

KAY KLIPS DECEMBER, 2008

DODGE CITY KAY members participated in the Staff Appreciation BBQ during American Education Week.

HOLCOMB KAY members kept busy during Citizenship Week. Beginning with Sunday, Serve My Family day, the members spent quality time with their families doing a variety of fun things including decorating for Christmas, fixing supper & watching television together. On Monday, Serve My School day, the members treated their teachers & classmates to candy. Tuesday, Serve My Community, the members of the student body donated food items to the Emmaus House, their local food pantry. Wednesday, Serve My Country, members sent Christmas cards to the military men & women. Thursday, Serve My World, the entire student body logged onto freerice.com and donated rice to the needy. Friday, Serve My Club, members exchanged Secret Santa gifts and enjoyed juice & donuts. Saturday, Serve My Home, each member helped around his/her house in some way. The week was an excellent way to let others know about all of the great benefits about belonging to KAY.

INDEPENDENCE recognized KAY Citizenship Week with several projects which served the club, school, community, nation and world. The club made donations to the local food pantry and the Ronald McDonald House in Topeka among several other activities. During a high school basketball game, the club hosted the second annual cancer awareness event which included face painting & several raffles to raise money for cancer awareness & the referees also used pink whistles.

LINCOLN KAY Club have been busy with several service projects. For their World Service project, they collected items for Operation Christmas Child. Other projects completed include organizing & leading class competitions at the homecoming bonfire; members helped at game & activity booths at the Post Rock Festival; collected food on Halloween that was boxed (twenty) & donated to the Lincoln County Food Pantry.

MANHATTAN-ANTHONY MS KAY Club has been busy collecting pop tabs & pull tabs off cans. The AMS homerooms donated 25,646 tabs to give to Ronald McDonald House Charity. Alan Lubert from Kansas City spoke to the group & explained how pop tabs can help families at the Ronald McDonald House. There are over 275 Ronald McDonald houses in the world. There are two in Kansas City, one in Wichita and one in Topeka. Seventy-five percent of the families that stay at a Ronald McDonald house stay absolutely free. Alan also suggested other ways to help by contributing healthy snacks, cleaning supplies and hotel samples (shampoo, conditioner, mouthwash, etc).

MONTEZUMA-SOUTH GRAY KAY Club participated in the annual Tree of Life ceremony. This event gives those who've experienced loss a way to "publicly memorialize" their loved ones. The ceremony recognizes both individuals who've been Hospice patients and those not involved with the program. The Tree of Life includes 160 to 170 ornaments which includes handmade ornaments with the names of individuals that people wish to remember. The KAY Club have made the ornaments for the past seven years. This year's ornaments were made from red earthen clay & were made into the shape of a dove with the word "Love" written on them. The dove is a universal sign of peace, love and harmony.

SMITH CENTER KAY Club recognized KAY Citizenship Week with activities for each day. Activities included gifts to the teachers & staff, gifts for the Angel Tree, donation to Andy Stewart's soccer ball mission, served 60+ Christmas Dinner and had a club pizza party.

SUBLETTE KAY Club has several projects and activities planned for the school year. Some of the projects/activities include Iron Man Volleyball to earn Kleenex for the classrooms, Snow Ball Semi Formal Dance, Heart-A-Grams, Easter Hunt & hosting a MS Costume Dance. The club will also do the concessions at the Homecoming Football game & make burritos to sell.