



# AASc Newsletter January 2015



**ABOVE:** Playing Ships and Sailors gets competitive on the floor of Paul Taylor Fieldhouse at Fall General in October.

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**Welcome!** 2014 was a great year for us and we hope you ended it with rest and relaxation and you're ready for the all the joys and challenges 2015 has to bring!

**In September** we had our New Advisor's Workshop, and had a great time getting to know some of you.

**October** brought us our Fall General Meeting with our amazing keynote speaker, Patrick Mauer, and all the fun and excitement that goes with it.

**In December** we had our Winter Leadership Workshops with the dynamic Mary Whittenberg who did amazing leadership exercises

with our STUCO kids.

**Coming in March (3/28) is our District Convention, and in April (4/21) is our Awards Banquet! See you there! :)**

### Is your school ready to LEAD?

- Are there some things you'd like to see done differently at AASc?
- Do you have good juniors/lower classmen who like to participate?

Come be a part of the movers and shakers in our district and help create the future! It's a lot of fun and the kids get experience leading and being of service to the LARGE community of AASc District 15!

### The positions available to run for are as follows:

- President
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice president
  - Historian/Reporter
  - Parliamentarian
- (The Secretary-Treasurer School is a 2 year term and not open for this election) If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Parliamentarian school sponsor Marti Blose at [mblose@fisd.us](mailto:mblose@fisd.us)



(ABOVE: Representatives from the St. Vincent Depaul Society are ready to take all the donations from Fall General back to the Food Bank. **THANK YOU**, to all those who brought in donations!

**Start talking to your STUCO kids now about running! KIDS LOVE creating skits, themes, campaign slogans, and running for office!**

**The Deadline to Mail or Fax all Paperwork Is February 5, 2015!**



***“Council members dress up in costumes and go out into the community asking for donations of non-perishable food items for the Medina County Food Bank.”***

***“Leaders are people who do the right thing. Managers are people who do things right.”***  
-Warren Bennis

## Hondo High School’s Trick or Treat for Cans

*By Sandra Eddy, Hondo H.S.*  
The Student Council at Hondo High School continued its annual “Trick or Treat for Cans” as part of its community service.

This is a food drive, done on Halloween night, in which Council members dress up in costumes and go out into the community asking for donations of non-perishable food items for the Medina County Food Bank.

This kicks off the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive which runs for two weeks and high school stu-

dents are asked to donate non-perishable food items (the 3<sup>rd</sup> period class with the most donated items wins a prize ... usually a pizza or an ice cream party).

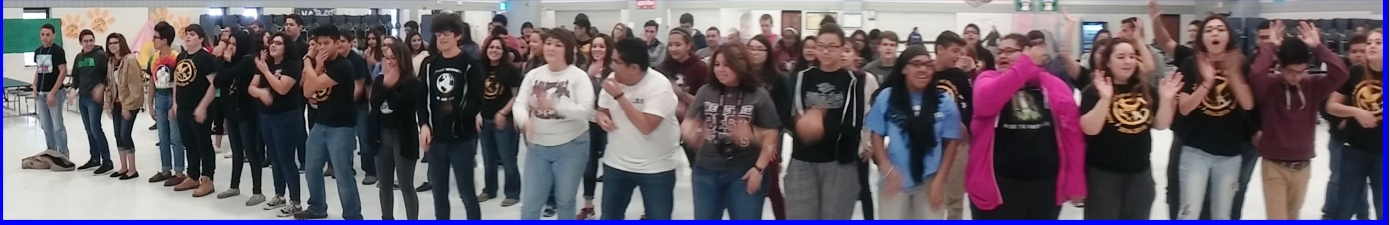
In a continuation of the holiday spirit, the Council also sponsors a Thanksgiving family **and** a Christmas family and provides a full Thanksgiving/Christmas Day meal along with additional food supplies.

The Christmas family, in addition to the full Christmas meal and additional food supplies, also receives

Christmas gifts for each member of the family ... it is usually a toy and article of clothing for each child (this year’s family had 7 children).

Also, in order to further help the Medina County Food Bank, Student Council sponsored a Faculty Basketball game in which faculty members played against each other ! It was the Blue and White teams with coaches and other faculty members entertaining the student body.

Admission to the game was one non-perishable food item.



