ASEA In Action



Ketchikan Chapter Busy With Community Events

The Ketchikan Chapter has been busy volunteering their time for community events. They started by decorating 3 vehicles for Halloween, with 25 large bags of candy, 50 glow bracelets and 100 spider rings. Several hundred kids showed up in a non-stop line



from 5:45 p.m. to 7 p.m. It was a wonderful event and a lot of fun. A good event for annual participation.

Next, the Ketchikan Chapter members volunteered their time during the local Tongass Substance Screening health fair on November 8th. ASEA members also helped in the registration area passing out paperwork and explaining the process. They collected payments in the pay stations and guided clients to their blood draw locations. TSS greatly

appreciated our help and looks forward to making this an annual event.

Back Row: (Left to Right) Joy Erickson, Kinda Hansen, Donna Gellings, Misty





Archibald, Jenn McGarrigan Front Row: (Left to Right) Kathy Spurgeon, Heidi Erickson, Charlene Lewis, Sabra Lichty-Muzzana

The last event for the year was the donation of a Christmas tree to the "Enchanted Forest Auction" December 6th. Our ASEA tree went from "Government to Glamorous" with the vision of member Lorene Slanaker and help from members Charlene Lewis and Jenn McGarrigan and Lorene's husband Clark. \$200 worth of gift certificates to some of the places our members like to have lunch, were hung on the tree and raised \$400.00 for the Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce.

Important Dates For 2015

Nominations & Election Of

State Executive Board

January 20, 2015 NOON - Deadline for receipt of Nomination Petition Forms, Constitutional Amendments and Official Candidate Statement Forms

February 13, 2015 - Ballots Mailed to members

March 19, 2015 - ELECTION DATE

April 2, 2015 - Officer Run-off election ballots mailed out, (if needed)

May 4, 2015 - Run - off election Date (if needed)

Election Materials are available on line at www.afscmelocal52.org

Other Important Dates

<u>February 18 & 19, 2015</u> - Chapter Presidents & E-Board Meeting in Juneau

<u>February 19 & 20, 2015</u> - State Executive Board Meeting in Juneau





Yukon Kuskokwim Chapter Holiday Donation

Yukon Kuskokwim Chapter members donated \$2000 to the Office of Children Services to help foster children in the region! Chapter steward Lynn Carlson, (aka Santa's little elf) personally did all the shopping in Anchorage and online to pull together the extensive gift list for recipients!

Items included, but were not limited to: 20 duffle bags, 150 hot wheel cars, 3 baby dolls, 3 Barbie dolls, 4 sleds, many hats, socks, scarfs, mittens, coloring books and crayons, DVDs, jewelry kits, hygiene items and one Tonka truck! I am sure someone can put this list to a jingle if they really wanted to. This is the short-short list! There were over 70 children in need of presents and items for daily living!

The membership saw another critical need in our community and donated \$1000 to the Bethel Lions Club food bank to help our neighbors and families in the region. Lion's Club board member Marty Langlois graciously accepted the check presented by the membership to help purchase food items for the bank.

ASEA YK Chapter members who live and work among our friends and family, neighbors and strangers see the daily needs of those who could use a hand and we are grateful during this time of year to be able to assist. Whether it's food or clothing, a little extra something under the tree, a smile or a hug, State of Alaska employees work hard, play hard and give from the bottom and the top of our hearts and wish everyone Happy Holidays and a prosperous New Year! - Steve Gentle, YK Chapter President