

## **KAY KLIPS**

### **AUGUST 2009**

The **Agra-Thunder Ridge Middle** School KAYS were busy with many activities for the surrounding communities. They painted pumpkins for the residents of Long Term Care in Phillipsburg. They will return monthly to interact with the Grandparents. The club held a food drive to help replenish food needed in the Kensington and Phillips County Food Pantries. They collected 540 pounds of food to be divided between the two pantries. Members colored Thanksgiving pictures to put in the rooms and made dinner table favors to be used on Thanksgiving Day at the Long Term Care in Phillipsburg. The club traveled to the Long Term Care in Phillipsburg and presented several Christmas music selections. They hosted an Easter Egg Hunt for two Pre-School classes in Agra. They prepared for the hunt by filling plastic eggs with candy, stickers, and little yellow chicks. They also made homemade play dough for the children.

The **Argonia** KAY Club sponsored a CARE auction. The amount of \$162.50 was sent to CARE, an organization feeding malnourished children in different parts of the world, especially India.

Elizabeth Gray, a Peace Corps volunteer spoke with the **Blue Rapids-Valley Heights** KAYS about her experiences in Moldova. During her time in Moldova, the Club supported her with talking books and a financial donation to help repair classroom windows.

The **Burlingame** KAYS adopted three families for the holiday season. The KAY club also sponsored an ugly Christmas sweater dance.

**Burrton** KAYS hosted the annual Easter Egg Hunt at the school grounds.

**Bushton-Quivira Heights** High School KAY members hosted one of the KAY Unit Conferences.

**Caldwell** KAYS assisted with the Chisholm Trail Days and Earth Day. Several KAY members assisted with the planting.

**Carbondale-Santa Fe** Trail KAYS contributed to the less fortunate by setting up a Christmas tree and encouraged students to donate hats, mittens, scarves, and other winter necessities.

**Centralia** KAY Club's service project this year was Pennies for Patients. All money raised by the students will be used in Kansas.

Four members of the **Clearwater** High School KAYS attended the KAY Regional Conference at Burrton High School. The Club received the 1000 point award.

The **Clifton-Clyde** KAYS helped with the annual Buddy Walk. They helped at the registration table, kid's games, handed out T-shirts and the special Buddy Walk tattoos.

The **Council Grove** High School KAY Club conducted their annual Trick or Treat for UNICEF. The money will go to the International Child education fund.

The **Cunningham** High School KAY Club sponsored a Mother and Daughter Banquet at the Cunningham Sacred Heart Hall. The banquet tables were filled with a wide variety of covered dishes brought by those in attendance.

**Garden Plain** High School KAYS sponsored the winter homecoming activities. Events culminated with the homecoming basketball game and the coronation of the king and queen.

**Girard** High School Kayettes rang bells at the Pittsburg Wal-Mart for the Salvation Army. Over 80 Kayette members participated in the event. Seventeen members attended the KAY Unit Conference at Labette County High School.

The **Haven** High School KAY Club sponsored a canned food drive. A total of 1,146 cans of food were collected. The food collected was donated to the Haven Food Bank and The Reno County Food Bank.

The **Hiawatha** KAYS sponsored their annual Silent Auction during a Hiawatha football game. All proceeds went to the Missy Newell Memorial Fund. Eight schools attended the Regional Conference hosted by the KAY Club.

The **Horton** High School KAYS hosted their annual Evening of the Arts. This is a night dedicated to the music and art classes at Horton High and a recognition of their special talents.

The **Hoyt-Royal Valley** KAY Club had a very successful year. They sponsored many projects including; Trick or Trunk, Run and Rake, donated diapers and formula to the CPC, gave care packages to soldiers and honored secretaries on Secretary's Day.

Twenty -two members of the **Independence** High School KAY Club raised over \$400 during their 30-hour famine for World Vision. Part of the money will go to the Independence Food Bank and the remainder to World Vision. The Club also collected 323 pound of food for the local food bank.

The **Ingalls** KAY Club raised \$205.50 to help the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Students at Kansas City-Turner High School completed a donation drive to help out two programs sponsored by the Kansas City Police Department. **Kansas City-Turner's** KAY Club gathered stuffed animals and old cell phones in order to help out the department.

The **Kensington Thunder Ridge** KAYS held their first Mother-KAY Banquet in the high school gym. Decorations from the Junior/Senior Prom were used. KAY members modeled their formal banquet attire.

**Kinsley** High School KAY club has a new project, "Pennies for Patients," a fundraising activity for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The club participated in several service projects. The service projects included; a rake and run, trick or treating for the Ronald McDonald House and CANCEL school, an area wide project to collect cans and cancel supervised study for a day if a certain number of cans was collected. Two seniors, Kayla Brake and Tabitha Carothers attended the week long KAY camp held at Rock Springs.

