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Horizon Science Academy students dance for socks in Lorain

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The Horizon Science Academy of Lorain hosted their annual Salsa for Socks night as part of their Socktober campaign on Oct. 25.

While ‘dancing your socks off’ can usually indicate an evening of fun, Horizon students danced for socks in collecting donations Lorain’s less fortunate.

2017 Teacher of the Year Shannon Greif led Horizon students and guests in a salsa dance demonstration at Horizon’s 760 Tower Boulevard location where they learned the finer points of the art in addition to getting together for a good cause. For the price of sock donation, guests enjoyed an evening of dancing, homemade salsa and music from DJ Nacho with all socks going to benefit the month long Socktober campaign.

Greif who is a grade one teacher at Horizon began the initiative with her students in 2015 after hearing stumbling onto a video from YouTube personality Robby Novak, better known as “Kid President.”

Taking the opportunity to show her students how to be compassionate to one another by helping the less fortunate, they were able to collect more than 1,300 pairs of socks and which were delivered and donated to Lorain’s Haven Center Homeless Shelter at 1546 E. 30th St.

“I had a first grade class that was struggling with being kind to one another so I got turned onto Kid President,” So I got my mom’s bar involved and we had events around the school and we raised 1,300 pairs of socks, Greif said. “Just get-



Shannon Greif (right) leads a salsa demonstration at Horizon Science Center of Lorain at 760 Tower Boulevard on Oct. 25 for Salsa for Socks in support of the Socktober campaign. Greif, a grade one teacher is collecting donations in support of Lorain’s Haven Center Homeless Shelter at 1536 E. 30th St. In 2015 Greif and her class were able to collect more than 1,300 pairs of socks. Kevin Martin — The Morning Journal

ting them to see that even though they are small and little, they can make a big difference. We are getting socks from all over the world.”

The Socktober campaign will continue through the rest of October and anyone interested in making a donation can contact Shannon Greif at greif@horizonlorain.com.