

Lake Oswego Interact Club at Oregon City Homeless Center

Activity Report of 9/4/2015 by Ted Ricks

The second activity for the club came as a brainstorming idea to: 1) Fulfill an educational need; 2) Meet the needs of local homeless families; and, 3) Provide school supplies for the beginning of the school year. So, the members decided to find a local school district that had a homeless liaison representative who could help them identify families that needed school supplies for their elementary-junior high students. With the help of Dr. Bill Korach, they found a contact person at the Oregon City School District.

With generous donations from Sharon Starr and Bill Korach, David Boden of LO HS, and Rachel Winningham with Greg Bisbjerg of Lakeridge HS, had a budget of \$450 to spend. That included: backpacks, binders, binder dividers, packs of 100 sheets of paper, sets of highlighters, sets of Crayola marking pencils, scissors, rulers, and glue bottles.



Three members of the club met early on Friday, September 4 at the Oregon City shopping mall with a researched list of items and their prices and shopped at Walmart, Target, and the Dollar Store to buy all that went into 12 backpacks that they sorted in the trunk of their car.



With the dozen filled backpacks in hand, these LO Interactors posed with the backpack and delivered them to the Oregon City liaison who happily greeted them and thanked them profusely for their generosity and service to the community.

