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## **Kickball Ministry**

"So much of ministry is about relationships," says **Kelli Doell** (FVL/Mount Olive-Appleton WI). "Sometimes ministry can be as simple as grabbing a ball and going out to the field."

That's just what MLC students did. The Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC) and the service organization Anchor partnered with New Ulm's Special Olympics to host a kickball game, a first-time event they hope to repeat annually.

"The best part was seeing the relationships form between the Special Olympians and the MLC students," says **Hailey Johnson** (FVL / St. Paul-Green Bay WI), MLC SAAC president.

"Between every play there were high-fives, cheers, dancing, and even some inside jokes and trash-talking! Many players were asking for autographs, pictures, and hugs at the end!"

Did you know MLC has a special ed major? Students who choose special ed usually also major in elementary or secondary ed. This double major prepares them to teach in a regular classroom while also serving as a resource person for their entire school or area.



No worries! No gambling is involved as students play a little blackjack for a good cause: **Abby Lash** (Shoreland / First-Racine WI), **Joey Loescher** (KML / David's Star-Jackson WI), **Arianna Sanchez** (WISCO / St. Peter-Milwaukee), **Donovan Williams** (WISCO / Loving Shepherd-Milwaukee), **Anna Scarfo** (LPS / Atonement-Milwaukee), and **Justus McKenzie** (FVL / Trinity-Neenah WI).

## #NotCollegeProm

Dressed to the nines and ready to dance, students enjoyed good food, music, and blackjack and roulette tables—all to raise money for Dr. Alan Spurgin, a professor fighting cancer.

"We raised over \$1,600 to support Dr. Spurgin's medical expenses," says **Abbie Mleziva** (Manitowoc LHS / First German-Manitowoc WI). "It was such a cool opportunity to have fun with friends and make a difference for such a loved professor. Plus, an excuse to dance is hard to turn down."

This Anchor-sponsored annual fundraiser called Night on the Town was transformed this year to Night on the Campus. But the focus and the fun stayed the same.

"Night on the Campus was an amazing example of selflessness, both during the event and in planning it out," says **Jonny Lehmann** (*LPS / Peace-Janesville WI*), the president of Anchor.
"The students who came to support Dr. Spurgin gave an excellent example of the love of Christ in their hearts. It never ceases to inspire."

While students jokingly compared the event to prom, it was a blast for all to attend and will certainly continue for years to come. Students are always looking for ways to support a worthy cause, and Night on the Campus never disappoints.