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One hundred and twenty Radford students had their heads shaved in front of the Bonnie on Monday, March 30, contributing \$5,200 to the St Baldrick's Foundation.

St. Baldrick's is committed to finding cures for childhood cancer, and asks for organizations to register online and through events such as the one that happened on that cool and windy Monday.

Radford's very own Sigma Pi fraternity chapter organized the event. Specifically, Charles Renick, the fraternity's chairman of philanthropy.

Renick reached out to Brad Angell of Brad's Barbershop, on 115 3rd Avenue and Michael Wyms, the owner of Cut Nice on 1137 East Main Street, in Downtown Radford, to be shavers for the event as St Baldrick's requires licensed cosmetologists for all of their events.

The event went from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in which time Wyms and Angell shaved the heads of Radford students under two tents who had previously donated online at the St Baldrick's page as well as collecting donations on the day totaling up to roughly \$5,200.

"I'm just trying to help my community and children in need," said Angell. "As far as I see it, long as I'm here, I'm gonna keep doing it."

For Wyms, this was his first year participating and he was honored to be part of "such a noble gesture."

"It's great to give back," said Wyms. "I don't know anyone that hasn't been affected by cancer, whether it be themselves or a loved one."

Sigma Pi has been doing this annual event for St. Baldrick's since 2004, on top of the required philanthropy they do as prescribed by their national organization and Radford's Interfraternity Council.

Brett Johnson, Sigma Pi's vice president, said he was "Very happy with how the event turned out and (that he) loves it not only because of all the money (they were) able to raise, but also because it is something that all (of his) brothers get together and do."

Sigma Pi's council passed a vote in chapter requiring all 50 brothers in the fraternity to raise \$65 each for the foundation by Monday, as well as to try to recruit people to sign up to have their heads shaved.

"Finding a cure for cancer is one of the most important things to work towards; that is in no way me trying to downgrade any other philanthropies, but if I can hold a piece of metal and talk to someone on the other side of the world through it, then I think we should be able to handle cancer," said Johnson about why Sigma Pi continues to have these events.

Even though Renick is graduating this year, that does not mean that Sigma Pi will stop having these events.

"I'm really happy Charles did it and he did really organize this whole thing by himself. I don't see any bumps in the road for future years," Johnson said.

"Philanthropy is an important part of Greek life, especially since here at Radford we are one of the biggest organizations to raise money."

After Renick's graduation, Vincent Crow will be in charge of the St Baldrick's events.