

Oakwood Family Service Night

Thanks to all who attended Family Service Night last month! (It seems SO long ago) Thank you, as well, to those of you who supported this great event for our school, even if you were not able to attend. We had another successful year with **over 250 attendees** (not including our fantastic volunteers, station leads and teachers)!

**As a school community we were able to come together and give back.
Here is what we shared with others in need:**

- ❖ **2 Giant Bins** FULL of non-perishable food items were donated to *IOCP* (right across the street)
- ❖ **7 donated ponytails** were long enough to be sent to *Pantene Beautiful Lengths* for distribution to the *American Cancer Society Wig Bank*!
- ❖ **55 dog toys, 78 cat toys and 4 animal blankets** were made for rescue animals and will be donated to two local non-profits (*Animal Humane Society* (Golden Valley) and *Midwest Animal Rescue* (MARS))
- ❖ **110 Emergency Quick-Release Paracord Bracelets** were sent to US troops via *Operation Gratitude*
- ❖ **620! Sandwiches and 3/4 case of turkey lunch meat** were delivered to *Marie Sandvik Center* to feed the homeless
- ❖ **Over 100 Kids Birthday Party Kits** were delivered to *PRISM* (Golden Valley)
- ❖ **14 winter-themed centerpieces** have been delivered to the *Brookdale Memory Care Community* (Oakwood kids made over **153 painted pinecones** to go into these centerpieces!!)
- ❖ **120 decorated lunch bags** went to the *Wayzata-Plymouth Meals on Wheels* program
- ❖ **104 pounds of Soup Kits (154 individual bags)** for families in need (via *PRISM* in Golden Valley)
- ❖ **152 families learned more about how to volunteer** in the West Metro by stopping by the *Westside Communities in Action* booth
- ❖ **Raised \$248.70** in the Coin Challenge/Snack Stand (both run by the Student Council). Of that, **\$186.53** was donated directly to *IOCP* (**5th grade won the coin challenge** and will earn a party with the remaining 25% of the funds - congrats!)

WHAT AN AMAZING ACCOMPLISHMENT, OAKWOOD FAMILIES -- THANK YOU!

