As the event chair of this year's American Cancer Society Relay for Life, I would like to thank residents of Humboldt County for their generosity and support. Over 75 teams participated in this year's event, raising over \$270,000.00 to further The American Cancer Society's missions of eliminating cancer by helping people get well and stay well, by finding cures, and by fighting back. The outstanding support received proves that the people of Humboldt County are truly committed to the fight against cancer. I want to applaud the 297 survivors and many caregivers that participated in this years event. They are the reason we continue the fight so each year there can be more and more people living wonderful lives following a diagnosis of cancer and celebrating more birthdays. Special thanks go to the many Relay for Life volunteers who worked to make this event a success. The Relay for Life committee did an outstanding job of putting the event together. We also appreciate the generosity of this year's corporate sponsors. Our corporate sponsors included Cloney's Pharmacy See's Candy Umpqua Bank Humboldt Petroleum and Coast Central Credit Union. We would also like to thank some important "day of event supporters" which include College of the Redwoods- KHUM Radio and Cal-Fire. Without their support none of this would have been possible. Again, thank you for supporting the American Cancer Society, and remember it's not too early to become involved in Relay for Life for next year. Together we will celebrate the lives of those who've battled and won, remember those we've lost, and fight back against a disease that takes too much. If you wish to donate much needed funds to continue the fight against cancer please visit the website at

www.relayforlife.org/eurekaca

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This has been Dona Latham with The American Cancer Society for Community
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