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# TIMFI INF On the heels of a successful fourth gurter in 2016, we entered 2017 full-steam ahead. The Founders Phase of the ampaign ended with \$1.5+ raised n pledges and private donations. GVCO selected Malvern based Arcus Design Group as architectural partner. A press release was picked up by several local news agencies. Social media followers topped 2000. Arcus Design completed schematic design work. IMC Construction put plans out for bid.

East Whiteland Township granted perliminary final approval to the project.



GV residents outside of GVCO. Land purchase scheduled to be completed in 2018

#### Dear GVCO Supporters,

With each day that passes, we are one step closer to our new GVCO Community Center becoming a reality! When we finally embarked on this endeavor to bring a community center to Great Valley back in late 2013, I underestimated how much time and effort would be put into the project. We are lucky to have an extraordinary group of community volunteers and community-minded area businesses and corporations plus the approval of the school district to assist us in delivering the project. Despite the astonishing amount of work, it has been incredibly rewarding to watch the community collaborate and cooperate to bring this much needed asset to the Great Valley area.

Following the feasibility study that we commissioned in 2014, the first thing we tackled was to develop a solid business plan. This detailed plan shows that if we build it, they will come... and they will stay. The new center will be sustainable for decades to come. It will be a multigenerational facility that families can grow up in: enjoy sports and music and art as kids, come together with friends as teens and young adults, and bring their own kids and grandkids back decades in the future.

We are so excited – when we get 40,000 square feet of space! – to offer all sorts of new programming. And over the past two years, we have built and maintained the administrative infrastructure necessary to add and support this programming. We're continuing to explore strategic "partnerships" with local organizations (both non-profit and business) who share our goals: to provide unique programming not currently available in the district, and to make the lives of us Great Valley-ites even better!

It's been a long road to get here, but the hard work, dedication and unbelievable community support continues to pay off. As we move forward in 2018, to secure the necessary funding to begin construction on the new facility, we ask you, our dedicated and faithful supporters: tell your friends, share our exciting news, and help us get more names on our donor wall! We know who GVCO is and what we are trying to accomplish – now let's spread the word.

Thanks to all of your generosity, 2018 is poised to be a phenomenal year for the community!

Keith Walsh GVCO Executive Director

#### Dear GVCO Friends,

2017 has been quite a year! From hurricanes to forest fires, Harvey Weinstein to #MeToo, and tragedies that revealed everyday heroes, I have come to see the genuine results that occur when people band together for a common good. The Great Valley Community Center is exactly that: people doing good for the greater good, and our expanding programming and partnerships will strengthen this philosophy. Our goal is to offer inclusivity for all and create an environment where you get to know your neighbors and develop friendships.

GVCO is so fortunate to have wonderfully dedicated volunteers and supporters, and I want to personally thank you for all that you do. You are true community assets that understand the benefits of GVCO. Because of our volunteers' hard work and your generous donations this year, we have made great strides in our development plans for the new center.

As we enter into 2018 I ask that you offer continued support and spread the word about GVCO's future.

We simply can't do it without you.

Warmest regards,

Cindy Thompson GVCO Campaign Chair

# Our Future starts NOW... let's build it together

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- COMMUNICATE OUR PROGRESS

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# UPDATED RENDERINGS







We offer a Challenger Gym program at GVBL for local kids with special needs. A great opportunity for kids and families to connect.



We support local families in need. Recently, our student-run Caring Hands Foundation raised \$3,000 for a Malvern family who lost their home in a fire.



We support other local non-profits, PTOs and small businesses. From providing space for fundraising events to sharing information on social media, GVCO happily lends a helping hand.



We provide volunteer opportunities and internships for Great Valley High School students. A valuable learning experince and a fantastic addition to a college resume!



#### What lies ahead? The possibilities are endless! We will expand to offer activities for seniors, education and awareness programming, fitness, tutoring, performing arts and much more!

