

## NEWS RELEASE

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**Arlington (January 13, 2016)** – The bleachers in the gym at Arlington High School were “pinked out” when the boys’ basketball team played against Marysville Pilchuck’s team. Students, parents, staff, coaches, team and community members donned their pink “Coaches vs Cancer” t-shirts on January 8. Eight incredible honorary coaches shared their personal stories about fighting cancer with the fans. Sharing the heart-touching stories makes the desire to support cancer research and a finding a cure more personal to us all.

The annual event to raise money for the American Cancer Society brought in \$1,200 by the end of the evening. Money is still coming in and the community can participate in the online auction before it closes on January 16 at <https://www.32auctions.com/coachesvscancer2016>. There are 49 auction items available from which to chose. In addition, tax-deductible donations can be donated through the Relay for Life website at [http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?team\\_id=1973707&fr\\_id=75464&pg=team](http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?team_id=1973707&fr_id=75464&pg=team).

Cascade Valley Hospital joined in the fun by handing out free pink t-shirts to the first 750 fans that evening. This year, there were additional examples where students showed their support and enthusiasm. The cheerleaders had pink pompoms, the Color Guard had pink shoulder cords, the band dressed in pink, and the Robotics club decorated their robot in pink. The Arlington Booster Club also offered pink cotton candy as an extra treat.

The Coaches vs Cancer event has traditionally been a fun way to bring our community together to support the cure for cancer. Caryn Brown and her planning team did a wonderful job putting this event together again this year. It is amazing to see the amount of community support the Arlington community shows at events such as this.

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