

Indian Hills Girls Basketball Teams Slam Dunk Cancer Support

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Indian Hills Girls Basketball Coaches Julie Haledjian, Diane Pevny and Lindsay Rock. Photo Credit: The Valley Hospital

OAKLAND, N.J. -- For the fifth consecutive year, coaches and players in the Indian Hills High School Girls Basketball Program teamed up to fight cancer.

During the month of October, the teams held their annual t-shirt drive, which has raised more than \$2,200 over the past five years to The Valley Hospital Breast Center.

This year, led by coaches Julie Haledjian, Diane Pevny and Lindsay Rock, members of the junior varsity and varsity teams sold nearly 445 "Be Brave" t-shirts,

raising \$700 for charity.

"We are all female, and want to make a local impact," said Julie Haledjian, varsity head coach. "With October being breast cancer awareness month, and since many of our friends and family members have fought breast cancer at Valley, designating the funds towards The Valley Hospital Breast Center made the most sense."

The American Cancer Society estimates that in 2017, roughly 255,180 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in the United States, with approximately 7,890 of those new cases in New Jersey.

The Valley Hospital Breast Center, which has been designated a Breast Imaging Center of Excellence by the American College of Radiology, is the hospital of choice for many of these newly diagnosed breast cancer patients. Valley's multidisciplinary team of experienced physicians, radiologists, cytopathologists, nurses, researchers and coordinators collaborate regarding all aspects of a woman's breast care in a patient-focused, comprehensive breast care program.

Click here for more information on The Valley Hospital Breast Center.