

Valley Lutheran High School Key Club Newsletter

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Newsletters are emailed to all members and are available on the School Website. Check them out for information on the latest club happenings and volunteer opportunities.

Shoe Boxes for the Homeless



Thanks to the members that helped assemble and wrap the shoe boxes last Thursday. We completed sixty boxes which will be distributed to various homeless shelters through the "Women to Women" program. There are many groups assembling similar boxes for the women in the shelters, but Valley is the only group providing boxes for the men. In past years, the men would help unload and distribute the boxes, but were often disappointed, as all of the boxes were geared for women. Thanks to a grant from the United Way of Saginaw, we are able to fill this need and spread a little Christmas Joy.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing



12/12/2009 - Assisting the Salvation Army, VLHS Key Club members and Saginaw Northwest Kiwanians Brave the cold temperatures to help those in need this Christmas season. (Copied from the Saginaw Northwest Kiwanis newsletter)

On Saturday, we will be ringing the Salvation Army Bell at the grocery store entrance to the Walmart on State Street in Saginaw Township. **If you sign up for any of these time slots, you MUST be there. The kettles must not be left unattended.**

Mobile Food Pantry

Remember the mobile food pantry on Monday, December 21st. Meet at the Neighborhood House, 3245 Russell St. in Saginaw, at 10:00 a.m. or at VLHS at 9:15 to car pool. We need all of the help that we can get, so bring your friends.

There will not be an after school Key Club meeting on Wednesday, December 16th. Happy Exams.

59th Annual Michigan Key Club Convention

The Michigan District Convention is scheduled for Friday, March 19 thru Sunday, March 21 at the Treetops Resort in Gaylord, MI. **Please note that this is during the Spring concert tour.** The cost to attend this event ranges from \$180.00 (quad occupancy) to \$290 (single occupancy) and includes lodging and meals. The deadline for registration and payment is February 12, 2010. Registration packets will be available in January.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Salvation Army Bell Ringing – Saturday, Dec. 19th from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Wal-Mart on Brockway (Grocery entrance).

Mobile Food Pantry – Dec. 21st at the Neighborhood House (3145 Russell Street, Saginaw).

District Convention – March 19-21, 2010 at the Treetops Resort, Gaylord MI. More information will be available in January.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

(Taken from United Way Weekly Listings)

To volunteer your services or to donate goods, please call Karla Brzak at the United Way of Saginaw County 755-0433, Ext. 214, kabrzak@unitedwaysaginaw.org. Or check out our web-based volunteer program at www.1-800-Volunteer.org.

MENTORING volunteers are needed to provide a relationship with a child ages 5-15 for local organization. Volunteers are asked to offer encouragement, support and friendship. Volunteers and kids get together on their own to share fun activities they both enjoy.

CHEMO CAP volunteers are needed to knit/crochet chemo caps. These caps are given to patients who are undergoing treatment for cancer and dealing with hair loss related to their treatments. Yarn is available if needed.

YARN DONATIONS are needed to assist volunteers who make chemo caps for local hospital patients. Volunteers are also needed to knit/crochet chemo caps. Volunteers are an important part of cancer support at our local hospitals.

CANCER RESOURCE CENTER volunteers are needed to become representatives to educate others on cancer related topics. Training will be provided on a variety of subjects relating to cancer and general wellness.

GREETER volunteers are needed to greet clients that have come to get their taxes prepared. Good communication skills required. Volunteers will be responsible for making sure the client has brought all necessary paperwork. Volunteers are asked to work at least a 4 hour shift once a week.

MUSICIANS & VOCALISTS needed by local agency to play the piano, organ, violin, harp or other instruments. Also seeking volunteers who sing or do public speaking to perform at fundraising and community awareness events.

BINGO callers and helpers needed at local organization on Saturdays from 1:00-3:00 pm. Help is needed to transfer patients to bingo from their unit. All ages welcome.