

## **Press Release July 16, 2008**

The Chautauqua Multi-Use Organizing Committee, in conjunction with the Mattison Group, has mailed out over 75 packets to area community and business leaders as well as elected officials. All who received packets will be called by committee members intending to schedule interviews with Dr. John Earshen. The printing was professionally done by local company Copy Boy, with special efforts by Kevin Persch.

Mr. Earshen and his company was hired to conduct a Fundraising Study for the group to gauge the community's level of interest, and the ability to financially support, a new sports complex for Northern Chautauqua County. The interviews should be completed by mid-August and Dr. Earshen will report his findings at the group's September monthly meeting.

At their July 9 meeting, the group welcomed Dunkirk School Superintendent Gary Cerne. Mr. Cerne said he was "highly supportive" of the group's effort to build a new facility but cannot commit Dunkirk Schools to be a key user of the project until building issues are resolved in his school district. For the August 13 meeting, Fredonia Superintendent will be an invited guest.

The group plans to have a table at the upcoming Fredonia Farm Festival, scheduled for August 22-24. Brochures will be handed out and questions will be answered by committee members.

The group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at the JCC North Training and Conference Center. If you would like more information, or would like to join the Board, please check out the group's web site at [www.cmusf.com](http://www.cmusf.com) or contact President Don Horton, at 640-7457 or [dhorton625@roadrunner.com](mailto:dhorton625@roadrunner.com).