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It was a perfect day for Megan

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Organizers fed visitors close to 1,800 plates of spaghetti at Doc's Sports Bar, while numerous other people dropped off donations for the Wegge family, who learned that 12-year-old Megan (a triplet) had a rare form of liver cancer in mid-April.

As of Tuesday afternoon, the benefit committee had counted \$42,000 in donations, with checks still trickling in via mail and more funds anticipated from the ongoing sale of MEGAN bracelets.

"There were A LOT [of people at the fundraiser], as you can tell by the money we raised," said family friend and benefit committee member Cathy Nummela. "It was unbelievable the people who came through."

In a post on Megan's Caring Bridge site (www.caringbridge.org/visit/meganwegge), Megan's mom, Jodi, wrote to say thanks to everyone involved in the fundraiser.

"WOW, WOW, WOW, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!" she wrote. "What a beautiful, amazing, fun and could not have been more perfect day! Megan had the best time, she was so happy to see everyone and to see how much fun everyone was having."

All donations will go to all the Wegge family's expenses related to Megan's treatments in Indiana, where the Moose Lake sixth-grader (going into seventh grade next year) is having radiation treatments at Riley's Hospital for Children and proton therapy at the Proton Therapy Center at Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind.



Donations can also be made to the Megan Wegge Family Benefit, attention Cathy Nummela, P.O. Box 554, Moose Lake, MN 55767



Megan and her mom, Jodi, dad Dan, sister Lindsey, sister Brooke and brother Nick.