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Eagle Scout project benefits pediatric cancer patients



Kristen Gillette, founder, the Kortney Rose Foundation, and Clark Halpern, Eagle Scout candidate, are all smiles after a recent Oceanport toy drive netted more than 1,125 toys for pediatric cancer patients at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

OCEANPORT — Clark Halpern, of Oceanport, has more than 135 Eagle Scout project hours under his belt, thanks in part to the support of the community.

Through his Eagle Scout project, Halpern, Red Bank Troop 67, provided 1,125 toys for Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) pediatric cancer patients through a partnership with the Oceanport based Kortney Rose Foundation.


"I knew I wanted my Eagle Scout project to make a difference to individuals, and I knew that partnering with The Kortney Rose Foundation would allow me to help sick kids," said Halpern in a press release. "A toy drive to benefit the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) meant that more than 50 volunteers walked door-to-door to distribute flyers to every home in Oceanport.

Even with Hurricane Irene in the middle of the collection time, I came home every night to new toys on my porch, often with notes sending good wishes to the kids at CHOP."

Kristen Gillette, an Oceanport resident, founded the organization as a way to honor her 9-year-old daughter, Kortney Rose, who died of a brain tumor in 2006. Focusing on pediatric brain cancer research, the Kortney Rose Foundation has donated more than \$378,000 in support of CHOP and its programs.

"Clark's idea was to ask the whole town to donate toys. I don't think either one of us expected the outpouring of love shown through the toy drive," she said in the press release. "I know the children being treated will feel that love when they get one of the wonderful toys, art supplies or games that Oceanport residents generously donated."


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