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Help For Stuart's Draft Boy With Rare Condition

Waynesboro

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Still, Logan Shifflett is a kid just like any other. But he suffers with a rare disorder called "cleidocranial dysplasia," which doesn't allow his teeth to grow properly. This forces him to wear special chains in his mouth and endure several surgeries.

Saturday, members of the Waynesboro Elk's Lodge, like Wilbur Roadcap, joined with others to help pay for all the oral surgeries he's been through, just for the sake of helping a neighbor.

"We do this to see people working together, doing stuff for the community and around us," Wilbur says.

He and others were outside at 5 AM at several grills cooking barbecue chickens to sell at the local VFW to raise money.

Jodi Burdette started the "Love For Logan Fund" after learning what he is going through. She says support at fundraisers like this one is overwhelming.

"Before they were halfway finished cooking, half of it [the chicken] was sold [to preorder]," she says. "By the time they pulled it all off the grill, it was all spoken for."

Insurance only covers so many surgeries, and Logan will need at least one a year until he's an adult. But in the mean time, he's very thankful for all of the support.

"The most appreciative thing I can think of is people in the community helping me through all of this," he says with a smile.

Logan's father Eric also suffers from this condition and is very thankful for everyone's help. He's been overwhelmed with all of the support and says with proper treatment, Logan should be OK someday.

Most of the support for Logan has actually been spread of by word of mouth. If you'd like to help out, contact the Waynesboro Elk's Lodge at (540) 942-9108 or Stuart's Draft VFW at (540) 949-8489.

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