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## **For Immediate Release**

### **Sole Power Huge Success**

On June 14<sup>th</sup> Wayne County residents gathered at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Center in Newark to celebrate the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Sole Power Hunt for the Golden Shoe event. 250 shoes were placed in four Wayne County parks. They included Palmyra Aqueduct Park, Newark Noreson Bridge Park, Pultneyville B. Forman Park and Clyde Black Brook Park. Treasure hunters searched June 1<sup>st</sup> through June 8<sup>th</sup> for their golden shoe to be turned in on June 14<sup>th</sup> for their award.

During the sole power activity on June 14th, participants were able to sample healthy snacks, taste low-fat milk, take a chance at great raffle prizes, and be entertained and physically active with local folk musician Cathy McGrath from Teakettle Music Company. Families were thrilled with the event that was made possible by a five year grant that was awarded to Cornell Cooperative Extension of Wayne County by the NY State Department of Health called Eat Well Play Hard Community Projects. One mom told us that she and her two young sons had such a great time looking for the shoes and when they found them, the boys thought they had found leprechaun shoes!

Community support for the event was shown by local business through their generous donations. They included; Rochester Museum and Science Center- Rochester, Eagle Ridge Sports - Williamson, Taranwould Golf - Newark, Cummings Maple Syrup - Palmyra, Mott's Inc. -Williamson, Upstate Milk Corp.- LeRoy, Fowler's Apples - Wolcott, Genesee Country Village & Museum - Mumford, Sebreeze Amusement Park- Rochester, Memorial Art Gallery, - Rochester, Long Acre Farms - Macedon, Buffalo Bills, - Buffalo, Breens IGA - Palmyra, Appleshed - Fairville, Rochester Redwings - Rochester, and Wegmans - Newark.