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CHINA CARE BROWN AWARENESS WEEK

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On a sunny warm week in March, China Care
Brown organized its first ever China Care
Awareness Week in Providence, Rhode Island. The
purpose of the event was to highlight the club's
efforts to provide medical support to orphaned
children in China—and raise funds for those efforts
as well.



During the five-day Awareness Week, club members sold China Care T-shirts and Brown

University Professor Sonja van Wichelen gave a talk about international adoption. Club members also used a creative method for spurring donations: "We advertised by putting fake dollar bills in every mailbox on campus that instructed students to donate a dollar to a child's surgery," says club member Emily Cole '10, who coordinated the event.



The finale of the week was a charity Fashion Sale held on campus. "We emailed many fashion companies asking for clothing donations and got quite a few positive responses," says club member Stephanie Chen '11, who coordinated the sale. The result was discounted prices for designer wear, including LeSportSac, A Lot To Say, and Kimberly Ovitz. Bargain shoppers could also buy raffle tickets for a variety of gift

cards and a gift basket.

The week was a wonderful success! All of the funds collected will be used to help provide surgery for two children at The China Care Home, a little boy with a heart condition and Down syndrome, and a little girl with a tethered spinal cord.