

PRESCHOOL HOSTS REFRESHING JIMMY FUND BENEFIT

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The Auburn Goddard School children ran a lemonade stand Friday, Aug. 8, to raise money for the Jimmy Fund. Rep. Paul Frost, R-Auburn, was at the school to show his support of the children and their project.

that is treating her for cancer. The story has reportedly inspired thousands of children across the country to make stands of their own to help the cause.

School Director Rebecca Putnam said the story hit home with the students, who have recently become aware of cancer due to two families of children affected by the disease. Rather than focusing on the negative aspects of the disease, the children channeled their energies to do what they could to help those afflicted with cancer.

“The children wanted to help not just other kids, but everybody with cancer,” Putnam said. “I look at this as today they have become entrepreneurs, activists and humanitarians. When you think about the education of a child, an activity like this ties them into the world. This is preparing them to become the kinds of people we want in a society.”

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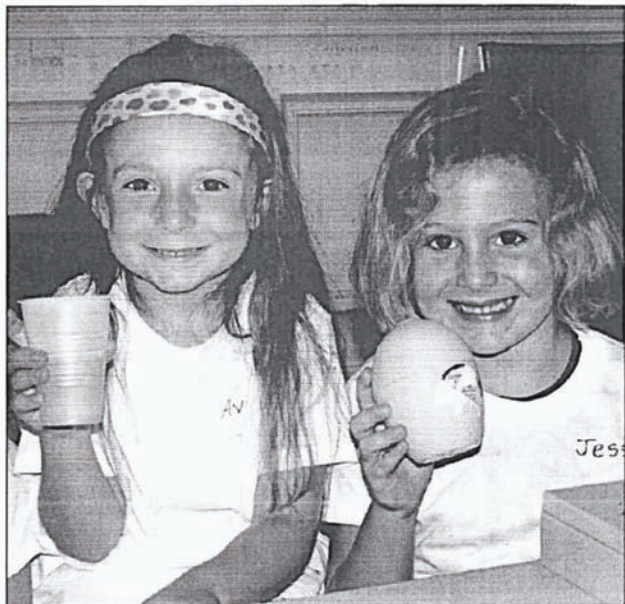
AUBURN - Local children recently came up with a refreshing way to raise money to fight cancer.

The Auburn Goddard School, a preschool, held a lemonade stand Friday, Aug. 8, to raise money for the Jimmy Fund.

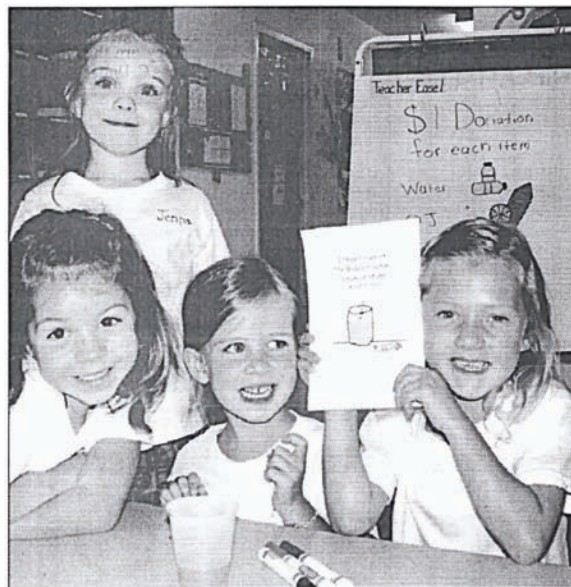
The idea came from a book one of the students brought in to share with the class. The book, “Alex and the Amazing Lemonade Stand,” by Liz and Jay Scott, is the true story of their four-year-old daughter, Alexandra “Alex” Scott, who made a lemonade stand to raise money for the hospital



Madison Peitras, 5, holds a cup of lemonade, one of the products children at the Goddard School were selling to raise money for cancer research and patient care.



Ava Richard, 5, and Jessie Calkins, 5, pose at the Goddard School lemonade stand they helped manage to raise money for the Jimmy Fund.



Goddard School students Grace Gamelli, Jenna Elliott, Fiona Dolron and Marlene Eichelroth take a moment from running a benefit lemonade stand to pose for a photo.