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John Carroll High School Breaks Ground on New Field House

Fort Pierce, FL – August 19, 2024 – John Carroll High School hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for its highly anticipated Athletic Field House. This state-of-the-art facility will be a hub for athletic excellence, providing students with a premier space for sports, events, and activities.

The ceremony featured remarks from distinguished guests, including President Corey Heroux, Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Mickey Groody, and a special blessing from Father Richard George, Pastor St. Anastasia Catholic Church. Their presence underscores the importance of this project to the school and the broader community.

Special Guests:

- Corey Heroux, President, John Carroll High School, JCHS Alumni
- Michael Bryk, Principal, John Carroll High School, JCHS Alumni
- Mickey Groody, Athletic Director, John Carroll High School
- Fr. Richard E. George II, Pastor St. Anastasia Catholic Church
- Dana Trabulsy, State Representative, District 84
- Jeremiah Johnson, Ft. Pierce City Commissioner, District 2, JCHS Alumni
- Doug Davis, CEO of Richard K. Davis Construction
- Roger Priest, President of Richard K. Davis Construction
- Darren Guettler, JCHS Alumni, Trusted Advisor, and Building and Grounds Committee Member
- Ben and Leslie Guettler, JCHS Alumni, and Guettler Brothers Construction

Honored Donors:

- **The Pottorff and Drawdy Families**, whose initial promise and contribution of concrete helped kickstart this project.
- **Hank and Jenny Fee, Dr. Denise Pieczynski and Dr. Jeff Brown, Sheryll and Greg Thogerson, and John and Lee Moore**, whose generous contributions have been instrumental in making this project a reality.
- **Roger Priest and Darren Guettler**, recognized for their unwavering support, expert guidance, and commitment to the school's vision.
- **All other JCHS donors and supporters**, whose philanthropic efforts have greatly benefited the John Carroll High School community.

John Carroll High School President Corey Heroux expressed gratitude for the overwhelming support, stating, “This Athletic Field House represents a significant milestone for our school. It is a testament to the dedication and generosity of our friends, alumni, and families. We are excited to see the positive impact it will have on our students and school community.”

Principal Michael Bryk expressed his enthusiasm, saying, “The new Athletic Field House is a dream come true for John Carroll High School. It will enhance our athletic programs and provide a versatile space for our students. We are deeply grateful to everyone who has supported this project.”

Athletic Director Mickey Groody added, “We are excited to break ground on our new Athletic Field House, a state-of-the-art facility that will provide our athletes with the resources they need to excel both on and off the field. This project represents our commitment to fostering a supportive and dynamic environment for our student-athletes, and we are eager to see its impact. Thank you to everyone who has supported this initiative and helped realize this vision.”

The new Field House will feature a weight room, practice turf, a “Hall of Champions” entry, bathrooms, concessions, and a ticketing window. These facilities will enhance the school’s athletic programs and provide a state-of-the-art space for various events and activities.

For more information, as well as sponsorship opportunities, please contact Jessica Krueger, Director of Advancement, at 772-464-5200 or jkrueger@johncarrollhigh.com

About John Carroll High School: John Carroll High School is dedicated to fostering academic excellence, athletic achievement, and community involvement in the Catholic tradition. With a rich history of 60 years, the school continues to provide students with the tools and opportunities to succeed in all areas of life.

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