

## Kids Against Hunger Presents Jeff Allen (July 28th, 2010)

Jeff Allen, "the world's funniest, most inspiring comedian" is coming to Mankato (MN) for a show to benefit Kids Against Hunger! Jeff will be performing live at Crossview Covenant Church in Mankato on Thursday, August 12th at 6:00 p.m. At \$10 per ticket (\$12 at the door), this is a great, inexpensive way to show your support for Kids Against Hunger and spend a fun evening with your family and friends. Please see the flyer below for additional info or call (507) 387-5606.



## Kiwanis Convention a Great Success (June 29th, 2010)

Kids Against Hunger was represented at the Kiwanis International Convention 2010, held June 23rd-26th in Las Vegas, NV. Our main objectives for attending the convention were to:

- Present Kids Against Hunger as a potential new service project for local Kiwanis clubs
- Provide information to attendees interested in setting up their own Kids Against Hunger satellite
- Increase awareness and support for Kids Against Hunger's cause



Kiwanis International is a global organization of volunteers of all ages dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. They accomplish this through service projects and packaging food for Kids Against Hunger has been a project for many clubs in the USA and Canada. Several of our Kids Against Hunger satellites were started by Kiwanis clubs and Kiwanis of Michigan adopted Kids Against Hunger as its statewide project. Kids Against Hunger was a

semi-finalist to be the next Kiwanis Worldwide Service Project. Despite all the individual club and district support we received, the Eliminate Project was chosen by the international committee instead. Pictured above are Las Vegas Key Club members promoting the project to



eliminate tetanus while they package food for starving children at Kids Against Hunger's convention booth. Although not the official Worldwide Service Project, we look forward to the continuing support of Kiwanis clubs as we both strive to help the children of the world.

Kids Against Hunger's staff spoke with hundreds of Kiwanians over the four-day event. We are now working through dozens of solid leads and are confident that we will soon be setting up new food packaging locations in Nevada, South Carolina, Washington, and Pennsylvania. Keep

checking our web site for new satellites opening up near you!

## **Photos from Project 81 in Haiti (June 16th, 2010)**

Our Mankato office has started partnering with **Project 81** for its latest food relief efforts in **Haiti**. Below are some of the pictures they have just sent us:



Some of the people that were fed by Project 81 had not received any relief food since the earth quake hit back in January! As the lines grew, what has happened so many times before

happened again: even though many thousands were able to obtain food - like this happy boy - many still wait in line, with no food left.



Please come in and help us make more food; please donate whatever you can afford.



### **Kiwanis Convention Coming Up & Food Shipments (June 15th, 2010)**

Kids Against Hunger will be at the [International Kiwanis Convention](#) in Las Vegas next week (June 23-26 at the Las Vegas Convention Center). Come visit us at booth NP13 and register to win a free Ipod Touch!

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In the last two months, the New Hope Headquarters of Kids Against Hunger and its food packaging division in Mankato, MN, have provided 2.8 million meals to their partnering organizations. A large portion of that food (approx. 1.7 million meals) is on its way to Haiti and the remaining meals will be distributed to families in need in several countries in South East Asia (including Cambodia, Vietnam, and the Philippines) and within the USA.

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About a month ago, Larry Langston, Kids Against Hunger's Intl. Development Director had the opportunity to join a small group of people on a trip to Haiti and to visit one of the orphanages where Kids Against Hunger's food is being distributed. The Director of the orphanage shared with the visitors how grateful she is for being able to provide Kids Against Hunger's high-nutrition meals to the children. There are as many as 700 children in need of food at her orphanage, but since the earthquake, an additional strain is being put on the facilities and resources of those non-governmental organizations operating in Haiti's countryside due to the large number of refugees from Port-Au-Prince. Although the media have moved on to other news items, rebuilding Haiti's infrastructure will take a long time and Kids Against Hunger will continue to provide meals to our feeding partners on the ground.

## **Impressions from Our Million Meal Packaging Event (May 23rd, 2010)**

[Click here](#) for some great pictures from the recent "One million meal packaging event" in Rockwall and Heath, Texas.

## **One Million Meal Packaging Event in Partnership with "Rachel's Challenge" (Apr. 28th, 2010)**

On May 6th, 2010, Rockwall (Texas) ISD will put its theme of "Others Before Self" to work by recruiting volunteers from throughout the community to package a million meals in a day for local food banks and families in Haiti. Hundreds of students, teachers, staff and public volunteers will make this miracle in conjunction with **Kids Against Hunger** and Rachel's Challenge, a school program that encourages kindness and compassion in honor of Rachel Scott, one of the students killed in the Columbine shooting.

The school district currently is seeking hundreds of volunteers to help complete this third annual communitywide project. Anyone who will be able to volunteer to help package meals should log on to the [Rockwall ISD Web site](#) and click on the "One Million Meals Volunteer Form" located on the home page. There are three time slots available - 9-11 a.m., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and 1-3 p.m. Volunteers are welcome to work multiple time slots.

The cost for each meal is 23 cents, and the district has received a donation that will cover half of the total cost. Currently, the district is lining up underwriters to fund the remaining meals. Additional info can be found on the [ISD's web site](#) or [this article](#) in the local newspaper.

## **More New Satellites & New Video (Apr. 14th, 2010)**

We all know that a picture is worth 1,000 words. Check out our newest YouTube video showing our involvement in Haiti after the recent earthquake. Please let us know how you like it and share it with your friends, too. [Click here to watch it.](#)

More news: the Kids Against Hunger Headquarters have been busy setting up new food packaging satellites - practically two a week for the last month! Help us welcome ten NEW satellites all across the country already in 2010!

Satellites are the backbone of our organization. Increasing the number of Kids Against Hunger meals depends upon increasing the number of "satellite" packaging locations. Each Kids Against Hunger satellite is an independent nonprofit organization licensed through the Headquarters office in New Hope, MN, to use the Kids Against Hunger name, meal formula, and food packaging process. The actual food packaging is done by volunteers, and each Satellite Director determines where the meals his/her team packages are distributed - with a portion donated to local food shelves and the remainder sent overseas. Interested in setting up your own satellite? [Click here](#) for more info.

## **Third Annual Bowl-A-Thon in Mankato (Mar. 29th, 2010)**

Join Kids Against Hunger's Mankato (MN) branch for its third annual Bowl-A-Thon! This is a great opportunity to bring together coworkers, friends, and family!

Date: Friday, May 14th, 2010

Time: 4:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

Location: Wow! Zone (2030 Adams Street, Mankato, MN)

Goal: Feed 100,000 kids by raising \$23,000

[Click here](#) for details and to sign up.

## **Over 48 Million Meals Packaged in 2009 (Mar. 25th, 2010)**

Reports for 2009 have now been finalized and we are proud to announce that the combined efforts of 67 active Kids Against Hunger satellites, divisions, and affiliated organizations have led to more than **48 million meals** being packaged and shipped to 42 countries in 2009 - including Haiti, Guatemala, Honduras, Kenya, Mexico, Nicaragua, Tanzania, and Swaziland - as well as local shipments to food shelves right here in the USA. We would like to thank each and every one of the 171,000 volunteers involved in this process for their commitment to our cause and for their support!

Since its start in 1999, Kids Against Hunger has provided a total of 162 million meals to children and families in need in 65 countries.