

Upper Arlington Golden Bears Wrestling

April, 2011

Dear Upper Arlington Wrestlers and families,

The Upper Arlington wrestling program needs your help! After 50 years of constant use by the high school wrestling teams as well as more than a decade of use by the Mat Cubs Youth Wrestling Program, the floor and wall mats are due to be replaced and the wrestling and locker rooms need to be renovated and expanded. We are thrilled to announce that the Upper Arlington School District has agreed to replace all existing floor mats with new, permanent floor mats, which will be installed this summer. In addition, the District has agreed to purchase two new Dollamur competition mats at a total cost of \$45,000.

As a former UA wrestler or family member of a wrestler, we are asking for your help. The cost of replacing the wall mats, column protection, and wrestling and locker room renovations has fallen to the Wrestling Boosters. This equates to roughly \$50,000, a sum which is beyond the scope of the UA Wrestling Boosters, but not beyond its determination to make these important improvements! The Upper Arlington Wrestling Boosters is committed to improving the conditions in which our wrestlers practice their craft, but we cannot do it without your support.

There have been virtually no significant improvements to the wrestling or locker rooms since they were originally built in 1960. In particular, the condition of the wrestling room has deteriorated over the last five decades; the paint is peeling, airflow is limited and both the wrestling and locker rooms are in general disrepair. In its current configuration, the wrestling room has become too small to safely accommodate all the wrestlers. Practice time is wasted as wrestlers take turns using the mat space.

We are offering the following sponsorship opportunities for your tax-deductible contribution:

<i>\$25,000 and up</i>	<i>Naming Rights to the Wrestling Room</i>
<i>\$1000 and up</i>	<i>“State Champion” Sponsor</i>
<i>\$500 - \$999</i>	<i>“District Champion” Sponsor</i>
<i>\$250 - \$499</i>	<i>“Sectional Champion” Sponsor</i>
<i>\$100 - \$249</i>	<i>“Friend of the Wrestling Team” Sponsor</i>

Donors at the State, District and Sectional Champion levels will have their name engraved on a brass plaque and placed in the appropriate category on our Donor Board. The Donor Board will be hung permanently in the wrestling room next to the board displaying the historical accomplishments of alumni wrestlers. “Friend of the Wrestling Team” donors will be listed in the program distributed at the end of the season banquet. Please know that we greatly appreciate any amount you can give, even if it is outside the above categories.

4 OHSAA State
Champions

34 OHSAA State Placers

112 OHSAA State
Qualifiers

17 League
Championships

7 Sectional/
District Championships

6 District/
Regional
Championships

7 Top 10 OHSAA Team
Finishes

1 NCAA Division 1
Champion

4 NCAA Division 1 All-
Americans

13 NCAA Division 1
Qualifiers



We know we have a daunting task ahead of us, but we also know that wrestlers are a resolute lot; they don't back down from a challenge, whether on or off the mat. We hope to have the funds raised by the end of May this year so we can coordinate any renovations with the installation of the floor mats.

Thank you for helping us improve the wrestling experience for UA wrestlers for many years to come. Please contact Marie Hennessey, Treasurer of the Wrestling Boosters, at tmhennessey@sbcglobal.net, or Mary Pitman, Captain's Parent, at nolefan1256@aol.com, with any questions. Go Bears!

Upper Arlington Wrestling Boosters

Donation Information

Make checks payable to: UA Athletic Boosters (add "UA Wrestling Room" on the memo line) and send check along with this form in the included self-addressed envelope. Thank you!

Name (as you want it posted on the Donor Board or in the Program):

If a tax receipt is desired, please add your address below:
