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The Foundation's Charity Luncheon will be held this Sunday, February 24th at Texas Roadhouse in Montgomeryville. Just \$25 buys an all-you-can eat sampling of their delicious offerings. There are still tickets remaining to this popular event and urge everyone to attend.

Trustees are also hard at work preparing for the Cinco De Mayo Silent Auction & Fiesta which will be held on May 5th. Solicitation letters have been sent to local businesses asking for support as sponsors or auction item donors. Over the next few weeks, invitations will also be sent. We hope to raise upwards of \$15,000. Also this year, the Foundation will be recognizing individuals who have supported the Foundation and North Penn students through the years. Those to be honored at the gala are Dan Reavy from the Verizon Foundation, alumnus Jim Finnemeyer and educators Steve Frederick and the entire NPSD Technology and Engineering Education Department.

A financial review was recently conducted of the Foundation by an external auditor. The Foundation's treasurer Jack Hoy said no problems were found. An audit or a review is conducted annually.

I am very happy to announce that the Foundation now has a Facebook presence. Launched last week, it is the place to go for Foundation news, events and other interesting educational topics. I encourage everyone to like the page so that you can keep up to date.

And I've saved the best for last. Two individual, private donations came in over the last few weeks to support special education. The first is from former NPSD parents who are funding assistive technology for special education students at the elementary level to the tune of \$2,400. This is the second year in a row that this family has generously given to the Foundation. And the big news is that the anonymous donor who funded \$50,000 for an inclusion specialist at Gwyn-Nor Elementary School has committed another \$50,000 for the 2013-2014 school year. This money will be used to continue the work of the inclusion specialist at the Penndale Middle School. Thank you to these two special donors but to everyone who supports the Foundation.

If you have any questions about the Foundation you can contact Christine Liberaski at the ESC.