

## **Press-Release for Juvenile Diabetes Awareness Night Saturday, May 20, 2017**

**As a community service project, the New London High School Baseball team is having Juvenile Diabetes Awareness Night for their games against Clintonville on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. The Junior Varsity game starts at 4:30 pm and the Varsity game begins at 7 pm. Both games are at Hatten Stadium.**

**The main purpose of this night will be to raise money for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. The JDRF is the leading global organization funding Type 1 Diabetes research. Their mission is to accelerate life-changing breakthroughs to cure, prevent and treat Type 1 Diabetes and its complications. To accomplish this, the JDRF has invested nearly \$2 billion in research funding since their inception. They are an organization built on a grassroots model of people connecting in their local communities, collaborating regionally for efficiency and broader fundraising impact, and uniting on a national stage to pool resources, passion and energy.**

**During the 5<sup>th</sup> inning of both games, there will be the Miracle Minute. Volunteers will walk through the grandstand and collect donations to the JDRF. It is our hope that in that minute the fans of both teams will contribute money to help the JDRF find a cure for Type 1 Diabetes. All checks should be made out to the JDRF.**

**Type 1 Diabetes is an autoimmune disease in which a person's pancreas stops producing insulin, a hormone people need to get energy from food. Type 1 Diabetes strikes both children and adults and its onset has nothing to do with diet or lifestyle. There is currently nothing a person can do to prevent it and there is no cure.**

**The Bulldog Baseball team would like to welcome all baseball fans from New London and Clintonville to come out to Hatten Stadium on Saturday evening, May 20<sup>th</sup> to watch the great game of baseball and help fund a cure for Type 1 Diabetes during the Miracle Minute.**