

St. Katharine's holds 7th annual Miriam Quigley Dance-a-Thon



St. Katharine's principal Bud Tosti of Broomall, Sophia Recchilungo of Wayne, Shannon and Helena and Bill Quigley of Wayne.



Event volunteers Juliet Blasetti of Wayne, Sara Robinson of Wayne, Kristian Monsanto of Newtown Square and Kyle Quigley of Newtown Square.



Alicia Rhodes of Haverford, Colleen Maguire of wayne, Carolyn Evans of Gulph Mills and Beth Quigley of Wayne.

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On Saturday March 17 (St. Patty's Day) over 650 packed the St. Katharine of Siena Gymnasium in Wayne for the 7th annual Miriam Quigley Dance-a-Thon. An event held in honor and memoriam of Miriam Quigley, a beautiful child who battled a brain tumor from age 2 to age 5. Her life was not in vain as her family has selflessly continued this battle for others raising awareness and monies for the fight against child-

hood brain tumors. So dancing, pie throwing, ice-cream eating contests, face painting, silent auction and raffles were all part of the fun. Special guests included Freckles the clown and the Phillie Phanatic. Food and refreshments were provided by Chick-fil-A, Tony Luke's, Swiss Farms and Pretzel Boy.

The event was fun and festive and in the end over \$30,000 was raised. The monies will go to Miriam's Kids

Jennifer Sharkey of Bryn Mawr and her husband, Jim, and daughters Grace, 4, Kate, 6, and Abby, 4.

research foundation for pediatric brain tumor research, the organization that is committed to advancing the development of therapies that minimize the side effects during treatments of brain tumors. Ultimately, the goal is to cure the disease. This fight has not ended as this strong, brave family continues this mission.



Upper Merion policeman Drew Miller of Upper Merion, Grace Maguire, 10, of Wayne and Sophia Giannaccari of Newtown Square.



Celia Dwyer of Wayne, Claire Heacock, 4, of Wayne, Lucy Fanta of Villanova, Grace Heacock, 5, of Wayne, and Mae Evans of Wayne.