



# Service Learning News

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Dear Parents,

### Williard Food Pantry

The **first grade** continues their ongoing collection of nonperishable food for the Williard Food Pantry. This month students are collecting **ramen soup, toothpaste and toothbrushes**. Last month Mrs. Tomschek's **eighth grade advisory** hosted the Old Trail School Café for the Middle School. Students raised \$140 for the Williard Food Pantry.



### Pennies for Peace Update

Thank you for your support of the Fifth Graders Pennies for Peace project! The **Intermediate School** raised \$283.60. The proceeds will go to the Central Asia Institute and will help provide community-based education and literacy programs to more than 28,000 students in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

### Recycling

For many years the sixth grade teachers have organized the paper recycling project at Old Trail School. Mrs. Patterson, **Middle School** performing arts and sixth grade reading teacher, has helped lead this initiative. During their advisory period, once a month, **sixth grade students** scour the halls for bags of recycling. Students also empty the paper recycling receptacles where the copiers are located throughout the school.



A local company, River Valley Paper, empties the large green bin located at the end of parking lot near Noble Hall. Old Trail School parents are also encouraged to use the green bin for recycling newspapers and magazines.

### Charity Evaluation Web Sites

You may be considering donating to a cause in support of Haiti. Before you donate to any organization, you may want to check them out on one of the web sites listed below. Both sites provide great tools in evaluating your charity of choice or finding a charity you can trust.

<http://www.charitynavigator.org/>

<http://www2.guidestar.org/>

Serving together,

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