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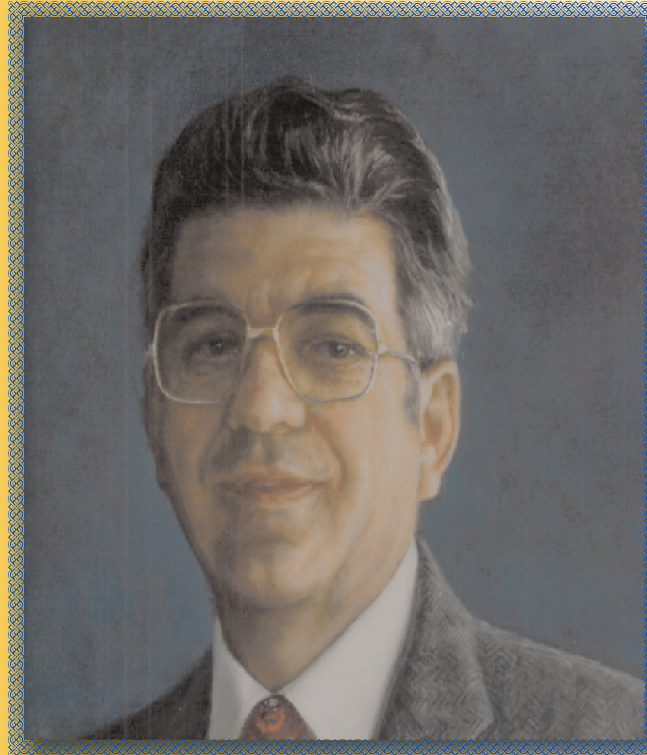
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batting cage, winches, and misc. equipment  
Cabanna Banners - Banner Supplier

~Donald A. Kitko~



Donald A. Kitko (1928-1996) was an avid and dedicated supporter of the Glendale School District and the district's athletic programs. Mr. Kitko provided generous support and backing for athletics and specifically basketball and football. In addition, he served for 25 years as president of the Quarterback Club.

Tonight's re-dedication ceremony honors his legacy, spirit, and leadership as a volunteer and friend of the Glendale School District. Our renovated gymnasium is "*dedicated with the utmost gratitude and appreciation for his unwavering support of the students of the Glendale School District*".

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The Re-Dedication  
of the  
*Donald A. Kitko*  
*Memorial Gymnasium*



January 19, 2012

*"Turning Around"*

# Glendale Junior-Senior High School

## Donald A. Kitko Memorial Gymnasium Re-Dedication Program

January 19, 2012

Welcome.....Gary Walstrom  
Jr.-Sr. High School Principal

Presentation of the Colors.....Coalport VFW  
Richard L. Beers Post #7043

Alma Mater.....Band Ensemble  
Brian Stacey-Director

Opening Remarks.....Dr. Andy Mulhollen  
President, Board of Education

Recognition & Appreciation of Fall Indoor Sports  
teams and parents.....Rick Holes  
Ron Jasper  
Athletic Committee of the Board of Education

Recognition of Staff Efforts.....Arnold Nadonley  
Superintendent

“Turning Around” Video.....Larry Putorek

National Anthem.....Chorus Ensemble  
Larry Putorek-Director

Ribbon Cutting.....Board of Education  
Members of the Donald A. Kitko Family  
Sports Team Captains  
Administration and Staff  
Invited Guests

## ~ Project History and Scope ~

The *Donald A. Kitko Memorial Gymnasium* renovation as we see it today evolved after repairs to the wood floor could not be completed due to issues with the underlying concrete.

In May of 2011, the Board of School Directors authorized a \$32,700 repair to remove and replace a warped 19 foot by 90 foot center section of the gymnasium floor. The district saw this as an appropriate solution under the current economy and state budget situation in education with the project being completed prior to the students returning in August of 2011.

Upon removal of the center section of the wood floor, it was discovered that at least 5 of the 35 sections of concrete were severely cracked and had heaved up more than 2 inches. HHS DR, the district’s architects and engineers, recommended soil testing at this point since the building was built on pyritic and expansive shale which, if at a high concentration, can cause strong upward lifting forces. Extensive expert testing was performed and fortunately the results indicated extremely low expansion rates. Had the soil been highly expansive and concentrated with pyrite, the repairs would have topped 1.3 million dollars due to extensive excavation and sealing of the soil.

Further investigation into the cause of the lifting concrete was traced to improper installation of 5 volleyball inserts during the 1997 renovation project. Here, the original maple floor was replaced with a lower grade birch floor as a result of water damage during the roof replacement process. In addition, the 1997 birch floor was improperly installed by a now defunct contractor who did not adhere to any of the industry standards at that time.

During the Summer of 2011, the Board of School Directors authorized the administration and architects to begin developing plans to make necessary repairs, develop a project budget, and to notify the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) that part of our building would be closed due for emergency repairs.

The PDE emergency closure procedure allowed the district to “fast-track” the project by not having to “publicly” advertise for bids in newspapers. This process would have required the district to advertise at least three times over a three week period for each contractor for work that is done over \$10,000 under current law. Competitive sealed bids were solicited under the emergency closure by the district that followed detailed architectural and engineering specifications. In addition, the wood floor, bleachers, batting cage, and divider curtain were purchased through the state’s “Co-Stars” program to save time and advertising costs.

The seven month construction process was tedious, detailed, and deliberate. Not only was the construction process much like assembling a large puzzle, other issues factored in to the process and required time and patience. For example, in order for warranties to be honored, the concrete had to meet certain moisture levels before the wood floor could be installed, building codes had to be met and inspections occurred regularly while many had to “excuse the temporary inconvenience for permanent improvements”.

### Quick Facts:

- The project budget was established at \$483,000 with no tax increase.
- The new wood floor is a Bird’s Eye Maple “scissor locking system” that has a humidity sensor with humidity control fans under the bleachers to regulate humidity, expansion, and contraction. Expansion joints are visible every 15 boards. Floor painting and finishing did not increase the cost and the floor system was purchased through the state “Co-Stars Program”.
- The telescopic new bleachers were purchased through the state “Co-Stars Program” and they now meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). In addition, the bleachers are motorized to reduce injuries and to have more seating capacity than the previous bleachers. The seating colors and lettering were at no additional cost.
- A new remote control batting cage was added along with new backboard winches and a drop down divider curtain. All were purchased through the state “Co-Stars Program”.
- Multiple bids and quotes were solicited for new sound panels, end wall panels, and banners to improve sound quality and aesthetics.
- Air Conditioning is currently being installed to control the humidity along with new blue insulated “duct socks” that replaced the old non-insulated metal duct work. The previous metal duct work was susceptible to damage from athletics and physical education classes and moisture could build up in the un-insulated duct work thus causing damage to the new floor. The gym is one of the few remaining areas of the campus not air conditioned.
- Bids are currently being solicited for a new sound system as a change order.
- The project came in under budget at approximately \$440,000.