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Madeira Schools Foundation Holds Annual Auction

The Madeira Schools Foundation (MSF) was created in 1984 when a group of enthusiastic parent and community member volunteers gathered to make Madeira High School's dream of an outdoor track a reality. After the success of the outdoor track project, the group recognized the need to continue to assist the district and continued to raise funds to upholster MHS's Medert Auditorium chairs, purchase playground equipment, and install a portable sound system for district wide use.

By August of that year MSF was approved as a non-profit, tax-exempt corporation designed to provide supplemental funding to Madeira City Schools for extras not covered in school funding.

Several years later the MSF trustees held an event, "The Grand Finale," featuring dinner, a live band, and raffles. Thus the Madeira Schools Foundation Auction was born, and has been held every year since – turning into the organization's primary source for fundraising. Today the MSF has raised over \$2 million thanks to the annual auction, and other events including a golf classic and Bourbon & BBQ fundraiser. Proceeds have been used to fund scholarships, purchase computer hardware and software, update athletic facilities, sponsor the MHS Day of Service, support the theatre arts program, and provide many extras for Madeira students.

This year's auction will be held Saturday, March 11 from 6-10 PM at St. Gertrude's Parish Center. The theme is a disco "Auction Night Fever" and proceeds will raise funds for innovation in technology and scholarships for graduating Seniors. The event features dinner by the bite, an open bar, live music and a live auction. Sponsorships are available now and online bidding will begin soon at madeiraschoolsfoundation.org.