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Dexter, Missouri - It's becoming a trend. Youngsters are asking for money for their birthdays, but not for themselves. They are choosing to donate their birthday money to charities.

Liza King, a middle school student at Dexter, decided to donate her birthday money to the Ben Kruse 18 Fore Life Foundation this year. They give "love offerings" to local people undergoing treatment for cancer.

In June 18 Fore Life donated their 1 millionth dollar. A goal Scott Kruse and his fellow fundraisers set years ago. And until there is a cure for all cancers they will strive towards their next millionth dollar!

"She's a great student," commented Kruse, principal of T.S. Hill Middle School and organizer of 18 Fore Life. "I am amazed each time a student donates their own money. My brother would be so proud."

As many of the Dexter community already knows, Ben Kruse started the ball rolling when he wanted to have a golf tournament to raise money. He loved helping people and he loved golf. He was tragically taken away, but his memory is not forgotten. Today, 18 Fore Life is instrumental in this area to helping those suffering from the hardships of

cancer. They host annual events including Hits for Hope, 10 Pins for Ben, a Charity Golf Tournament, Crappie Tournament, and more.

Liza donated \$100 of her birthday money. What a wonderful contribution as knows the importance of what a community can give to each other. It hits a little closer to home for her though. Her Dad is currently battling cancer.

Thank you Liza! The Dexter community is extremely proud of you!

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