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McCormick Fifth-Grader's Fundraiser Gathers \$417 for Haiti



McCormick Elementary teacher Snow Snowden (left), McCormick fifth-grader Marlana Trunzo and McCormick Principal Julie Moore presented a check to Tom Wiese of the American Red Cross Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter on Jan. 26.

McCormick Elementary fifth-grader Marlana Trunzo was so touched by the recent Haitian earthquake that she took it upon herself to raise funds and awareness of the tragedy in Moon Area School District's smallest elementary school.

With the aid of McCormick students and staff, she more than quadrupled her \$100 goal in a single hour by raising \$417 for the American Red Cross. Marlana presented McCormick's donation to Tom Wiese, Financial Development Officer for the American Red Cross Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter on Tuesday during a check presentation.

To raise the funds, students and staff pitched coins and hundreds of bills into a box to spare their principal, Julie Moore, from a detention table set up during students' lunch in the cafeteria.

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