

Service Snapshots



Big Steps to Stop Skin Cancer

On Sunday, May 19, the Carle Place Middle/High School Builders Club participated in the Colette Coyne Melanoma Awareness Campaign's 15th annual Miles for Melanoma, Steps to Stop Skin Cancer 5K Run/Walk at Eisenhower Park. The students raised over \$250 in support of melanoma awareness, prevention and treatment by walking more than three miles.

It was yet another busy year for the Builders Club, as they participated in walks to promote awareness, research and treatment for autism and breast cancer, conducted a Kindness Kampaign and served as an inspiration for others to better their community.



Cherry Lane Walks for JDRF

Students at Cherry Lane School once again marched around their school in support of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Now in its 24th year, the school's walk raises money for Type 1 diabetes research and advocacy. This year, Cherry Lane raised \$2,377!

Parents provided donations on behalf of their children, who sold them paper JDRF sneakers as a symbolic pledge to walk laps around the building alongside their teachers and classmates. The students' names appeared on these shoes, which were displayed throughout the halls of Cherry Lane. This year's top fundraisers by grade level were Anthony D'Alessandro (K), Victoria Monteforte (grade 1) and Gabriella Penn (grade 2). Joseph Schmitt (grade 2) received honorary mention for raising a significant amount, as well.

Key Supporters

The Carle Place Key Club hosted their 10th annual Student-Teacher Fashion Show. More than 80 Key Club members and teachers participated, as models donned slick wardrobes, with all of the proceeds from the show donated to the Amputee Coalition, based on the involvement of graduate Caleb Giordano (Class of 2016) and senior Gracie Giordano in the organization. The amazing turnout allowed this year's fashion show to raise \$7,000 for the coalition.

The Key Club followed this less than a month later by cooking dinner for over 90



guests at the Ronald McDonald House, which assists families whose children are being provided medical care at Cohen Children's Medical Center. Great job!

Rushmore Takes a Swing at ALS

Students and staff at Rushmore Avenue School assembled in front of the school to welcome Ride for Life founder Chris Pendergast during his 22nd annual Ride for Life across Long Island on May 14. The Rushmore Student Council, which has coordinated fundraisers for the Ride for Life cause all year long, presented Pendergast with a check for \$5,632.82.

Rushmore is traditionally one of the top ALS fundraisers among Long Island schools and has been raising funds for the Ride for Life, which benefits amyotrophic lateral sclerosis research and services, for over five years. This year, various spirit days served as fundraisers, as did the signature Faculty Feud event, a game-show challenge modeled after "Family Feud." Students also raised funds through the sale of raffles during their recess time.

