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### **VALLEY VIEW STUDENTS RAISE MONEY FOR TOYS FOR TOTS**

Ashwaubenon, WI – December 7, 2009 – Students in Sharon Brecklin's class at Valley View Elementary school in Ashwaubenon have raised over \$1,000.00 to benefit the Toys for Tots program. The fifth graders sold rubber bracelets with inspiration sayings and stress balls to fellow students. The students gave up their recess time to raise the money.

The funds will be used to purchase gifts for the Toys for Tots program. On Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:45 PM, the students will meet with local Marines at Shopko in Ashwaubenon to shop for the toys.

This annual, hands-on learning experience has raised more than \$7,000.00 over the past twelve years. It applies many of the math skills learned in class but, all students agree that the most rewarding aspect of the activity is giving to others who may be less fortunate than themselves.

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