The **Kiowa-South Barber** High School KAYS "Blocked the Door" to raise food for the needy during the holiday season.

Seven members of the **Lindsborg-Smoky Valley** High School KAY Club attended the Area 6 KAY regional Conference at Burrton High School. The Club received the Gold Award.

The **Logan** High School KAY Club hosted their annual Easter Egg Hunt on the lawn of the Logan Assisted Living.

The **Lucas-Luray** KAYS hosted their annual banquet in the High School gym. The theme for this year was "Making Memories". The meal was pot-luck and furnished by those attending.

The **Macksville** Kays and Kayettes hosted their first annual Chocolate Fever. A scrumptious buffet of chocolate items prepared by club members was served in the school's multipurpose room.

Students and staff donated 99 units of blood at the **Maize** KAYS blood drive. All donations were given to the American Red Cross.

The **Moscow** KAY Club hosted a KAY Unit conference at the Moscow High School. Helping the KAY Club were its sponsors, Valerie Thompson and Brett Harp.

Five members of the **Mulvane** KAYS attended the KAY camp held at Rock Springs 4-H Center in Junction City.

**Norton High School** KAYS sponsored "Mr. NCHS," a pageant for Senior KAY guys. The money from admissions went to a charity.

Twenty-five members of the **Norton Junior High** School KAYS Club attended a KAY Unit Conference at Logan High School.

**Oberlin-Decatur Community** Kayettes swept walks downtown as a service project.

**Olathe-California Trail Junior High** KAY Club participated in an exciting new project. They hosted a money drive to purchase livestock for families in need around the world.

Six members of the **Olathe-Frontier Trail Junior High** KAY Club participated in National Youth Service Day at the Harvesters Food Bank.

**Olathe-Prairie Trail Junior High** KAY Club sponsored a Sock Hop and collected socks to send to our soldiers.

**Olathe-Santa Fe Trail Junior High** collected aluminum tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. The collection of tabs allows Ronald McDonald House to serve more families with seriously ill children. The club also hosted a Decorate-a-Door contest. KAYS along with the National Honor Society gathered more than 1,000 bags of food and toys for delivery to Operation Breakthrough.

**Olathe-South** KAY club showed their appreciation to local fireman with baked goods.

**Osawatomie High School** KAY Club wrote letters to soldiers overseas to help with Operation Iraqi Children. OIC was co-founded by Gary Sinise and Laura Hillenbrand.

The **Otis-Bison** KAY Club has had a busy year. They hosted the Unit KAY conference, collected pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House, and many other activities.

**Paola Middle School** KAYS volunteered at an American Red Cross blood drive.

The **Pomona-West Franklin Middle School** KAYS Club had a busy year. Projects include collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House, providing babysitting services, helping with the quiz bowl meet and many other activities.

**Satanta** Kayettes assisted with the annual LTCU Christmas party.

**Scandia-Pike Valley** Kayettes hosted a community breakfast for KAY Citizenship Week. Eight members of the club attended the Area 3 KAY Regional Conference. The Club received their 17<sup>th</sup> consecutive Gold Award.

**Seneca-Nemaha Valley** KAYS nominated three girls and three boys for each class for the Snowball celebration.

The **Sublette** KAY Club earned \$1000.00 from the "Pennies-for Patients" and the "Heart-A-Grams" fund raisers. Activities planned by the club this year includes; Read Across America, Easter Egg Hunts, The Snow Ball Dance, and the Iron Man Volleyball Tournament. They will also be trying several new activities. The members hosted a Grandparents Night and everyone had a good time of fellowship and refreshments. For Earth Day the club planted a tree in front of the high school.

**Sylvan Unified** KAY members became Big Buddies to elementary students for about four weeks. The activity concluded with the revealing of Big Buddies and an Easter Egg Hunt. Seventy percent of KAY members voted it as their favorite club activity. Club members earned points for participation in service projects throughout the school year. Those who had over 1000 points were nominated for candidacy. The club named 2009 Sweetheart contestants; Brandon Broeckelman, Miranda Watson, Ryan Schulteis, Olivia Jensen, Bryant Lovin, and Elise Schulteis. Ryan Schulteis and Elise Schulteis were the reigning King and Queen of Sweetheart Royalty. Students competed in the 2009 Pennies for Patients Campaign benefiting the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

**Uniontown** KAYS helped assist with the preparation for the Red Cross Blood Drive held at the High School. KAY member Cheyenne Wiley was chosen to be the Area 2 KAY president. Cheyenne wants to work on service projects and also a project to benefit cancer research.

The **Winona-Triplains** KAY Club provided assistance to the American Red Cross by helping with the Blood Drive held at the Triplains School for staff and students.

**Yates Center Middle School** KAYS helped elementary students read poems as a part of "Read Across America". The club decorated doors at the Yates Center Health Care and Rehabilitation. Decorations were made by the KAY members.