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A dig in volleyball is when a player gets under the ball to get a "save'. A group of Dexter middle school girls are digging in tonight to help save women from breast cancer.

A group of lively middle school young ladies are going to "Dig Pink" tonight as they play volleyball and raise awareness and funds for a most worthy cause.

"We are raising money for 18 Fore Life and it's to help people around our community with breast cancer. And we're having this and we're raising a lot of money," said team member Miranda Rogers. The girls in unison said they hope to help someone in need.

The game is the first of its kind in Dexter. Other athletic teams throughout the region and nation host "pink" games in an effort to raise awareness and funds to fight breast cancer. This is the first such game in Dexter.

The girls, coaches and moms gathered Wednesday evening to help prepare for tonight's big event. Pink ribbons were prepared to hand out to those attending, signs were made, and t-shirts were folded.

The girls have generated a swell of excitement over tonight's game. Each girl in working

Wednesday night on fashioning pink ribbons knew at least one member of their family or family friend who has been touched by breast cancer. There's a real sense of comradery among the young ladies and feeling of accomplishing something important.

The eighth grade team has not lost a game this year ... and they are hoping to take that victorious spirit to the court and in helping raise awareness about breast cancer.

"People need to know that breast cancer is out there and it affects people," Miranda said. Through the work on this unique game, the girls have also been made aware of the necessity for women – no matter the age – to have regular exams, and for women to take care of their bodies. "It's not just old age."

The girls say they decided to raise money for 18 Fore Life because it is a local organization that helps people and families in the region. All funds generated by the Dig Pink game will go to 18 Fore Life and will be directed to women and their families who are fighting breast cancer.

"It's going to help people in our community that we could know personally," said Madison Christian.

Tonight's Dig Pink volleyball games will begin at 6 p.m. at the T. S. Hill Middle School. The match will feature two undefeated teams – Dexter and Poplar Bluff.

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