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COMMUNITY ROMPS AND ROLLS FOR CANCER RESOURCE CENTRE & LOVED ONES WITH CANCER

MUNSTER - Thousands turned out on a brisk, fall day at Munster High School football field to unite their efforts and walk or run in support of the Cancer Resource Centre. The seventh annual event drew teams representing the hospitals of Community Healthcare System; local businesses and those in the community who walked for loved ones and friends touched by cancer. This year's event, held Oct. 3, raised more than \$144,000.

The Cancer Resource Centre, located at 926 Ridge Road in Munster, helps those affected by cancer obtain the support and resources they need to cope with a diagnosis. All services, which include support groups, educational programs and networking groups, are offered to cancer patients and their family members free of charge.

The Resource Centre is a program of the Community Cancer Research Foundation, a notfor-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of cancer care available in Northwest Indiana and Chicago suburbs. The Centre is funded from donations and grants, in-kind donations and volunteer support.

The top fund raising team taking 1st Place was the Fountain View - Lake Surgical Team and the individual with the highest donations was Donette Hardy. Other team winners include the Miracle Walkers, 2nd Place and the Cancer Fighters of Northwest Indiana with 3rd Place. Second and third place individual winners were Alice Cannon and Pat Hamilton, respectively.

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Special mentions go to Therapy Services for the Best Team Banner (Walking for U lol ©) and Hoehn Medical Best Team Costume/Attire and Best Team Name (Chemo Sabes).

The Spirit Award was presented to Community Hospital's Engineering Team (Munchkins). The Paul & Inga Henry Award (hospital team that collected the most money without corporate sponsorship) was presented to the Patient Financial Services/CFNI, Purchasing & Finance Team (Cancer Fighters of Northwest Indiana). CAS Angels was the leading hospital team (Laboratory/Food & Nutrition Services) in the Let's Make Change fund raiser.

Winners of the Fun Run were: Cory Vallow (male runner winner) with a time of 19:01.7 and Chanel Billmeyer (female runner winner) with a time of 23:22.1.

Donating a handmade "Not Your Granny's Granny Square Afghan" as a raffle prize, Pat Hamilton helped to make the day even more memorable for lucky winner Shirley Popyk.

For more information about the Cancer Resource Centre and Romp and Roll 2011, visit www.cancerresourcecentre.com or www.rompandroll.org.

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