

Acts of Kindness Club." Our goal is to make the world a better place, and to spread happiness into people's hearts through random acts of kindness. One of our club's trademarks is that we give a little business card to the receivers of our kind acts, encouraging them to do something nice to someone else, and to pass it on. Some activities we have done include giving out free hugs at football games, raking the lawns of random people in neighborhoods and just last week, on Black Friday, handing out little cards at Valley River with a mint attached that say things like "Have a great day."

The reactions for the most part have been positive. However, we are trying not to be discouraged by some of the obstacles we are facing. While we were raking lawns, someone called the police because they thought we were breaking in. When we were giving out the cards and candy, security was called on us repeatedly saying that there had been complaints about us, and we were asked to leave.

I find it extremely sad that people in today's society do not believe that other people would do something nice for another person, just out of the goodness of their heart, with no strings attached. People complain about teenagers, and yet when we do try to do something positive, we still get complaints. We will continue our random acts of kindness and encourage everyone to be a little kinder to each other as well.

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POLISHING TURDS

President Bush is currently on his "Polish my Presidential Legacy Tour." So let us look at some snapshots of that legacy. Remember the look on Bush's face when an aide



interrupted his reading of *My Pet Goat* to tell him that the U.S. was under attack. President Bush had ignored all the warnings that an attack was coming. Remember the vacant look on Bush's face as he looked down upon the drowning city of New Orleans? Bush had ignored all the warnings that a killer hurricane was approaching.

I'll always remember Bush's cheek-chewing answer to ABC's Charlie Gibson's question about the economy. Gibson: "Do you feel in any way responsible for what's happening?" Bush: "You know, I'm the president during this period of time, but I think when the history of this period is written, people will realize a lot of the decisions that were made on Wall Street took place over a decade or so before I arrived."

President Bush can put on all the turd polish that he can, but history will view his legacy as the president who constantly ignored all warnings and stood by as his country crumbled under his watch.

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