If we cannot end now our differences, at least we can help make the world safe for diversity.

- John F. Kennedy

**DIVERSITY FAIR:**

On Feb. 28th the SVLN 354 class held a Diversity Fair highlighting the many differences that make ours a country full of diversity. Such subjects as gender, ethnic origins and religious diversity were featured. The class presented the various differences and issues through spoken word, theatrical performances and a multimedia slide show and video. Also featured was samples of food from other countries. The event, hosted by the CCA, was well attended.

**YARD SALE FOR HAITI**

The campus came together and joined with the broader Greenville community to hold a very successful fundraiser for Haiti. Proceeds from the indoor Yard Sale held in the old Pioneer Gym, combined with one or two very significant contributions, amounted to approximately $2300. The money will be donated to the Red Cross for use in Haiti.

The Office of Campus Safety sponsored the event with help from Student Affairs, the Bonner Leaders, SOS students and the CCA. Donated items came from people all around campus and were organized on Friday evening before the sale by a large group of student volunteers. Many more students volunteered on Saturday to help at the sale itself. Things went out the door so quickly; the sale closed down early in the afternoon.

This wonderful effort could not have been done without all the helping hands. THANK YOU to everyone involved. You all did a magnificent job.

For info on the next SOS call Jamie Sizemore at 423-639-5755

**BOOK REVIEW:**

Service Learning for Health, Physical Education and Recreation by Cheryl A. Stevens (Human Kinetics Publisher)

Don’t be misled by the title of this book. It is a helpful workbook that contains a clear guide to implementing high quality service-learning projects of all types. From developing communication skills to holding an effective meeting to setting objectives and managing time, there is much valuable information in this resource that applies to other disciplines and areas of life. While there are many project ideas relating to health, physical education and recreation, much of the discussion centers on learning skills that will result in effective student centered service-learning activities.

**DIVERSITY FAIR:**

Many important contributions have been made by women to the East Tennessee region, and to Greene County specifically. The Women of Courage of Greene County Award was initiated in 2004 to give recognition to women who have played a significant role in shaping our community in a positive way but have received little or no recognition for it.

This year, two deserving women were recognized. Robin Quillin and Lisa White received awards in a public program at Chalmers Conference Center on March 2. This program was planned and implemented by students in Dr. Angela Keaton’s History 322, Modern America class. They sought nominees from the community, then researched and verified the information provided as part of their course work.

**READ ACROSS AMERICA:**

On March first TC staff, students and members of the community celebrated Dr. Suess’ 106th birthday by reading to Doak Elementary School’s pre-k, K, second and third graders.

The program was part of Read Across America and was sponsored by the Doak House Museum and the Center for Civic Advancement.