



SKY

Simple Kindness for Youth
simple kindness, enduring effect.

Spring/Summer 2015



MTU'S WADSWORTH HALL HELPS SKY

Tammy Monette, a custodian from MTU's Wadsworth Hall, has taught the students on the 2nd floor important life lessons they may not learn in their classes. Tammy noticed how much is sometimes thrown away at the end of the school year, and decided to recruit students in helping her to help others. Tammy and the students put together a community recycling area in their hallway as students were packing up for the summer. They gathered food for the food pantry, clothing for Goodwill and aluminum cans to be recycled for SKY. Pictured are Tammy and some of the students presenting SKY with a check for \$535.

STUDENTS HELPING STUDENTS

If you were fortunate enough to be at the Calumet Theatre on February 28th, you saw some of the best up and coming musicians and talents the Copper Country has to offer. The local Student Leadership Committee

put on another successful Reach for the SKY Talent Show. Students not only shared their musical and dance talents, but also organized and promoted the entire event.



Another event that students put on this year was the Chili Chase for Charity. This was the second time the Houghton High National Honor Society put on this successful cross country ski race, serving chili afterward in the school cafeteria.

WHAT HAVE SKY GRANTS BEEN USED FOR THIS YEAR?

When SKY first began, we wanted to make sure that teachers and other professionals working with students had the ability to help out when they saw students in need. We decided that grants could be

used for whatever they thought might have a positive impact on the students they work with. Some of the more frequent grants this year have been prom attire, books for the summer, winter clothing, and extracurricular fees. We've also been happy to provide grants for things we might not have thought of, like science fair materials, hair cuts, and an iPad for a student with autism. Since it's beginning, SKY has given out \$52,000 in grants to support our local students.

What's NEXT?

Get your walking and running gear ready for the 2nd Chassell Lion's 2K/5K Fun Run for SKY!!! The event will take place along with other Strawberry Festival events on July 11th, 2015 at 8AM. This is a picturesque trail



that starts on the Chassell trails behind the Chassell Heritage Center. For more information visit ChassellStrawberryFestival.com

SKY Mission Statement

The SKY mission is to help young people build and maintain their self-esteem by providing means to access basic needs, enable them to feel accepted by their peers and enable access to educational activities and community participation.

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A Few Thank You Notes from Grant Recipients (Unedited)

"Thank you for allowing me to build my project. It means alot to me. It makes me feel acomplished to see it and use it everyday. It wouldve been hard to make it without you guys"



"Dear Simple Kindness for Youth, Thank you for the new snowpants, jacket, boots, gloves, hat, and a face mask. My new clothes keep me warm. Now at recess we can play Firefighters."



"I can't thank you enough for the scholarship for Key Club's DCON. The opportunity means so much to me and it will help me learn how to better serve the community. Keep doing amazing things - you make the world a better place. "

"Thank you for giving me some money to get my trumpet "



"Thank you for the new shoes I got. My feet are very comfortable. I use them for gym and I go to work at ST. Vincent DePaul ."



"Thank you for the money for the graphing calculator. I use it everyday in Alg. I'm planning on using it in college ."



"Dear SKY, Thank you very much for the grant. My shoes were barley holding together and my dad had some money troubles this Christmas so it was cool not having to worry about that. I also got some socks because my feet were cold. "

"Thank you SKY for your donation. Your donation has helped me so I can go to camp. Because of you, I have an opportunity that every kid has. I appreciate it. I can't thank you enough."



"Dear SKY, I would like to say thank you for me with my prom. I used the money to buy these amazing black dress shoes that I'm also using for my graduation. I bought a tux with a vest and tie. I had one of the best times of my life. Thank you!



Dear SKY, Thank you very much for the bag of books. My favorite book that you gave me istrat or tratats. I really like it because I libe tCtrs. Thanks you for helping me to have more books to read at home "

HOW YOU CAN HELP If you are interested in supporting the mission of Simple Kindness for Youth, please see our website www.simplekindnessforyouth.org. Call 482-4250, ext 168, or send donations to:

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