

## “Celebrating People in Action”

National Volunteer Week

April 19-25 2009

Student Activities Office – Community Service

<http://www.sa.mtu.edu/community/index.html>

With new staff added to the office of Student Activities also came a new initiative of Community Service. This year, three new programs were added to the office. Service Saturdays, Semester Collections and Community Service based Alternative Spring Break Trips. In years past community service was hosted only by Make a Difference Day and service opportunities are now available and prevalent on campus a few times each month. We would like to take a moment and highlight our programs and participants.

### 2008-2009 Service Events

Fire Prevention Day  
 Make a Difference Day  
 Tails & Trails  
 Holiday Service  
 Blood Drive vs. Northern  
 Bigfoot Snowshoe Event  
 Snow Day  
 Alternative Spring Break Trips  
 Little Huskies Spring Cleaning  
 Arbor Day - Landscaping on Campus  
 Semester Collection

**118 pairs of shoes collected in the fall & 637 pounds of electronics recycled so far!**

#### Monthly Hats Off Winners

September – Cara Hanson

October - Derek Roche

November- Steve Schaenzer, Troy Bouman, Jason Yates, Ben Coultres, Clark Mullen, Divam Jain & Kyle Ahonen

December - Jared Recker

January - Yi Chin

February - Brad Diener & Megan Place

March – Bri Drake & Mark Shepherd

#### Alternative Sprng Break (ASB) Participants:

Briana Drake

Mark Shepherd

Evelyn Skoy

Kristy Price

Stephen DeCeuninck

Matthew Carney

Kevin McKenna

Sten Schuler

Jason Julien

Dawn Goeser

Rebekkah Bury

Mandy Scott

Jim Kramer

Lizzy Burnett

The Community Service Program led two trips. A group of 10 went to Florida to clean up the beach & a small group of 4 were in Pennsylvania building nature trails.

Ultimately, we hope opportunities of service will shape students into becoming more civic orientated. The mission of Michigan Tech is “Create the Future.” As students participate in various volunteering opportunities, we hope the experiences will impact their lives and encourage them to continue to practice this habit long after they graduate. Our future is in the hands of this generation, and the more they practice good service habits, the more success the future will hold.