

# CONNECTION TEAM REPORTS

DECEMBER 2007

## **Berlin High FCCLA**

Reporter: **Lindsey Edwards**

The Berlin FCCLA was busy again throughout the month of December because of the busy holiday season. There were a few community service activities that the members were involved in. We went up to the Coos Nursing Home to help them decorate the activity rooms and then later in the month we returned for the annual tree lighting. There we helped the nurses bring the residents down to the activity room and get them situated. After the tree was lit for all the residents to see we helped serve the refreshment to the residents. The other community service we were involved in was the Christmas shopping at the Good Sheppard Parish. There we put on elf hats and we helped children from the age of three up to age twelve buy Christmas gifts for their family members. The children had limits to what they could spend and their gifts were wrapped so that no one could see what they had purchased. That was a great success and all the money went to a good cause.

The cystic fibrosis Rock A thon was a great success we raised \$543.00 that was sent out this past month. During the Christmas season there were many people in this area that could not afford Christmas gifts. Weather it was because of the mill closing or people just didn't have enough money to buy gifts for their family members. We stepped up and helped those people, we made fudge after school to sell by the pound. The fudge sold for \$ 4.50 a pound and there was over one hundred pounds sold. This gave us the money to purchase gifts for five residents.

## **Cheshire Career Center FCCLA**

Reporters: **Megan Chickering and Krista Sullivan**

We shopped for 6 needy children before the holidays. We bought them toys, clothing and other gifts to try and make their Christmases a little more special.

We are currently working on a hat and mitten drive to collect winter necessities to be given to preschoolers at Wheelock Elementary School this month.

We continue to pass a basket around the classroom periodically, in efforts to raise money for Feed the Children. We are organizing a collection for Feed the Children in all homerooms as well as offices February 11-15th (National FCCLA Week).

The FCCLA sweatshirts which we ordered in November/December have arrived.

We are looking forward to sending several students to Spring Conference this year and are looking into our travel arrangements now.

Monthly meetings are being held with officers.

### **Lurgio Lions FCCLA**

Reporter: **Julia Therrien**

During the month of December, we had very few meetings due to the snow days and cancellations. We meet in the FACS room in the morning. Our chapter worked on the Feed The Children project, trying to raise money by going to local businesses and asking for donations. So far, we've sent in \$205.00. Also to raise funds, the Lurgio Lions FCCLA are sewing tote bags and planning to sell them at the school concert. We planned to have a Christmas party with cookies, snacks, and a Yankee Swap, but it was canceled because of a snow day.

### **Spartans FCCLA**

Reporter: **Cassie Spencer**

We had two meetings in December, all of which were held in Room 129, 75% of our members attended these meetings. Our total affiliation as of today is sixteen members. Our induction ceremony was held on December 17 at 6:00 pm; everyone enjoyed our guest speaker, Mrs. Nora Beaton, share memories of past FCCLA trips and talked about how we are memory makers. We also had our chapter Christmas party on December 19<sup>th</sup>, after school where we made gingerbread houses, everyone had fun.

We are still in the planning stages for our community service projects and fundraisers. We plan to raise money for *Feed the Children* with our fish tank fundraiser which we hope to take place in February, we have also decided to make a quilt and raffle it off to raise money for *Feed the Children*. To raise funds for our chapter we have brainstormed and discussed several ideas. We hope to have our annual rock-a-thon and to host a giant musical chairs tournament, we hope to get these events up and running as soon as possible.

Our next meeting is planned for January 8, we hope to discuss other community service project ideas and to begin planning fundraisers.