

Lew-Port Builders Cub Makes a Difference

Builders Club is a student-led community service organization that is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Lewiston. This club provides Lew-Port middle school students with the opportunity to help others, to serve their community and school, and to build a positive future for themselves. In January, Builders Club sold bandanas and animal shaped lollipops to raise money for the Friends of the City of Buffalo Animal Shelter. They also collected pet supplies to help the dogs and cats at the shelter. Builders Club has helped the community in many ways since the beginning of the school year. They started out by working at the Peach Festival Food Tent. Next they walked the beach at Ft. Niagara to clean the beach from all the plastic and litter. During the Mighty Niagara Half Marathon, Builders Club volunteers stood and gave out water to the runners. Builders Club also helped at the Youngstown Halloween Party, organized the district wide Coat Drive and Food Drive, were Santa's helpers at the Youngstown Children's Christmas Party, organized a collection of hats, mittens, and scarves for the Afghan refugees, and collected toys for the Box of Caring. Builders Club is looking forward to many upcoming volunteer opportunities such as selling ribbons for World Cancer Day, the Alzheimer's Awareness Campaign, a fundraiser for Diamond Blackfan Anemia, and the Lewiston Earth Day Clean Up where they plan to pick up trash in the Village of Lewiston. In addition, Builders Club volunteers will be assisting the Key Club by selling Niagara Chocolate Candy Bars to raise money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Being in the Builders Club has made me feel like I can be included in what the town is doing, and I can make a difference in the community.

-Builders Club Secretary
James Scully