

UNK KSSHLA Update

KSSHLA didn't waste any time getting involved in the Kearney community during the Fall Semester! Members participated in both the Alzheimer's Walk and the Susan G. Komen Race for a Cure early in late September and early October. We also put our efforts into a couple of fundraising projects and donated the proceeds to the Alzheimer's Foundation. Another group of members traveled to Grand Island to volunteer their time and efforts for the Nebraska Childhood Apraxia of Speech Walk. As volunteers we helped children and their families participate in various games and activities throughout the day's events and had the opportunity to meet 17 children with CAS from across the state. KSSHLA also organized a Halloween party filled with crafts, cookie decorating, and trick-or-treating for the children in the UNK Speech, Language, and Hearing Clinic. We ended the semester in celebration with an ugly Christmas sweater contest at our December meeting.

For the Spring Semester, we look forward to continuing our volunteer efforts throughout the community. KSSHLA will again be participating in the campus-wide Big Event and in Elk's Healthy Kids Day. We are also looking forward to starting a new KSSHLA tradition this spring; we will be joining forces with the Kearney RiteCare clinic to help organize Kearney's first annual WalkRite for RiteCare fundraiser walk. The RiteCare clinic has provided many of our members with a unique clinical experience by allowing us to provide services to clients via telepractice and we are excited for the opportunity to show our thanks.



A group of UNK KSSHLA members at the Alzheimer's walk, Fall 2014.



KSSLHA members also volunteered and participated in the Nebraska Childhood Apraxia of Speech Walk during the Fall 2014 semester.