# 2008 - 2009

### **OFFICERS**

Dr. James "Jeems" White - President

Robert Ratcliff – President-Elect

Lindsey Torbett – Vice-President

Greg Beard – Immediate Past President

Bill Penny - Secretary

Neil Klock – Treasurer

#### **BOARD DIRECTORS**

Todd Funderburk Donna Cafferata Darren Green Tom Phillips Elizabeth Smith Wayne Ryan

#### **PROJECTS/EVENTS FOR THE YEAR**

Chartered ASH Key Club Revitalized the Circle-K Club at LSU-Alexandria THRIVE (flu shot) Program Salvation Army Bell Ringing in December Reading is Fundamental Program at Pineville Elementary Kans for Hungry Kids Happy Thoughts funds to CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) Kiwanis One Day-Bowling for YWCA Buddies 6 teams from club plus ASH Key Club and LSUA Circle K 15th Annual Raffle/6th Annual Crawfish Boil another success! Firefighter of the Year – Alexandria Fire Department Equipment Operator Jeff Brumfield Lawman of the Year -Alexandria Police Department Sgt. Farrell Gaspard

Terrific Kids Awards Day at Hadnot-Hayes Elementary Terrific Kids Fun Day at Camp
We placed 14 AED (Automated External Defibrillators) in Rapides Parish High Schools
Participation at KI Convention - Nashville, District Convention - New Orleans, Mid-Year Regional -Winnfield
Launched the new club website
Initiated the written agenda format for club meetings
Established the automatic progression from Vice-President to President-Elect to President
Moved and upgraded the venue for club meetings
Supported the 4-H Club Annual Livestock Auction
Participated in the Children's Celebration Day at the Alexandria Zoo

Lest we forget ..... Promulgated the Rubber Chicken Rewards Program

## SUMMARY

Serving children is planting trees under whose shade you do not expect to sit. If you are serving children and you are not having fun, you are doing it wrong. WE HAD LOTS OF FUN.

"Jeems" went on to serve as Lt. Governor of Division 11 (8 clubs in central Louisiana), then Louisiana, Mississippi, West Tennessee District Governor in 2013-2014, and he served as coordinator for the northern and western parts of Louisiana (Divisions 6, 9, 11, 12) for The Eliminate Project, working to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus worldwide. The Alexandria Club became a Platinum Club donating over \$1,500 (average) per member to the project.

