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## **Softball Charity Event & BUFFETT NIGHT set for this summer at Eastwood Field**

The Hope Foundation of the Mahoning Valley & the Mahoning Valley Scrappers proudly presents the "SOFTBALL GAME OF HOPE & BUFFETT NIGHT." The Softball Game of Hope (SGOH) is a community leader/celebrity softball game that will benefit and support chronically/terminally ill children in the Mahoning Valley, so that they may have the experiences generally afforded healthy children. Furthermore, you can come out and listen to your favorite Jimmy Buffet tunes with "Fins to the Left" to perform that night.

These events will take place on Saturday, August 1 inside Eastwood Field (Niles, OH). Teams will be comprised of local leaders and community volunteers from both the Mahoning and Trumbull counties to face off against each other; Mahoning vs. Trumbull County. First-Pitch is slated for 4:00 p.m. and following the charity event, the Mahoning Valley Scrappers (Class A, Short Season Indians' affiliate) will play the Batavia Muckdogs (a St. Louis Cardinals affiliate) at 7:05pm. Tickets are \$7 for both games with a \$3 donation going to the cause.

Over the past five years, the basketball and softball games of hope, which are charity events held at YSU & Eastwood Field, have donated over \$25,000 to charities. We now hope to continue the tradition on the softball diamond again. Donations are now being accepted!

Additional activities planned include the Dizzy Bat Race and visits by a variety of mascots for the families to enjoy. The website includes players participating, how to donate, ticket information as well as updated news regarding the game.

The Hope Foundation of the Mahoning Valley's mission is the furtherance of charitable and financial support and volunteer services to and for chronically and/or terminally ill children on a local and regional level. More info can be found at [www.hopemv.org](http://www.hopemv.org).

**Corporate sponsors for this event include television stations 27 First News/FOX Youngstown & WYTV-MyYTV, radio stations 93.3 "The Wolf," 1390 WNIO & News Radio 570 WKBN, High Point Tavern Restaurant, and UAW Local 1714 & 1112 from GM-Lordstown.**