

CLUB'S SILENT RAVE MAKES NOISE FOR CHINA CARE



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A typical Saturday night for a teenager in high school consists of three main components: friends, good music and junk food. The Fairfield Warde High

School China Care Club in Fairfield, Connecticut, chose to bring these ingredients together and add one more -fundraising- for a unique "silent rave" dance. What is a silent rave you ask? It's a phenomenon of a world where MP3 players can replace CDs and DJs, as the definition on the event's promotional flyer explains: "silent rave (n.) a wild dance party where everyone hears their own music through personal headphones."



Fairfield Warde China Care Club members Erin Clark, her twin sister, Cassidy and friend Alyssa came up with the idea for the silent rave fundraiser and worked for months to secure a venue and volunteers for the night. And boy did it pay off! Over thirty teenagers sporting China Care t-shirts came out with their iPods in tow. No one missed the once de rigueur loud music because the students danced all night to their own beats.



There was even a "black market" bake sale that included sodas and a variety of home-made brownies, cookies, and China Care cupcakes.

Says club president Erin, "It was a GREAT night! I am glad so many people came out for a good cause!"

The club's silent rave dance was also featured in a local newspaper, [the Fairfield Citizen](#).

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