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VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

One child inspired to help others with cancer

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Great things come out of small packages, as Danny Fariello, a fifth grader at Valley View Elementary School in Montville has proven. Danny, a participant in the Valley View TREPS program, came up with the idea to sell baseballs with inspirational messages on them to help kids with cancer.

The marketplace will be open at the school, 30 Montgomery Ave., on Sunday, April 27, from noon to 2 p.m.

Through the program, Danny decided to support the NVRQT (Never Quit) campaign that was started by Jon Lester, a pitcher with the Boston Red Sox, who is also a cancer survivor. The idea was a hit for Danny because of his love for baseball.

"Imagine how hard it is for kids who lose all of their strength, pride, health and even their hair," Danny said. "That is why I want to help them. I know there are kids just like me who find out they have cancer, and I want to help support them through that unbearably hard time in their lives."

Danny recently learned that there are 140 children being treated for cancer at the Morristown Medical Center (MMC), and was given the opportunity to meet with some of them through his parents, Liz and Ralph Fariello, who have also done a lot of work with the Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation. After meeting with Deborah Visconi, the director of operations at Morris-



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Danny Fariello and Deborah Visconi, director of operations at Morristown Medical Center.

town Medical Center, Danny explained his intentions to her, and received the support he needed to go to the next phase of his project. His goal is to sell 140 baseballs for each child being treated at MMC.

"I want to give a baseball to every one of them, and if I can sell

more baseballs, then I want to help even more kids," Danny said.

Although Danny is quite the entrepreneur, he is not any different from any other fifth grader. He enjoys hanging out with

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The Montville Township Committee agreed to make the developers of the Estates of Valhalla, a 27-lot subdivision, which received final major Planning Board approval on March 13, 1997, adhere to their original agreement of herit...



Montville High School sophomore Girl Scout Gold Award project Committee for approval.

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part of May 6 event

Tickets to the tricky tray cost \$50. The evening includes will be hors d'oeuvres, food and dessert stations. Raffle tickets will be sold separately. No tickets will be available at the door.

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thought such a plan could help Montville in cost and energy consumption reduction. The company allows the curtailment of energy during peak hours of high-energy consumption.

It supplements this energy with their generators which should lower cost and utility demand. ECS also works in conjunction

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friends, playing on his game system, playing soccer and baseball, and likes ice cream and the movie "Rocky." Along with that he enjoys spending time his family and sisters, Natalie and Caroline.

Individuals who want to contribute to Danny's cause but cannot attend the marketplace at Valley View can donate through NVRQT.com.

The TREP\$ Program, which stands for young enTREP-

neurS, was started in 2013 at Valley View Elementary School for fourth-grade and fifth-grade students. This year about 32 students are in the program. It allows the children to be treated as adults and teaches them professionalism, behavior skills, determination, teamwork, creativity and communication skills. They also learn the basics of business that include: product development, business finance, marketing research, advertising, merchandising and salesmanship.

Once the children develop their products, they sell them during the TREP\$ Market-

place event.

Those in charge of the program are: Linda Otte, Valley View teacher; Rocco Lavista, a parent; and Michelle DeFazio, PTA president.

Some other projects that will be showcased at the event are: scented lotions, customized pens and pencils, create your own cupcakes, customized picture frames, flavored popcorn, specialty strawberries, brownies made with an assortment of candy inside them, and charity bracelets.

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