

Kiwanis Supports Community Programs Serving the Children of the World

By Michael Davis, President, Kiwanis Club of Niceville-Valparaiso

NICEVILLE, Florida, October 22, 2008 – Hot Boiled Peanuts! Kiwanis Club of Niceville-Valparaiso served up its famous hot boiled peanuts during the Boggy Bayou Mullet Festival. Over a thousand dollars were raised to support community programs like Children In Crisis (<http://www.childrenincrisisfl.org>) and the Niceville High School Key Club (<http://nhskey.com>).

Nine-hundred pounds of regular and Cajun hot boiled peanuts were sold in addition to roasted peanuts. Just about 700 bottles of water and soft drinks were also sold.

“I have never even seen boiled peanuts”, said new Kiwanian and first year peanut booth organizer, Sharon Conley, “but they are good. I couldn’t stop eating them once I got started. It’s a rather large production to pull off but I had help from many Kiwanis members to setup and of course the Key Club was there to help sell and clean-up.” Sixty-three different Key Club members worked 76 shifts and put in a total of 150 community service hours. The Key Club also collected donations towards their participation in American Cancer Society’s Relay For Life on May 1, 2009 at Niceville High School.

The Kiwanis Club of Niceville-Valparaiso (<http://www.niceville-valparaiso-kiwanis.org/>) meets Thursdays at 7:00 AM, 100 College Blvd, Bldg K (College Mall), Northwest Florida State College in Niceville.

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Key Club International Trustee, Robbie Cocchiarella, and NHS Key Club President, Victoria Hunter serve fellow member Emily Parsons.

Jim Bailey Middle School Builder’s Club “Boo Gram” Project

By Eileen Brotherton, Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon, Public Relations Chairwoman

The Builder’s Club of Jim Bailey Middle School new officers for school year 2008-2009 are Alyssa Ko, President; Cheryl Coleman, Vice President; Skye Schick, Secretary; and Ariana Gonsalves, Treasurer. They hit the floor running, as they began their new year in Builder’s Club. Not only did they have a new record high attendance at their October 16 meeting (37) but they also put their first fund-raising goal for the new year into action as they made Posters and “Boo-Grams”; 812 “Boo Grams” were sold for Halloween over the three-day sale. “Boo Grams” consist of a piece of candy in a card that sells for \$.50 each and will be sold at Halloween. The kids

love them and give them to fellow students... sort of like Valentines cards at Valentines. The funds raised for the “Boo-Grams” will be used to provide clothes, toys and food for a family selected from the Christmas Angel Tree. Last year they contributed \$250.00 to provide a Christmas for a family that would not have had any presents if it had not been for their contribution. The Builder’s Club is sponsored by Kiwanis Club of Big Lagoon; under the leadership of Charles Shaffer, Kiwanis Club Advisor; and School Advisors Michelle Schick, Ruth Lynn, and Kevin Thomas.



L/R Eileen Brotherton, Big Lagoon Public Relations Chairwoman, shows Builder Club members waiting for school doors to open articles and photos of them in the Public Relations Scrapbook

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