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Walk-A-Thon by Conrad

The 2nd Annual Kemmerer Village Walk-A-Thon took place on a breezy sunny morning on 9/17/11. Over 1,000 laps were walked by all of our residents totaling 121 miles. Every resident on campus had multiple pledges from staff and/or from individuals in nearby communities. Watching our youth walk/jog/run as many laps as they could to raise as much as they could for this cause was heart warming. Everyone put out a lot of effort on this day as each resident had an hour total to get in as many laps as possible. We raised a total of \$785.25. All proceeds will benefit the St. John's Children's Hospital. A few residents will travel with staff to the St. John's Children's Hospital within another week or so to deliver the pro-

ceeds to the hospital. Our youth will get a chance to learn about the St. John's Children's Hospital and will get a chance to meet some of those who are a part of

ful one. This wouldn't had been possible if it wasn't for each and everyone of you stepping up to the plate to help our teens make a difference in the lives of others. This event really helped our teens build empathy and altruism toward others. We hope to continue to make our community outreach program at Kemmerer Village successful.



the St. John's Children's Hospital Organization.

We wanted to take a moment to just thank you for everyone's contributions and efforts in making this Walk-A-Thon a success-

2011 Knights Soccer Season by Karley

This soccer season has been outstanding. We had a girls and boys team that had great sportsmanship throughout the season. The boys went 6-0 during the regular season while the girls went 4-1-1. On October 1, 2011 the following players attended

the IIAA State Soccer Tournament in Springfield: Kayci, Barbara, Tierra, Brenda, Trivia, Breanna, Deshawn, Shak, DonTrez, Lucas, and I all went to play soccer as a team. We played three games and won two out of three games. Our first game we lost 3

to 0. Our next game the team won 6 to 4. Our third game we won 4 to 2. We got first place in our bracket. Another awesome thing about our wonderful soccer tournament was that we had perfect sportsmanship scores.

Knights Soccer cont.....

At the end of the games we all took pictures, got to receive trophies, and the whole team got medals. After the game we went out to Steak N' Shake for a wonderful celebration and all of us walked off that field a very happy team.

caramel, and a veggie tray with ranch. We also received wonderful awards for our individual accomplishments. This will be a season to remember!!

Then, on Wednesday October 5, 2011 we had a banquet to celebrate our achievements through the soccer season. We had a wonderful cake, fried chicken, chips, salad, fruit tray with



Positive Staff/Residents of September by Katy

.Kemmerer Village has recently been recognizing the most positive staff and residents on campus for each day. Throughout the month of September De-shaun earned the positive resident award 7 times

while Breanna earned the award 5 times.

As far as staff goes Vickie Meyer and Chris Jenkins each had the positive staff award twice in September. I would also like to congratulate Ms. Natasha

Young on earning the recent staff of the month award in October.

Stay Packet Free With a Positive Attitude by Kayci

A lot of people think packet is the end of the world but its not its just a minor set back. Don't let it affect the progress you are making. We almost always see and hear residents get mad and say I don't care any more but that's not having a good and positive attitude, and it doesn't help you make progress to get off packet. Packets are a little consequence compared to the big picture outside of here. Think about it a lot of people are living there lives out in prison because of their attitude. Try to learn from the packet so that you don't commit the same mistakes again. Again, packets are not the end of the world.



Interview with Megan Buck by Philip

Megan Buck is a staff of Kemmerer Village. She has been working at KV for 7months. Megan was born in Decatur IL. She grew up in Clinton Iowa. When she was 14 years old she moved back to Decatur. When she was younger she enjoyed playing flashlight tag, and she was a swimmer as well as a skater. When she was 16 she got her first job at Ventures she was a stocker in the electronic and toy department and was a cashier. Before Megan worked at KV, she worked at Teen Challenge in Decatur, which is a female residential facility. Megan is a certified cosmetologist. Megan enjoys the people she works with and giving youth wisdom and feedback, which is why she chose to work at Kemmerer Village. That's the story of Megan Buck.



Kemmerer Village Fantasy Football Pick-Em League by Karley



During NFL football season which is 17 weeks the residents at KV get to do fantasy football. Like NFL football season KV's fantasy football goes on for 17 weeks. Each week each resident has the chance to participate in fantasy football by picking his/her favorite teams. The residents that do participate in fantasy football can qualify to win 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place. If a resident gets 1st place each week he or she will receive \$5.00. If the resident were to win 2nd place or 3rd place he or she would get a Gatorade.

In fantasy football each resident can miss two weeks and still be eligible for the grand prize which is a NFL jersey of the winner's choice. If the resident gets 2nd place the he or she will be receiving \$10.00 and a Gatorade. Also, the 3rd place winner will get a prize which is a Gatorade and \$5.00.



Trivia by Brooke

Try your hand at answering the impossible questions:

Name _____

1. What is the Canadian's favorite sport?
2. What is the abbreviation for Iron on the periodic table?
3. What is the first color a pumpkin turns when it grows?
4. How many keys are on a computer keyboard?
5. How many smart boards are in the Kemmerer Village school?
6. What 2 colors are the

symbol for Halloween?

7. How many bones are in the human hand?

8. What are pumpkins mostly made of?

9. How much money does the American population spend on Halloween candy?

Answers from previous newsletter

1. Willis Tower (Sears Tower)

2. 13 colonies

3. 1861-1865

4. Kobe Bryant

5. "It is finished."

6. 525,600

7. New Mexico

Happy Birthday

Shakelle 10/18 Bailey 12/5

Katy 10/22 Moneaka 12/7

Nykia 11/5 Waylon 12/28

Dontrez 11/18

Barbara 11/26



Crazy Illinois Laws by Taylor

Normal-IL

It is against the law to make faces at dogs.

Orland Park-IL

No pool tables are allowed in a public establishment, because it supports gambling.

Ottawa IL

Spitting on the sidewalk is a criminal offense.

Peoria IL

Basketball hoops may not be installed on a driveway.



I Smurf

I Smurf when I walk
I Smurf when I talk
I Smurf when I sit
I Smurf when I throw a fit
I Smurf when I listen
I Smurf when I glisten
I Smurf when I shower
I Smurf when I am in a tower
I Smurf when I am sick
I Smurf when I kick
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By: Andy



What is Love?

In this life we all run into
people that we think we love.
But how do we know when
we really love someone?
Not many people know. But
what my thought is about love
is when you know that, that person
will do anything for you, even if
you treat that person really bad and that person
still cares enough for you that,
that person will still be there for
you. That's what I think love is.

By: Taylor

