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Camp New Hope Warms the Hearts of Lakeview Students

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A group of Lakeview College of Nursing students will participate in the **Heart of Hope Valentine's Day Party** at **Peterson Park in Mattoon, IL**, on **February 18, 2023**, from **0800 to 1600**. This event is for the disabled community of Coles county.

Camp New Hope of Neoga, IL, is holding this event at a secondary location due to flood damage at their facility. Camp New Hope is committed to serving their campers no matter the circumstances. This event is a Valentine's Day Party for the cognitive and physically disabled community of Coles County. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate. The event will include lunch, cookie decorating, valentine's box decorating, dancing, and a magic show!

Mary Hyatt of Casey, IL (62420), Brooke Valles of Columbus, IN (47201), Tyrika Walls of Chicago, IL (60651), and Cecilia Duong of Eastvale, CA (91752), decided to pursue this effort with Camp New Hope because each group member is committed to helping the disabled community. Hyatt's great-aunt was cognitively disabled, which inspired her to support this underserved group. Valles states, "I wanted to help Camp New Hope because, in many ways, my helping the campers helped me too!" Walls explains, "I wanted to volunteer at Camp New Hope to gain hands-on experiences working with individuals with disabilities." Duong loves to support individuals with disabilities and provide a safe and nurturing environment for them to participate in activities and form friendships. She explains, "Giving back to others provides a sense of personal fulfillment and satisfaction, knowing I could make a positive impact and support such an amazing organization like Camp New Hope."

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For more information about this event, please contact Lakeview College of Nursing at 217-345-3575

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