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PARADY

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The coats were delivered Thursday to Wildwood Elementary School. The quick reaction to Mother Nature was made possible by Parady Financial Group CEO Greg Parady.

“Please go out and purchase hundreds of coats for the local schools so the kiddos won’t be cold with the cooler temperatures this time of year,” Parady told his staff.

“It’s truly heartwarming,” said Karen Schafer, event planner for Parady Financial Group. “(Our) owner has a very generous heart. He’s a family man with three kids and realized everyone is not as blessed as his family is, so he wanted to give back.”

Several Wildwood Elementary School students got their winter coats shortly after they arrived, with school staff helping them find the right size.

“I cannot think of any better way to start the new year than to have our students have warm clothes for such unusually cold weather,” said school board member Sally Moss, of the Village of Virginia Trace.

While the first students picked out their coats, Moss and school district staff sorted the donations. The plan was for every school in the district to get some of the coats to distribute by the end of the week.

“We asked the counselors and principals, and they told us which students at the school are in need and don’t have the luxury of the things other children have,” Moss said.

Every public school in the district is a Title I school, meaning at least 40% of the students are from low-income



Clients of Parady Financial Group and the Parady Events Team, Connie Peake, from left, Dave Peake, Lori Arment, Jessie Meier, Fran Campbell, Jackie Campbell, Doug Schafer, Karen Schafer, Ron Meier, Marge Frankenberger, Brant Hamby, Melissa Steele-Matovu, Bill Frankenberger, Barbara Hamby and Abraham Matovu, joined together to donate coats to students at Wildwood Elementary School on Thursday.



Left: Parady Event Planner Karen Schafer, left, with Parady Financial Group, helps Wildwood Elementary School second graders, Addison King, center, and Aysha Hamilton, find donated winter coats from the Parady Cares Foundation. Right: Sumter County School Board member Sally Moss helps second grade student Cody Williams find a jacket.



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households. