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SPARTA TWINS RAISE FUNDS FOR SCARC FOUNDATION RADIOTHON

Frankford Township: On Friday, March 4th, Raymond Cordts, Vice President of Lakeland Bank and Chairman of the SCARC Foundation Radiothon, was presented with a big surprise at the event by Hannah and Megan Bertoline of Sparta, NJ. Hannah and Megan presented Mr. Cordts with a check in the amount of \$460, which represented the money they had raised for the SCARC Foundation Radiothon.

“Hannah and Megan love to help other people,” said their mother Lori Bertoline. Her daughters are members of the prestigious Lake Mohawk Ski Hawks water skiing team. The girls contacted their team members, friends and family for donations of \$10. each, but the neighborhood was so impressed with their fundraising efforts that many people donated \$25, \$50 and even \$100 to the Radiothon. “Everyone was happy to donate to the SCARC Foundation Radiothon and thought it was a great cause,” Lori added.

Lori Bertoline also assisted in the fundraising efforts by writing a letter to her friends and family. Her letter explained what the Radiothon does to support people with developmental disabilities in Sussex County. The following is an excerpt from her letter: “Some of you may know that my brother Joe is mentally and physically disabled and recently moved into a SCARC Group Home. Joe loves his housemates and all the things they do together. What these SCARC participants really enjoy are their recreation activities. Each Saturday, they bowl with other members of SCARC. If you ever need a “pick-me-up” on a Saturday afternoon, stop in at the Sparta Bowling Alley. You will see lanes and lanes of happy faces cheering each other on. I enjoy watching Joe bowl on Saturdays and always manage to walk out of there with a new friend or two and a great big smile!” “The Radiothon funds help these great people go to summer camp, play basketball, enjoy seasonal outings and provide much needed respite care for over 150 families in Sussex County,” Lori stated.

“I was very impressed with Hannah’s and Megan’s fundraising efforts for the Radiothon,” Ray Cordts stated. “I would like to encourage other young children in Sussex County to follow in their footsteps and volunteer to help us raise funds for the Radiothon,” he added.

It is not too late to make a difference in the lives of people with developmental disabilities. The contributions will help finance the programs and services for SCARC, Inc. and SCARC Guardianship Services, Inc. If you have not been contacted by a volunteer and would like to make a donation, please contact Diane Chudoba, Executive Director of the SCARC Foundation, Inc. at (973) 383-7442 ext. 260.