

**Make A Difference Club
Parent Volunteer Planning Meeting
October 11, 2006**

Thank you to those who were able to attend the planning meeting today. I realize not everyone can attend due to work and other conflicts. **Any thoughts/ideas you have would be greatly appreciated. The following plan is a rough guide for our great year ahead!**

A calendar of meeting dates has been established; as well as, proposed meeting activities. The club meeting dates have been submitted to Mary G. to place on the school club calendar. They are as follows:

**Meeting Date:
October 16th**

Service Activity

Book Worm Angels:

Collect/Donate gently used books to Chicago Public School high risk students. Books will be collected during book fair (10/23-11/3).

Distributed flier to youngest students on 10/16. "Book Worm Angels will pick up books wk of Nov. 6th.

Yellow Ribbon Support Group: Halloween Troop Candy Drive:

Collect candy from classmates after Halloween to be donated to "support group" to distribute to soldiers around the world.

Maggie Peshek will pick up and take candy to "support group".

Proposed Activities:

Decorate classroom collection boxes. Make posters to post around school.

Students will maintain weekly tally of progress. Tallies will be maintained on Make a Diff. Board.

Students will distribute boxes to their classrooms and present service project to class.

Decorate classroom collection boxes to be placed in classrooms during the week of 10/30.

Make posters to be post around school and post the week of 10/30.

November 6th

Book Worm Angels:

Wrap up activity.

Complete classroom tally/count books. Remove religious/text books. Seal boxes. Take boxes to vestibule (5th graders).

Halloween-Treats for Troops:

Wrap up activity.

Weigh candy (3/4). Place in vestibule. Complete classroom tallies.

Draw pictures/letters for troops (2nd).

Adopt a Family:

PH community has opportunity to adopt 3 families from within Palatine community and make their holidays brighter.

Prepare “holiday tree table” and build trees. (6th graders).

Family names to be obtained
From Palatine Township by 11/10. Labels to be on gift tags and on tree by 11/13.
Gifts to be returned to school by 12/1.

December 8th

Adopt a Family:

Wrap up activity.

All students invited to take gifts to Township Center and take tour of center and learn about center’s services.

Holiday Party

Students after tour will have opportunity to celebrate the Club’s accomplishments and enjoy some holiday cheer. Party will take place before school 8:30am.

December ?

Special Olympic Basketball Tourney

Will try to arrange 5/6th grade students opportunity to assist in tourney.

January 8th

Random Acts of Kindness:

Share the gift of kindness and support to a child whose parent is serving abroad in the military. The students will have an opportunity to design/make quilts to provide to Great Lake Naval Base's children.

Design quilt squares. Activity will require a \$2 donation per student.

January 22nd

Random Acts of Kindness:

As above.

Complete quilts.

February 12th

Random Acts of Kindness:

Wrap up activity.

Attempts will be made at having a representative from Great Lakes Naval Base to accept the gifts of quilts from the students. Small Valentine's Club party.

February 26th

Random Acts of Kindness:

Develop project with student council to spread good cheer to fellow students.

April 16th

Spring Clean Up

Reuse – School Book Swap

Work w/Earth Club to trade books w/other students. Left over books will be donated to "Book Worm Angels". Coordinate community effort in spring clean up involve D15 community, Fremd, Plum Grove and local community.

Assist in book swap. Maintain tables during lunch hr. Box donated books. These are proposed activities. Will collaborate activities w/Earth Club.

May 5th

Special Olympic Track Meet

Participate in hosting the hospitality tent for athletes.

5/6 th graders eligible to work at hospitality tent. Will encourage younger club members to make posters to display at track meet.

The following students will be meeting during their lunch recesses:

3rd/4th grade (N=32) 12:10-12:40 pm

2nd/5th/6th grade (N=42). 12:40-1:10 pm

Our numbers remain as high as last year even though our first graders are not participating this year. Our goal will be to try to break-out activities to allow as many hands on activities as possible.