

Be Speedy for the Needy

Give a round of applause for the all-nighters

From dusk 'til dawn hundreds of cancer fighters came together on Friday, May 19 to raise money for people with cancer at the Walterboro High School track. In hopes of preventing cancer, the people of the community raised over one hundred and twenty-six thousand dollars for Relay for Life. People supported the fundraiser by walking, buying luminaries, participating in contest and games, and giving donations.

A lot of people really lasted all night long! The walking also helped keep everyone active so they would not fall asleep. There were a lot of fun activities such as listening to bands like Two Lepta, singing karaoke, and watching the sumo wrestlers. Also, freshman Buist Bickley seemed to enjoy dressing like a woman. He walked around and collected money in the Miss Relay Contest. He (or she) was named Big Bertha Bickley for the night and came in second place in the Miss Relay contest.

Sophomore Ashley Ulmer said, "I went to the Relay for Life to celebrate my battle of cancer and to honor my friends. I also went to exercise." Others, like freshman Charlie Hoffman and sophomore Ashley Murdaugh, said they went to Relay for Life because they both had relatives who died from cancer, and they feel responsible to prevent it. Basically, everyone went to have a good time, raise money for cancer patients, and make a point by being there and letting people know they want to prevent cancer.

Although a lot of people walked, some ran for a very long time. Mr. Robert Crosby ran forty-two miles in eleven hours without any lengthy breaks. Some people would start in and run with him, like Mrs. Pat Rhode, to give him company, but could not go forty-two miles.

Everyone said they had a blast and were definitely planning on coming back next year and supporting the cause.

-Frayse Lyle



Friends Forever... Junior Michelle Hoffman and freshman Buist Bickley smile for the camera. Buist dressed like a girl to help raise money for cancer patients.



'Til the crack of dawn. Freshmen Erika Kizer, Buist Bickley, and junior Jessica Moore force a smile while watch the sun rise. They all agreed that it was a lot of fun.