

Food For Thought- Some Ideas For You and Your Family

Our past 6th graders came up with wonderful ideas to share their time and contribute to the community; here are some of the projects in which they engaged:

- ✧ Raise money for *Leukemia* or *Live-Strong* by selling bracelets
- ✧ Volunteer at *Wexner Heritage Village*-read to the residents, play musical instruments, help with bingo on Sundays, help out during the winter holiday vacation.
- ✧ *Habitat for Humanity*- Construct sawhorses and donate to the organization.
- ✧ *Unicef Toys for Tots*- collect funds to support the organization.
- ✧ *Swim For Diabetes*
- ✧ *ORT*- volunteer to help in ORT fundraising events
- ✧ *Interfaith Community Network*- Serve lunch
- ✧ Volunteer to help at *Special Olympics*
- ✧ Collect and set up computers for school
- ✧ Volunteer at *Humane Society*
- ✧ As a family, deliver *Meals-on-Wheels*
- ✧ Collect food and donate to the *Mid Ohio Food Bank*
- ✧ *Ronald McDonald House*- collect books and board games, collect breakfast foods or bake cookies and deliver to the Ronald McDonald House.
- ✧ Participate in *Race-for-The Cure*-raise money and participate in the race to fund cancer research.
- ✧ Collect food for *Lutheran Social Services Food Bank*
- ✧ Collect funds for *BREAD* and attend one or two public social justice gathering
- ✧ *Interfaith Hospitality Network*-reading to children
- ✧ Help at *Safe and Sound Preschool* for homeless children
- ✧ Send packages to the troops in Iraq.
- ✧ Volunteer to play and tutor kids at the homeless center.

Other suggestions for you to consider:

- * Support the troops around the world by sending letters and care packages.
- * Help an elderly family member or neighbor with household chores.
- * Collect and donate old pairs of glasses to the Lions Club or Salvation Army.
- * Become a pen pal with a nursing-home resident.
- * Clean out your closet and take clothes you haven't worn the past year to a shelter.
- * Volunteer at an animal shelter.
- * Collect toiletries for a homeless shelter or domestic violence center.
- * Recycle newspapers and aluminum cans and use the money to support any charity you like.

If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am for myself alone, what am I? If not now, when?
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