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NEF Texas Hold ‘Em Tournament Fundraiser to Benefit Newburyport Public Schools
Individual Seats and Corporate-Sponsored Tables Available for No-Limit Event

NEWBURYPORT, Mass: The Newburyport Education Foundation (NEF) announced a Texas Hold ‘Em Poker Tournament fundraiser to be held Friday, February 11 to benefit the Newburyport Public Schools. The public is invited and sponsorship opportunities are available.

“This is a new event for the NEF and we hope to reach new supporters in the greater Newburyport community and make it a big success,” said Mark Wright, NEF President. “The goal of the NEF is to bring philanthropy into the Newburyport Public Schools and enhance the quality of education throughout the system. The funds raised from this tournament will help us continue in this mission.”

The top 10 players will receive prizes. A raffle and auction will also be held. The tournament will offer a cash bar and Oregano Pizzeria & Ristorante will be providing complimentary food. All proceeds benefit the Newburyport Public Schools. The NEF Texas Hold ‘Em Poker Tournament will be held at 7 pm on Friday, February 11 at the Masonic Hall at 31 Green Street, Newburyport. This is a no-limit event, and there are no re-buys. The cost to participate is \$100, and anyone who enters before January 31 will receive a \$25 gift certificate to Oregano Pizzeria & Ristorante located at 16 Pleasant Street in Newburyport.

Individual tickets and sponsored tables can be purchased online at www.NewburyportEF.org, or in person at Oregano Pizzeria & Ristorante, 16 Pleasant Street, Newburyport. For more information or questions, email info@NewburyportEF.org.

Oregano is the lead sponsor of the event and other sponsorship opportunities are available. Please contact event organizers Jay Iannini at jiannini@NewburyportEF.org and Jeff Gray at jgray@NewburyportEF.org for sponsorship information.

The NEF Texas Hold ‘Em Poker Tournament is supported by the Greater Newburyport Benevolence Foundation (GNBF). Previous fundraising events hosted by the GNBF have supported the Pettingill House (Salisbury, MA) and the Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center (Newburyport, MA). By hosting the upcoming poker tournament, the GNBF directly contributes to the NEF’s mission of enhancing the quality of public education throughout the Newburyport Public School system.

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About the Newburyport Education Foundation (NEF) The Mission of the Newburyport Education Foundation is to bring philanthropy into the Newburyport Public Schools and generate financial resources that will enhance the quality of public education throughout the school system. Formed to enhance educational opportunities for the city’s public school children, the goal of the Newburyport Education Foundation is to supplement funding for programs which are already supported by public financing at a basic level, but which can be substantially improved by additional private sector financing, and to finance programs that might not receive funding from traditional sources such as the district budget or state aid.