



## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Kreilein Earns Prestigious Award

Whether it's singing German folk songs or mastering the past tense of foreign words, Dr. Kreilein's classes may seem very alien to outside observers. But one fact is never lost in translation: Kreilein's passion for the language he loves. It is this dedication that has recently been recognized by the Wisconsin Association of Foreign Language Teachers for the prestigious Foreign(WAFLT) Educator of 2011 on Nov. 4.

The highly revered instructor of German language and culture is being given this award in his 44th and final year of teaching at MUHS. His classes are known for their relaxed and open environment, a reflection of Kreilein's calm demeanor. This atmosphere produces

## Feeding the Hungry, One Basket at a Time

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The Christmas Basket Program is an annual tradition at Marquette High. Every year, under the leadership of the Key Club, MUHS homerooms sponsor a family in need by providing them with a basket filled with food for the Christmas season.

The program began as a theology service project. However, after a few successful years the program gained schoolwide acceptance and Key Club took over the project. Soon, the Marquette community welcomed the Christmas baskets as a schoolwide service project.

The process begins with each homeroom receiving the name and information of the families that they sponsor. The number of families that each homeroom is asked to sponsor is dependent on the size of the homeroom.

The process continues with the homerooms gathering necessary funds



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and shopping for food that they will deliver. While Key Club does provide the option of delivering the baskets, many homerooms choose to deliver the boxes themselves.

The program this year was spearheaded by the efforts of Key Club advisors, Mrs. Annette Cleary, Mr.

Mike Neubeck, and president Chris Klotsche. The project was also coordinated by a group consisting of six student co-chairs: Ben Teich, Tom Zastrow, Tom Boffeli, James Christian, Tom Kiesling, and Michael Drees.

This core group met on various nights and weekends throughout the

semester to better organize the event. With their coordination, MUHS sponsored a staggering amount of families this season.

In order to orchestrate the event, students received an additional homeroom period. Students were also dismissed at 12:26. Many Key Club members were exempt from classes that day in order to put the finishing touches on the baskets and so they could be sent promptly at the end of school.

"This year, we were able to sponsor 109 families within the surrounding areas," said Klotsche.

Klotsche commented, "What really makes this program special, is that it is not just a Key Club event, it is an MUHS community event that allows for the entire community to take part and it is really outstanding how we can deliver to over 100 families year in and year out, and how the Marquette community really steps up to the challenge each year."