**MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

 The North Middle School students have been busy outside the classroom as well as inside the classroom. Three activities that deserve special attention are described in this report.

**Walk for Better Health**

 Were you near our middle school this past month? If so, you may have seen students and their teachers walking around the track. They were taking part in an exercise program called “Walk for Better Health.” The program is the result of the concern that teachers have for the fitness of school-age children.

 One purpose of the program is to show students that they can have a good time while they exercise. Principal Morris said that by the end of last month, the students had walked more than 2,500 miles. That is about the distance from our school to Disney World.

**Share Hair to Care**

More than a dozen of our students have donated a foot or more of their hair to the Share Hair to Care organization. This nonprofit organization provides wigs made from human hair to school-aged children.

 Kristie Young, a sixth-grader, has a cousin who is suffering from long-term hair loss because of an illness. That cousin mentioned the program to Kristie. Kristie decided that she would donate her hair when she cut it. She donated about a foot of hair. Many of Kristie’s friends learned of her good deed and decided to do the same.

**Operation Clean Sweep**

 The Science Club volunteered to adopt the two blocks of North Street on each side of the school. Once each week, club members and their sponsor, Miss Halley, remove trash from this section of the street. They also post signs around the school asking people not to litter.