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Erie gives supports Partnership for Erie’s Public Schools

The Partnership for Erie’s Public Schools received more than $4,500 in donations from the recent Erie Goes event hosted by the Erie Community Foundation. From left are Aniet-Munz, partnership board treasurer; Deb Anastagina, partnership board vice president; Saria Delis, partnership coordinator; and Larry Tiberi, partnership board president. Erie Gives raised more than $1.7 million for 322 nonprofits and 4,869 donors participated.

Barber Institute receives gift from Hardner Foundation

The Herbert H. Hardner Foundation recently donated $15,000 to the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Foundation for technology enhancements at Elizabeth Lee Black School. With the grant, the school purchased 15 new iPads, along with equipment and applications. Students Dress Walker, second from left, and Robbins Stratton demonstrated the new iPads for Rebecca Haverly, left, a member of the board of directors at the Hardner Foundation; Maureen Barber-Carey, executive vice president at the Barber National Institute; and Gary Babewski, vice president for advancement at the Barber National Institute. The donation supported the Barber National Institute’s Technological and Research Initiative, one of the main goals of the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber $1,000,000 Grant, the school purchased 15 new iPads, along with equipment and applications. Students Dress Walker, second from left, and Robbins Stratton demonstrated the new iPads for Rebecca Haverly, left, a member of the board of directors at the Hardner Foundation; Maureen Barber-Carey, executive vice president at the Barber National Institute; and Gary Babewski, vice president for advancement at the Barber National Institute. The donation supported the Barber National Institute’s Technological and Research Initiative, one of the main goals of the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber $1,000,000 Grant, the school purchased 15 new iPads, along with equipment and applications. Students Dress Walker, second from left, and Robbins Stratton demonstrated the new iPads for Rebecca Haverly, left, a member of the board of directors at the Hardner Foundation; Maureen Barber-Carey, executive vice president at the Barber National Institute; and Gary Babewski, vice president for advancement at the Barber National Institute. The donation supported the Barber National Institute’s Technological and Research Initiative, one of the main goals of the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber $1,000,000 Challenge.

Edinboro University cheerleaders

All former Edinboro University of Pennsylvania- ma cheerleaders are invited to join in the Edin- borohomecomingParadeonOct.5inEdinboro. Cheerleaders, including the current squad of cheerleaders at the university, will lead the parade starting at 10 a.m. Those interested in taking part in the parade can contact the current coach, Gage Pratt, at gpratt@ed.edu.

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Bob “Dart” Dartnell, left, and Bill Kern recently organized the Bill and Bob Festival, which included live music by local musicians, and raised money for StringsforaCure through sponsorships from PSB Industries and the Sportsmen’s Athletic Club as well as private donations made during the event. Dartnell and Kern presented a check to Elisa Guida, founder of StringsforaCure, at the Sportsmen’s Athletic Club. StringsforaCure provides education, comfort, support and financial assistance to breast cancer patients, primarily those with breast cancer.