## QUARTERLY UPDATE

### DONOR SPOTLIGHTS





#### Beth Fuhr

Having lived in Paoli for almost 50 years, Beth has a unique perspective. What she loves about Great Valley is the community and that's what has her so excited about the new GVCO center. Beth immediately felt the strong sense of community when she walked in the doors of GVBL to watch her grandson play. She loves the "energy" of GVBL and seeing all the kids on the sidelines dribbling balls and watching and cheering on their friends. Beth has enjoyed meeting other grandparents and parents and seeing the connectedness among the generations. In her opinion GVCO is providing a "village" that is so important for families. When Beth heard about the extensive plans and expanded programming that the new Center will provide, she was excited to donate to the campaign and thrilled to be supporting Great Valley's future generations. This is Beth's home, the friends she has made here have become her family and she is proud to add her name to the list of GVCO supporters. According to Beth, "The new center will bring the Great Valley community together...and I am happy to be a part of that community building energy."



#### Marty and James McKay

"To be frank," says James McKay, "I was skeptical" about the new center at first. James admits he is cautious and reserved, but those who know him well recognize that this quiet demeanor is due to his thoughtfulness, kindness and generosity. And his wife Marty – if you sit next to her at a basketball or soccer or baseball game – will have you doubled over with laughter. The McKays first became involved with GVC0 through winter GVBL, when James coached his two boys, Nathanael and Seth, in the rec program. Marty was always the team mom, called each boy "Honey," and liberally doled out money to the players for the snack bar. What the McKays love about GVBL is what they know will be present at the new center: community. Seeing kids, parents and grandparents coming together and being active together is the vision that they support. Though James was initially skeptical, he is "thrilled I was so very wrong, and we are glad to help make it happen." Marty and James "tip our hats to the visionaries that saw this through."



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# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW Building Connections Campaign expeditures through December 2017



#### Linda and Dennis Zatlin

We're ALL IN." says the Zatlin Family - one of the first and most vocal supporters of the new GVCO center. The new center "screams community...we see grandparents watching their grandkids play, the inclusion of all and the potential for amazing growth. GVCO is a place beyond school that is so unique." and Dennis and Linda Zatlin see the new center as an integral part of Great Valley's future. The Zatlins moved to Malvern in 2007. What they found here and what has kept them here is the Great Valley community. The Zatlins credit GVCO and its amazingly warm and caring families with making Great Valley their permanent home. For Dennis. "It's all about the community...GVCO's volunteers give so much time and effort and they are what makes it work."



#### Michelle and Jeff Liebsman

Michelle and Jeff moved to Malvern in 1999. They love Malvern and are here to stay and because of that, they feel a personal stake in making sure the place we all call home continues to thrive. Like many, one of their first introductions to GVCO was basketball for their son, Brian. It soon turned into more than that when their kids were attending dances at Bacton Hill and participating in volunteer projects. According to Michelle, beyond the programming was the truly papable sense of community they felt every time they walked in the doors. They love the fact that GVC0 is volunteer-driven and admire the people who not only had the vision but devoted so much time and energy to make it a reality. "GVCO turns neighbors into friends. A community center anchors people. We are an energized, vibrant and growing community. We are looking forward to a new GVCO Community Center. It was easy for us to get behind the project and want our family to be a part of it."



#### Pam and Dave Moules

Pam and Dave have loved living in Malvern and are strong vocal supporters of our new community center. Their first experience with GVCO was when their youngest son participated in Junior Hoopsters. They immediately were drawn in by the "fun and easy league" that is GVBL. What struck the Moules family as the came to know many of the founders of GVCO was that "[GVCO's founders] commitment to this community comes from a genuine desire to leave this a better place than they found it." GVC0's commitment to the families in our area rings especially true for Pam and Dave, who tragically lost their son, Jonathan, almost four years ago when he was just 22. When Pam and Dave decided to start a foundation in Jonathan's honor, "GVCO was there to support us." Pam and Dave are looking forward to this continued partnership when GVCO's new center opens. Pam believes the center "will offer our entire community a top-notch place for recreation, arts, educational programming and a variety of wellness resources. I think they have the needs of the community at heart and I am excited about all of it."



### **OUR DONORS**

#### Donors as of 12/31/17.

#### **Community Champion** \$250,000+ The Zatlin Family

#### **Community Mentor** \$100,000 - \$249,999

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