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School of the Osage Builders Club collects 1900 pairs of shoes for Clean Water



Pictured above...front row Builder's Club members...Zechariah Depew-Burdette, Aiyana Massie, Georgia Versleus, Nevaeh Henley, McKenzie Winfield, Brittany Whittle.
Back row...helping with the loading...Kiwaniis Secretary, Carol Schien Kiwanis sponsor, Buck Cueni-Smith, Louise Williams, Teacher sponsor Becky Panchot, Jennifer Hoose, Kurt Schien & Shane Landis

Amazing....6th & 7th graders collect 1900 pairs of shoes for charity.

Builders Club is a service focused club sponsored by Ozark Coast Kiwanis at Osage Middle School. The student-led organization provides members with opportunities to perform service, build character and develop leadership. Members help their community throughout the school year. Local Lake of the Ozark projects include the Mobile Food Bank, Christmas Bell Ringing at Walmart, Thanksgiving Food Drive, visiting Nursing Home residents and in 2015 a 2 month long shoe drive for the **Shoeman Water Project...a St. Louis founded charity.**

The 6th and 7th grade students collected 1900 pairs of shoes. These shoes are sold to a bulk exporter that then provides funds to finance a clean water projects. To date several wind driven water well digging and aqueduct water filter systems have been built in five Central America developing countries and Kenya in Africa.

Shoe collection locations through May 12th included ...Faithbridge Church, Harper Chapel, Shane Landis Insurance, Central Bank and Greenview Baptist Church. Lake Fishing Tackle donated boxes for drop-off points.

- New or gently used shoes
- Shoes need to be tied together in pairs
- Monetary Donations...checks made out to Shoeman Water Projects

<http://www.soleawater.org/whatwedo/>



Ozark Coast Kiwanis is one of the largest service organizations at the Lake. All funds raised go back to the Lake Community to support dozens of children focused programs that depend on Kiwanis to fund and run their programs.

Kiwanis fundraisers that you might recognize as sponsored by Kiwanis include :

5K Run/Walk to the Beach over the Community Bridge...April 18, 2015

Annual Peanut Day May 22, 2015

Duck Drop & Duck Drop Golf Tournament July 31 & August 1st 2015

2nd Chance Bikes...year round

Christmas for Kids...December 13, 2015

Plus we provide volunteer support to many community wide events.

Some of the groups that we support/sponsor include: Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boy & Girl Scouts, CADV, Feed The Children, Hope House, Lake Regional Hospital, Parents as Teachers, Share The Harvest, Wonderland Camp, YMCA...Key Club, Key Leader, Builder's Club, College Scholarships.

Kiwanis Club of Ozark Coast was organized in 1988. We have proudly served Lake Community children for 26 years.

We are a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable foundation. Our club members are service-minded men and women from all segments of the community. We meet every Thursday, at **Ozark Yacht Club**, 12 noon to 1:00 pm for lunch, fellowship, discussion of club business, and a program presented by community business people on topics of interest such as community issues, public affairs, service, or entertainment. (Members do not have to attend every week...just when you can and be willing to help volunteer).

We'd love for you to join us for good times as we work together to better the lives of the children in our community. Please join us at our next meeting or contact our Club President for more information.