

UW Carbone Cancer Center: Two Evansville High School seniors raise \$50,000 for pediatric cancer research

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MADISON- Two Evansville High School seniors raised \$50,000 for pediatric cancer research at the UW Carbone Cancer Center.

Eighteen-year-old Logan Katzenmeyer and 18-year-old Kellan Sunness will present the funds at the American Family Children's Hospital lobby on March 8 at 10 a.m. The fundraising was for their senior project but they had special inspiration to propel the effort.

Katzenmeyer's cousin is four-year-old Harlow Phillips who suffers from stage-four high-risk neuroblastoma.

"We had one big event in February," said Katzenmeyer. "And the small businesses in Evansville were very generous. From the very start, we did it for Harlow."

Harlow was diagnosed last September and has undergone five rounds of chemotherapy, stem cell harvesting, surgery, high-dose chemotherapy and a bone marrow transplant.

“Harlow and other pediatric cancer patients are inspirational to all of us,” said Dr. Ken DeSantes, chief of the division of pediatric hematology oncology. “We’re grateful to Logan and Kellan for their generous gift to research.”

The two students raised a total of \$90,000. The other \$40,000 is going to various charities.