

## Holiday Happenings and Acts of Kindness



**US Department of Housing and Urban Development—Van Zandt Guinn** students judged the Toys for Tots contest at the downtown US HUD offices. Pen Pals came face to face to present each student a gift.

- **Broadway Baptist Church**—hosted a holiday store for **Van Zandt Guinn** students where students “shopped” for holiday presents at no charge. They also visited the amazing 10,000 pipe organ.
- **Pier I Imports**—organized a "Clothing Closet" for 109 **E.M. Daggett Elementary** students. Pier I employees furnished clothing items and took photos of the students with their new gifts.
- **Fellowship Corner**—**Van Zandt Guinn Elementary** students sang holiday songs for Adult Seniors at the church.
- **Tim Fleet of Fleet Oil and Gas**—purchased holiday gifts for every **Christine Moss Elementary** student. Santa made a special appearance and Fleet Oil & Gas donated Wal-Mart gift cards to staff.



**Fort Worth Women's Policy Forum**—purchased green school polo shirts, flash drives with the school logo and gift bags for each **Maude Irene Logan Elementary** staff member. They also donated table arrangements for the staff Holiday breakfast.

- **Tarrant County College South Campus**—presented "Holiday at the South Pole: Hope, Prosperity, and New Beginnings" to **Forest Oak Middle School** students. Campus employees presented students with school supplies.
- **Arborlawn United Methodist Church**— organized a teacher appreciation luncheon for **Wedgwood 6<sup>th</sup>** and donated a Wal-Mart gift card to a Wedgwood family.
- **Federal Medical Facility—Carswell**—provided holiday gifts at **Western Hills Primary School** for students.
- **Marian Fort Worth, Inc.**—adopted two **Nash Elementary** siblings and provided holiday gifts. Employees purchase a variety of presents for the children including a new bicycle.
- **Benbrook Water and Sewer Authority**—hosted a **Leonard 6th Grade Center** family for the holidays and provided toys and clothing for all family members.



**Paschal High School Student Council**-- exchanged tokens of appreciation in their Christmas letters to their **Alice D. Contreras Pen Pals**. They also donated games and toys to the school's Angel tree.

- **EECU**—Hulen sponsored a Faculty and Staff Appreciation Breakfast and brought the “Dollar Dog” to **Alice B. Contreras Elementary School** to visit students and distribute coloring books and crayons.
- **Tarrant County College-Northwest**—invited **W.J. Turner Elementary School** students to a theatre performance and a luncheon in the TCC-NW library. Students sent Christmas decorations to the TCC-NW Fire Training Academy.
- **EECU Northside branch**—donated goodie bags to all students at **Kirkpatrick Elementary School**. Branch employees will bring Santa Claus and his helpers to make a special delivery to the students.
- **Brookshire's** grocery—displayed **Westpark Elementary** student holiday artwork in the store during the holidays. The Westpark Choir students sang holiday tunes at Brookshire's grocery.



**Southwest Bank**—invited the **Westcreek Elementary School** choir to perform holiday carols at the bank. Employees hosted a cookies and punch reception.

- **Martin Sprocket & Gear**—organized a food drive to create Christmas gift baskets for five **Paschal High School** families. Gift baskets include a variety of non-perishable food items and gift cards for meat purchases.
- **Aerospace Optimist Club**—provided Payless Shoes gift cards to 94 **H.V. Helbing Elementary School** students. This holiday contribution brightens up Christmas for many families.
- **Range On Line Media**— sponsored a winter carnival event for **Mary Louise Phillips Elementary** students with more than fifty business volunteers attending. Students decorated ornaments and cookies, took photos with Santa and played games.
- **Eastland street Baptist Church**—made donations to the **A. M. Pate** Angel tree and purchased shoes, toys and clothing.



**McMillan United Methodist Church** -participated in the **A.M. Pate** Angel tree and provided Wal-Mart gift cards for each of the ten students they adopted.

- **Akzo Nobel**—bought holiday gifts for twelve “angels” from the **MG Ellis Elementary School** Teddy Bear Angel Tree. Akzo Nobel employees were invited and joined students at the MG Ellis “sing-a-long.”
- **Atmos Energy**—orchestra students from **Morningside Middle School** performed at the Atmos Energy Christmas luncheon. Students and staff then joined in to dine with the group for a traditional holiday meal.

- **The Hill Company**—made a monetary donation to Meadowbrook Middle School for the staff holiday luncheon.



**East Area Council—Fort Worth Chamber/The Hill Company**—will donate gift cards to Meadowbrook Middle School to purchase school uniforms for students.

- **Acme Brick Company**—sponsored two **Daggett Montessori School** families for Christmas. Employees have collected and purchased items to make this a special time of year for the families. They will deliver gifts to the students prior to the holiday break.
- **First United Methodist Church**—participated in the Gift Giving Distribution event at **T.A. Sims Elementary** for all students. They also organized a staff luncheon for the holidays.
- **Greater Fort Worth Association of Realtors**—hosted a Christmas Luncheon to benefit **Greenbriar Elementary** students at the Colonial Country Club. Students in the Music Club performed for the group at the fundraising event.
- **Johnston Legal Group PC**—donated more than 300 blue button-up cardigan sweaters for **I.M. Terrell** students. Employees helped fasten buttons for students as they presented each student with the new addition to the school uniform.
- The Housing Initiatives Committee of **Greater Fort Worth Association of REALTORS**—held a coat drive with employees for **Diamond Hill Elementary School** students. The group presented 30 coats to students for the winter season.



**Holy Family Church/School**—hosted **Boulevard Heights School** students for the Christmas program and provided goodie bags, refreshments and Christmas letters. Holy Family Church members catered a Mexican Luncheon by Pulido's and donated gift certificates for the Boulevard Heights staff.

- **Tarrant County Government**—provided 35 dozen sugar cookies along with cookie decorating kits including icing and sprinkles for **Oakhurst Elementary School** students. The group enjoyed the festive holiday snack.
- **Federal Correctional Institution Fort Worth**—donated items and presented gifts to 20 **David K. Sellars Elementary School** students for the holidays.
- **Ridgmar Bank**—invited **Bruce Shulkey Elementary School** students to perform a holiday concert in their lobby. They also provided a cookies and punch reception.
- **Fort Worth Museum of Science and History**—participated in the **North Hi Mount Elementary School** Angel Tree project. In an effort to bring holiday cheer to students 35 employees purchased special gifts for students listed on the Angel Tree.

- **OmniAmerican Bank-- NAS/JRB Office** adopted students from **Luella Merrett Elementary School** Angel Tree. Employees adopted 25 students and siblings and provided special gifts for these families during the holidays.
- **TxDOT**—employees donated a combined \$2500 in Wal-Mart gift cards and items for 18 **Rosemont Sixth Grade** families. Items included clothes, wrapping paper, holiday candy and food.