



News Release

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Mark Munsell Memorial Foundation releases 2007 in review and fundraising details.

ST. LOUIS, MO, December 11, 2007: **Mark Munsell Memorial Foundation**, local youth charity and Missouri non profit, issued a press release today announcing details of 2007 activities and the its upcoming annual fundraising gala, the 5th annual New Years Eve Event.

Trish Munsell, President of the Mark Munsell Memorial foundation commented, “This year has been a monumental one for the Foundation. We made the commitment to partner with St. Louis’ Animal House Fund in revitalizing Ellendale Park, where the Foundation will assist in financing the development of a recreation program and ball field design. The endowment of the Mark Munsell Memorial Scholarship at Southeast Missouri State has been finalized, and has benefited our first recipient, Salim Powell, in the fall of 2007. We are very excited about all the progress made in 2007 and look forward to a promising 2008.”

Other successes of the Foundation in 2007 include:

- First annual “Muncie Hustle” Award & Scholarship granted to Bart English of Wentzville, he took a \$1,000 scholarship to Maplewood Community College this past fall.
- St. Peters Junior Bulldog Football League received a \$2,500 grant for uniforms.
- TASK (Team Advocates for Special Kids) received a \$2,500 grant for a new baseball program and had 50 kids attend a Cardinal’s game in April.
- Youth in Need, recipient of our Winter Equipment drive; over 100 pieces of sporting equipment were delivered to Youth in Need’s St. Charles headquarters, also sent 50 kids to a Cardinal’s game in April.
- Columbia, Illinois Kourey League received new uniforms for their little league baseball team.
- Individual grants, children who applied for and received tuition to attend various St. Louis sports camps.

The Mark Munsell Memorial Foundation raises money through two major fundraisers a year, the Muncie Classic Golf Tournament and the annual New Years Eve Event. This year’s Muncie Classic was a huge success, held at the Falls Golf Course in O’Fallon, MO.

We are excited to announce our 5th annual New Years Eve Event, to be held at the Edward Jones Dome on 12/31/07. Music and entertainment will be provided by Glorious Blue, other entertainment includes games on the Dome floor and psychic readings by Lisa Pini and silent auction. We will provide delicious food from Levy restaurants and have 10 open bars available for our guests in the private suites of the Dome. Tickets are \$100 and available on our website, www.mmmem.com or by calling 314-645-8444.

About the Mark Munsell Memorial Foundation

The **Mark Munsell Memorial Foundation** rallies the St. Louis community together, allows everyone the opportunity to help children have a brighter future. The Foundation works to nurture children through various avenues; sponsoring area scholarships, under funded programs and giving children access to sporting events, equipment, camps and services that they would not otherwise have. The Foundation's ultimate goal to one day build a ball park where all children can play, regardless of their economic or athletic background is now in sight. In the Spring of 2007, the Foundation finalized a plan with the Animal House Fund and Ellendale Neighborhood Association to develop a park in the city of St. Louis.

More information about the Mark Munsell Memorial Foundation can be found on the website www.mmmem.com.