

“GYM” PACKED FUN

Coming together for one cause

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Staying up all night for 12 hours straight isn't very easy, but when they are filled with planned activities by student council and is benefiting kids with cancer, it makes it a little more bearable.

Senior Morgan Spencer had a very important role in the night. “I was one of the three people who choreographed the line dance!” Spencer said. This dance was taught to everyone and was done every hour of the night.

You can't dance all night unless you have the right music, “I was responsible for organizing the music during the 12-hour organized mess. This included making playlists, working with other council members to ask for their input, to even making sure the right music was playing every hour,” sophomore Max Wilkinson said.

Along with the dancing came activities like dodgeball and Gaga ball. “Dodgeball was definitely my favorite because my friends and I had such a fun time announcing the entire dodgeball tournament,” senior Colton Schafer said. “My favorite activity from THON had to be Gaga Ball. Whether I was smashing the ball at competitors around the ring, or watching an intense game, I was always enjoying myself near the Gaga pit,” Wilkinson said.

The school's new renovations helped the students have so much more space for activities compared to the past years. “I really liked that our school had new gyms, there was one dance area and then one was for the games and the bouncy house. There was a lot of room and it was really cool,” Spencer said.

Even so, it can be a challenge to stay up for 12 hours, but the students found a way to keep themselves energized. “My Sprite beverages and all of their caffeine inside of them helped keep me awake,” Schafer said. The activities are the most important part to be able to stay on your feet. “I just kept myself as busy as possible throughout the



A group of students gather together to play an exciting game together at the beginning of mini-THON.

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night,” Spencer said.

“I thought it was awesome how we could all come together and raise a ton of money for a single cause,” Schafer said.

Each year different schools take turns planning and running this event. They are in charge of almost all the night's activities, with some input from other schools. “I'd rather host mini-THON at our school because I love to help plan events like this. It really brings our council together, and pays off extraordinarily,” Wilkinson said.

This year was the perfect year for our school to host it after our addition of the new gym. “The two gyms made everything a lot easier for set up and more spacious so everyone can dance and play games,” Spencer said.

Whether it was dancing, playing games, or enjoying the food and drinks, the students attending mini-THON were occupied all night long. ■

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