—Foursome with Carts  
CALAMITY JANE'S RESTAURANT—Gift Certificate  
CHICAGO BEARS FOOTBALL—Limited Edition Multiple Autographs Photo  
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CHICAGO CUBS BASEBALL—John Lester Autographed Photo  
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—4-Upper Box Tickets  
CHICAGO SHAKESPEARE ON NAVY PIER THEATER  
2-Tickets to One 2019-2020 Production  
CHICAGO WOLVES 2-Tickets

COLONIAL CAFÉ—Gift Certificate and Kitchen Sink Sundae  
COSTCO—Gift Card  
CRACKER BARREL—Gift Card  
DAIRY QUEEN/MONTGOMERY—20-Free Small Cone Coupons  
DICK'S SPORTING GOODS—Gift Certificate and Discount Coupons  
EAST BANK CLUB—2-Guest Passes, Maxwell's Club Eatery  
EDDIE'S PIZZA—2-Gift Cards  
EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS—Fruit Bouquet  
EGG HARBOR (HAMCO, INC.)—Breakfast or Lunch for 2  
ELI'S CHEESECAKE—Gift Certificate New York Style Cheesecake  
EVELYN'S CUSTOM CREATIONS—Gift Certificate  
FANNIE MAY—2-Chicago Mugs  
FIELD MUSEUM—4-General Admission Passes for 4  
FIRESIDE GRILLE—Gift Card  
FOX VALLEY ORCHESTRA—Tickets (2) and Gift Basket  
FRUITFUL YIELD—Gift Basket  
FUNWAY FAMILY SKATE—3-Family Skating Pass for Four  
GARIO'S PIZZA—2-Gift Certificate  
GENEVA COMMONS—Gift Card  
GILLERSON'S GRUBBERY—Gift Certificate  
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JOFFREY BALLET—2-Nutcracker Tickets  
KCT CREDIT UNION—Insulated Cooler Bag, 2-River Edge Park Tickets, Two Brothers Gift Card  
KENDALL 10—Movie & Concessions for 2  
KRISTINA BRILLA—4-Brookfield Zoo Tickets  
LAGUNITAS BREWING COMPANY—6-Cases Beer  
LANCE ROBINSON—Autographed Photos:  
Vince Carter, Kevin Durant, Jason Kidd,  
Gary Payton, Mark Wahlberg  
LIVIA ITALIAN EATERY—Gift Certificate  
LUIGI'S PIZZA & FUN CENTER—Laser Tag for 6 and Pizza  
MERLIN'S—Full-Service Oil Change  
MICHELLE ULRICH—4-Brookfield Zoo Tickets  
MIKE & DENISE'S PIZZA—16" Thin Crust Pizza  
MQ JEWELRY—Classy, Sassy Bling  
MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ARTS—2-Passes Admit 4  
MUSEUM SCIENCE & INDUSTRY—4-Museum Entry Tickets  
MUSIC & ARTS—Gift Card/Lesson Package  
OBERWEIS DAIRY—Gift Card  
O'MALLEY'S PUB & EATERY—4-Gift Cards  
OPEN RANGE SOUTHWEST GRILL—Gift Card  
ORCHARD VALLEY GOLF COURSE—Foursome with Carts  
O'REILLY'S AUTO PARTS—2- Gift Card  
ORIGAMI OWL JEWELRY/JOSLYN IMTHURN—Gift Certificate  
PARAMOUNT ARTS CENTER—2-Tickets

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THE GROWING PLACE—Gift Card  
THE WURST KITCHEN—2-Gift Cards  
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VOLO AUTO MUSEUM—4-Adult Museum Tickets  
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WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS—Family Fun Pack (4)  
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