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Los Lonely Boys to play Brookdale benefit show

MIDDLETOWN — Los Lonely Boys, Alex Band and the Calling will perform Saturday night at Brookdale in an effort to raise funds for breast cancer victims.

Proceeds from the show will go toward the Christina S. Walsh Breast Cancer Foundation, named for a New Jersey woman who lost her battle to breast cancer in August of this year.

Diagnosed at age 30, Walsh was the mother of an infant girl, Caitlin, when she first learned she had cancer in 2001. She worked in Franklin and Lawrence townships as a special education teacher and started her own chocolate favors business while undergoing cancer treatments.

In June, while on a trip to Disney World in Florida with her husband and daughter, Walsh became so ill a private medical jet was needed to fly her home and back to Robert Wood Johnson Hospital in Edison. The cost of the jet was not covered by her insurance. Friends and family pooled together in order to pay for the costly transportation.

"Throughout Christina's 2 1/2-year fight, she recognized the affect her disease had on her family and friends, both emotionally and financially," Christina's husband Bob said in a press release. "In her final weeks, Christina became focused and determined to find a means of assisting and providing relief to other breast cancer patients and their families. This foundation has been established in Christina's memory for the purpose of carrying out her wishes. In doing so, proceeds from this foundation will be used to furnish financial assistance for hospitalized patients who are in need of treatments, medications, medical tests, etc., necessities that would not be covered by insurance."

Tickets for the concert that will benefit this cause can be purchased at Jack's Music, Red Bank, or by going to www.ticketweb.com. Tickets are \$35. For more information, call Frank Lawrance at (732) 224-2044 or Lou Morreale at (732) 904-3660.

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