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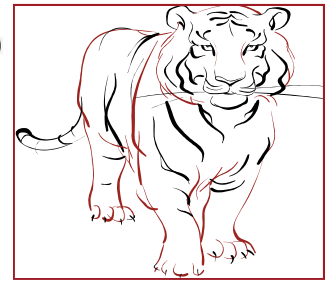
A Message from our Chairman **POSITIVISM PACKS A PUNCH**

Warmer weather is here, the days are longer and our country is moving forward. The Bloomfield Educational Foundation is increasing our efforts to aid the Bloomfield Education System. We refuse to dwell on negatives and will only embrace the positive. Buoyed by the improving tests scores, the ambition of our administrators and the performance of our students, the BEF has instituted new programs, continued to fund the tried and true and forged an even stronger alliance with the backbone of our system, the classroom teachers.

We are asking all of you to experience the satisfaction of seeing the students of today flourish. Join with us to support them by providing "that something extra," that innovative activity not funded by the school budget, that over the top program created by a motivated teacher, that positive punch your donation will produce.

Looking forward to seeing you on April 17th when we "honor the past to benefit the future."

Howard Friedman, Chairman



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Tickets Selling *FAST* for The Living Legends of Coaching Dinner A Silent Auction Added to the Night's Festivities!

Have you ever wanted to meet an NFL Pro-Bowl safety and Super Bowl champion? Have you ever wondered what it would be like to take a tour of the NFL Headquarters or watch a live NFL game with the head officials? If football isn't your sport then maybe you would like to tour Madison Square Garden with NJ Knick great, John Starks. Maybe you want to be more a part of the action. How about a free round of golf for you and two friends with Chairman Emeritus, Joe Kliminski at Bloomfield's own Forest Hill Field Club?

Not into sports? Then maybe an envelope filled with gift certificates from your favorite local restaurants will satisfy your appetite. Or, what about a basket of Bobbie Brown Cosmetics to put a smile on the face of that special lady?

No matter what your interests are, the BLOOMFIELD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION'S Annual Dinner and Silent Auction will have something for everyone. Bloomfield has always had a storied sports history and the BLOOMFIELD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION wants to recognize the coaches who taught our student athletes valuable lessons on the field of play and in the classroom.

On Friday, April 17th, the BLOOMFIELD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION is honoring Bloomfield's *Living Legends of Coaching*. Honorees include:

- Joe Bogusz who coached football from 1955-1961 and led the Bengals to the 1957 State championship.
- James White, coach of the boys' soccer teams and the girls' basketball teams who compiled over 600 combined wins and several State championships in his career.
- Paul Williams, track and field coach for over 30 years who led the undefeated 1968 team to the State championship.
- Peter Wilson, who coached track and field for over ten years and led his team to the 1956 State championship.

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Save-the Date!
***Sunset Classic 5 Mile
Road Race!***
***Thursday, June 25th
7PM at Foley Field***
***Proceeds benefit the
Bloomfield VEST
Program.***

Letters to the Editor

Do you have a story or comment you would like to share?

E-mail us at :
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cationalfoundation.org.**

Please join the BLOOMFIELD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION in recognizing these legendary coaches for their commitment to excellence. The BEF shares that same commitment to excellence and for the past ten years has been working diligently to provide valuable resources to the Bloomfield School System. In that time, the BLOOMFIELD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION has dispersed nearly half a million dollars for continuing education, enrichment programs, equipment and a wide variety of grants and scholarships. By attending this event you are joining our efforts to create a positive influence on our students! The BLOOMFIELD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION is continuing to advance the cause by adding to our programs through funding new grant initiatives for the entire educational system, elementary through high school.

It is during tough times like this that "giving back" takes on a new meaning. There is no better STIMULUS PACKAGE than an investment in our children's future. The BLOOMFIELD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION is a registered 501 (c) 3 organization and your contribution is fully tax deductible. We look forward to seeing you when we "honor the past to benefit the future" on April 17, 2009. To arrange for tickets or if you would like to make a contribution, please contact our Executive Director, Ann Dassing, at 973-403-0032 or info@bloomfieldeducationalfoundation.org. For your convenience, credit cards will be taken the night of the dinner for all purchases.

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*Here is your quarterly newsletter!
See inside for the latest news about
Bloomfield Schools and alumni!*

New Grant Initiative Winners Announced To Support Elementary Schools Needs

Bloomfield Educational Foundation (BEF) Board Chairman, Howard Friedman, on February 9th, announced that the Foundation is pleased to fund six Elementary School grant requests as part of the Theodore Jasieniecki Elementary School Grant Initiative Program to benefit all Bloomfield Elementary Schools.

Madeline Wollner, the Foundation Grant Review Committee Chairperson said, "We received unique proposals from six elementary schools. The grants are matching grants of up to \$2000, and could be used for anything that the schools deemed necessary to inspire and enhance learning. The schools partnered with their Home and School Associations and came up with some wonderful new programs and equipment requests on behalf of the students."

Brookdale School, will receive a grant for a Smart Board for Primary Grades, K-2, to enhance learning through the use of technology. **Carteret School** will receive a grant for programs that support new lap top carts and Smart Boards throughout the school. **Demarest School** will receive money for a program called Fast Track, which is designed to assist and enrich the learning and social experiences of Demarest school students. **Fairview School** will receive a grant for a Character Education program, designed to improve social skills at Fairview School. **Franklin School** will receive a grant for a Read with Me program, designed to motivate reading with first graders. **Watsessing School** will receive a grant for a Family Math & Family Science Night to increase parental involvement of the children in grades 3 and 4.