

PEGASUS Service Project- “Adopt-a-Family” 2007

The PEGASUS Program completed the second annual “Adopt-a-Family service project this fall semester, collecting funds to adopt two families and provide them a Christmas they would not otherwise have had; two single mothers attending South Plains College were chosen.

The collection process was a huge success. The week following Thanksgiving break students sat outside the student union building, for five hours per day to collect change from their peers.

Efforts paid off; at the end of the week we raised a total of \$584.10. Other donations for the project were collected at the PEGASUS Winter Bash from PEGASUS participants, and from a sorority that one of our Mentors is in. The grand total was \$850.00.

PEGASUS Mentors and Participants volunteered to do the shopping and purchase the gifts for the two mothers and their children. Shopping was done with suggestions from the mothers on types of things to purchase for their children, such as items to inspire artistic expression and themes items from Disney’s Cars, and Spiderman. The gifts for the mothers were functional but very nice. Typically, mothers who are in a situation of lower income may not receive gifts for holidays, as was stated by both when the gifts were delivered. PEGASUS Mentors and Participants had a wrapping get-together, preparing the gifts to be delivered.

On Monday December 17th, 2007 Jodi Gonzalez, PEGASUS Coordinator, and Amanda Chapman, Community Service Program Assistant, delivered the gifts to two very grateful parents and children. One gift was opened by each family member at the time of delivery, and the look on the children's and mothers' faces were priceless.

The following gifts were presented to the families:

Family Gifts:

- Hewlett-Packard Digital Camera with 2 GB memory card
- Voucher for a food box from South Plains Food Bank
 - Contents of the Food Box:
Ham or Turkey, Cranberry Sauce, Canned Green Beans, Corn, Asparagus and Peas, Canned Fruit Cocktail, Applesauce, Peaches and Pineapple, Fresh Grapefruit, Apples, Potato Flakes, Frozen Biscuits, Chicken Bites, Pizza, French Fries and Donuts, Pasta (elbow macaroni, egg noodles), Pasta Sauce, Evaporated Milk, 2% Milk, Cereal (Corn Flakes), Dried Fruit, Chicken Broth, Sodas

Family One:

Mom

Satchel Tote Bag
Abalone Flower Necklace
Pajama Pants
Slipper Socks
DVD- You’ve Got Mail/ Must Love Dogs
James Patterson Novel
Bath and Body Works Products:
Lotion
Body Spray
Shower Gel

Son (Age 5):

Long Sleeve Shirt
Short Sleeve Shirt
Dress Shirt
Cars Hat and Glove Set
Tennis Shoes
Cars Coloring Pillowcase
Color Wonder Set- Cars
DVD-Road to El Dorado
Cars Lego Set
Pajama Set

Bubble Bath
Aromatherapy Soaps

Lounge Chair
Piggy Bank with \$7.00 in change

Family Two:

Mom:

Satchel Tote Bag
Sterling Silver Heart Necklace
Pajama Pants
Slipper Socks
DVD- Kate and Leopold/ Serendipity/ Wimbledon
Bath and Body Works Products:
 Lotion
 Body Spray
 Shower Gel
 Bubble Bath
 Aromatherapy Soaps

Boy (Age 3):

Spiderman Activity Book
Color Wonder Set
8 Pack- Spiderman Game Set
Velcro Ball-Dart Set
Spiderman Bath Set
Khaki Pants
Polo Shirt
T-Shirt
Hot Hoops Basketball Game
Pajamas
Piggy Bank with \$7.00 in change

Boy (Age 6):

Crayola Tools Combo Tray
Color Splitz Art Set
148 Art kit
Table-top Air Hockey Game
Khaki Pants
Polo Shirt
T-Shirt
Long Sleeve Shirt
DVD- Little Rascals
Pajamas
Transformer Bath Set
Piggy Bank with \$7.00 in change

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