Miriam Quigley dance a-Thon raises fun and funds



Denise Chambers of Devon and her husband, Ron, children Connor, Kiera and Phoebe support the Helena Quigley dance-a-thon.



Event committee members Christine Martin of Gulph Mills, June Essis Devine of Newtown Square and Jane Dooner of Wayne enjoy the Miriamís Kid's fundraiser at St. Katharine's.



Nancy Hercer of Valley Forge, event co-chairs Bill and Helena Quigley of Wayne and Bud Tosti of Broomall, St. Katharine's principal, helped make the Miriam Quigley event a success.

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On March 8 parents, teachers, students and friends attended the ninth annual Miriam Quigley dance-a-thon held at St. Katharine of Siena in Wayne. Folks enjoyed games, face painting, an ice cream eating contest, pie in the face contest, chick-fil-A, cheesesteaks, dance performances, Freckles the Clown and even a silent auction and raffles.

The event was held in memory of Miriam Quigley, a young child who battled a brain tumor from age 2 to 5. So guests enjoyed the day all for a good cause. Fun was had but most important is that the funds raised will go to the Miriam's Kids Research Foundation for children's brain tumor research. The foundation was started by Miriam's parents, Helena and Bill Quigley, after Miriam succumbed to brain cancer at the age of 5. Her life was not in vain as her family selflessly continues this battle for others raising awareness and monies for the fight against childhood brain tumors. The mission of their foundation is to help advance the development of highly-targeted therapies to minimize side effects during the treatment of childhood of brain tumors, with the ultimate goal of curing the disease. And that's something to dance for.

To learn more go to www: MiriamsKids. com.



Katie Krisko of Wayne and her husband, Ron, and children Caroline and Johnny attended the Miriam's Kids Research Foundation dance-a-thon.



Kids shown enjoy an ice cream eating contest.



Event volunteers Colleen Maguire of Wayne, Beth Oliver of Newtown Square and Maureen Haley of Berwyn lent a helping hands for the Miriam's Kids fundraiser.