



Tigers Taking Care

By Sam Giftos and Jeston Rademaker

This year Illini Bluffs put on its first annual Tigers Take Care event coinciding with the traditional event of Anything Goes. It was organized by the High School Student Council, but they didn't do it alone. The entire community came together to help raise money for The St. Jude Children's Hospital.

The event itself raised around \$11,000! This was through the volunteering of both the Student Council and the National Honor Society as well as their sponsors Mrs. Walser and Mrs. Nau, respectively. The members of the Student Council had to arrive at 5:30 am to set up for the event.

In addition to helping run Tigers Take Care, NHS also donated desserts to sell during the event and later during high school lunches.

They were able to earn over \$200 after the event with the support of the student body.

In addition to the NHS's desserts, White-tails, C&M Market, the the Sports Boosters and St. Jude Runners Committee donated hamburgers, pork chops, hot dogs, and around 1,000 buns for the food fair. Waugh

Foods donated brats. The IBHS Cheerleading team also worked the Lemon Shake Up stand. Trudy Heitzman donated much of the supplies needed as well as helped in the approval by the Health Department. Besides food, there were many activities to participate in, as well as a silent auction.

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FRUITS OF THEIR LABOR: The Illini Bluffs Cheerleading Team worked extremely hard on the Lemon Shake Up Stand. Their drinks were very highly praised by everyone who tasted it. Shown above are Skyleer Scheerer and Jaden Lindsay hard at work preparing a Lemon Shake Up for a customer.

Operation: After Prom

By Parker Hewitt

Operation: After Prom was an event for all seniors and prom attendees that took place at Illini Bluffs High School directly proceeding prom on April 23rd. It was organized by the Illini Bluffs Federation of Teachers.

The goal of After Prom is to keep students safe throughout the night and let them have fun with their friends while participating in a variety of fun activities.

These activities included: a lazer tag tournament, casino room with blackjack and roulette, karaoke, inflatables, and *Minute to Win It* style games.

Food and drinks were

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The Illini Bluffs Student Council organized numerous activities such as a car smash, dunk tank, dodgeball tournament, and carnival games. The silent auc-

tion was held in the elementary commons and the dodgeball tournament in the elementary gym.

The charity wasn't contained to the event, it continued throughout the week through the math department. Mrs. Brick-er's classes raised over

\$500 and Ms. Hage-dorn's classes raised over \$1000!

In addition to the vol-unteers and donors, there is one group that made the event possible: the participants. Without them, Tigers Take Care would have been impos-sible so we thank all

who went and implore all to attend in future years in order to assure this tradition lasts.

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also available to students throughout the night, free of charge.

Due to the generous donations provided by many charitable people, the organizers were also able to provide many prizes for the students to win, ranging from a complete make up set to a flat screen television.

They had a chance to take home these prizes by putting "OAP bucks" in a bag that corresponded to the prize they hoped to win. A name was then drawn at the

end of the night for each prize.

Oak bucks were given to people whenever they won games and during roulette and blackjack.

Students could also sign up for the talent show that took place halfway through the night. Clint Quigley, who played his saxo-phone, and Michaela Steele, who sang tied for first both doing beauti-fully.

This was the second Operation After Prom, but it is a tradition that will continue to evolve and improve in the years to come.

been present in nearly every event at the school ranging in involvement from organizing Brag-ging Rights to taking pictures to include in this year's yearbook.

We, the publications staff, are now giving stu-dents attending Grand March the opportunity to not only see their picture

Earth Day Extravaganza

By Emily Deppermann

In honor of Earth Day, the seventh and eighth grade language arts students participated in an environment themed unit. During the unit, the students read the book, *Heroes of the Environment*.

The book contains the stories of twelve every-day people who are working to protect the earth and those living on it. One of the heroes is a teenage girl who figures out how to remove an industrial pollutant from the Ohio River.

These stories inspired the students and teach them how they can sup-port, join, and lead envi-

ronmental efforts. As the students read the book, they also participated in activities to correspond with it. Such as, writing poetry, creating charts on water pollution, and discovering other means to work to solve envi-ronmental concern.

At the end of the week, on Earth Day, the seventh and eighth grad-ers completed the unit with a community clean up, sidewalk chalking, and written editorials about what they learned. Mrs. Sellers, as well as the other middle school teachers and the stu-dents, would like to thank CF Industries for providing the grant that funded this project!

Picture Perfect Grand March

By Bethany Cusac

The Illini Bluffs High School Publications class has done a lot to help student based activ-ities this year. Through-out the year, the staff has

in the yearbook, but pur-chase digital copies for \$5.00. This is a change from previous years as instead of buying pre-printed photos for around \$15, students will instead be able to save money and print the

photos more cheaply on their time. The profits will help to provide a better and cheaper year-book this year along with convenience for the students and parents.