

# Service gives 'well spent' time outlet

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Senior Rodney Stowers has little sympathy for those who claim they don't have time to help people.

"If you want to do something bad enough, you'll make the time," he says. "I don't think a couple of hours a week is any great obligation."

Stowers lives his time-management philosophy. He takes 18 class hours, works as a peer counselor and presides over the Circle K service organization. He said the other 16 club members are just as active — "all of the members are involved in other organizations on campus."

He believes service projects represent time well spent. Visiting nursing homes is one of his favorites.

"Most of the residents in nursing homes don't have a lot of people to talk to," he pointed out. "If you just sit down and listen to them — that's all they want

— you'll really learn something.

"It may be something about 1909 that you were never taught in history. They reminisce about the past, but a lot of them also know more about current events than I do. You just never know what you'll end up talking about."

Circle K has been involved in a run-a-thon for the Muscular Dystrophy Association and done several projects in conjunction with its sponsor, the Kiwanis Club.

The group has had fundraisers such as the Davis Hall apple sale. Circle K brought 20 crates, with 100 apples each, to the Registrar's Office.

"The entire first floor smelled great," Stowers said. "We sold out in two days and used the money to pay off some debts."

Several Circle K members also assist with Special Olympics practice events

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