## Southwest High School 2nd Annual Christmas Student Organization Drive

*By Jefferson Johnson, Southwest H.S.*  
 27 Families were served through our 2nd Annual Christmas Student Organization Drive. Of the 27 families, 109 children throughout the district were served. Families received several boxes of food, a beautiful bird to cook (thank you BPA) and gifts for each child! This student led event has been awesome and truly amazing!!! This event would also not have been possible without the work and coordi-

nation of the following:  
 Mr. Jefferson Johnson and our Student Leaders:  
 Amanda Garcia  
 Yenei Estrada  
 Yvette Maldonado  
 Berenice Bonilla  
 Candice Kelly  
 Natalie Sahagun  
 Cameron Erickson  
 Kristal Salinas  
 Jacob Bodden  
 Kevin Perez  
 Griselda Gomez  
 A huge, well deserved thank you goes to all the participating organizations, students, teachers, and organization

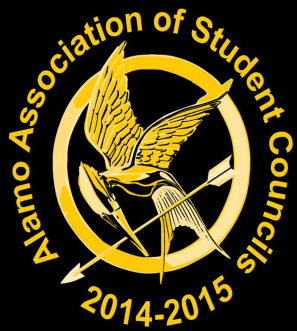
sponsors!  
 Participating Organizations:  
 BPA  
 Student Council  
 Theatre  
 Senior & Junior Classes  
 Track  
 HOSA  
 Environmental Club  
 R.O.T.C.  
 NTHS  
 NHS  
 Cosmo  
 Girls Soccer  
 Softball  
 Spanish National Honor Society  
 Band  
 Ms. Gates' Classes  
 Several members of Admin, Counseling, and Instructional Teams!!!

**“If you think you can do a thing, or think you can’t do a thing, you’re right.”**

**-Henry Ford**



Above: Southwest H.S. STUCO Leaders with all the boxes of food and gifts ready to be delivered to needy families



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Marshall HS  
Sponsor: Sandra McKinzie

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Southwest HS  
Sponsor: Jefferson Johnson

2nd Vice President School  
Clark HS  
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Parliamentarian School  
Floresville HS  
Sponsor: Marti Blöse



Above: AASC Advisor of the Year 2014-15, Pablo Cantu

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## Clark STUCO Raises Over \$3000 for Breast Cancer Research



By S. Carvajal, Clark HS

Every year Clark High School participates in a PINKOUT football game with another school. For those who are new to STUCO, usually each year the two competing schools decide on the same t-shirt, both try to sell it, and the student council who sells the most wins. The idea is for everyone at the game to wear the pink t-shirts and PINKOUT the stands.

In previous years, we'd set a goal of how many we wanted to sell, order that many and do our best to sell them all. We'd sell the t-shirts for 10 dollars and usually sell far less than we hoped. Last year we barely sold over 100 shirts, and raised around 500 dollars.

Rather than partner with another STUCO, we found

that at the opposing school's PINKOUT was run by their athletic booster club. They did things very differently and we took their advice and had much better results. This year, we decided to try and sell as many as possible by pre-order, and make the shirts cheaper so we could sell more.

### The most important thing we did was plan!

At the very beginning of the year, we got the t-shirt set up and made pre-order flyers. On the flyer we said "5 dollars for preorder, limited quantity for sale will be 10 dollars the week of the game." We also talked to administration at our feeder middle schools and sent them flyers and order sheets. The school secretaries took the orders and collected the money for us. We sold preorders during

both lunches every day and people got really excited about them. When the pre-order deadline passed, we had so many people still wanting them, that we did a second order, this time at the 10 dollar price. Because so many of the Clark students already had them, it made the rest want them more.

**In the end, rather than the usual 100 to 150 shirts we would normally sell, we SOLD OVER A THOUSAND AND RAISED OVER 3000 DOLLARS FOR BREAST CANCER RESEARCH!**

Although it was a lot of work, selling more for less was very successful. In the future, Selling by preorder is going to be the only way we sell t-shirts!

## Thank you all for a GREAT 2014!

To everyone who came and participated in our events in 2014, and contributed to this newsletter, **WE THANK YOU!** To those who haven't come yet, we still have fun events you and your STUCO's can attend!

- **Our District Convention on Saturday, March 28th** is always fun! Even if you don't run for office, it's great to be there and meet those who do, and vote for the schools you believe will best lead us in the coming school year.
- **Our Awards Banquet on Tuesday, April 21st** will showcase our many TASC Award Winning Schools who went above and beyond to serve others. Look for upcoming emails from our president school's sponsor with more info. **For now,**

**HAVE A GREAT 2015!**