

Community raises \$247.10 for breast cancer



Troop 30031 with their Yoplait lid collection boxes. In the center of the group is Kay Parent in pink ball cap. Kay, a breast cancer survivor and president of the Breast Cancer Task Force of the Greater Miami Valley, spoke to the girls about her experiences as a girl scout and how proud she is of their efforts to help find a cure for the disease.

Girl Scout Troop 30031 turned trash into cash by collecting and counting 2,471 Yoplait yogurt lids in 2010! Yoplait donates 10 cents for every lid to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, so that's \$247.10! In October, the scouts created collection boxes and distributed them around town to the school offices, Wright Library, the OCC, and other community buildings. In December, they collected the boxes and counted their treasure!

While decorating their collection boxes, the troop was visited by Kay

Parent, a breast cancer survivor and past president of the Breast Cancer Task Force of the Greater Miami Valley. Kay talked about her time as a young girl in the girl scouts and even joined in on the songs the girls sang at the opening and closing of the meeting. The girls asked her lots of question about breast cancer, her treatment, and what the Breast Cancer Task Force does here in Dayton. Kay thanked each and every girl and troop leader for their questions and all they are doing to fight the disease that she has been battling for several years.

This is the 3rd year that the girls of Troop 30031 under the leadership of Darcy Plunkett and Jenny McCalip have worked with the members of the CARE Walk team. CARE Walk has coordinated this Yoplait lid collection campaign for seven years and has mailed in more than 18,500 lids (or \$1,850!) from our community. Please continue to collect your lids for in 2011. You may save them until October when collection boxes will appear around the city or you may drop them off at 219 Orchard Drive at any time throughout the year.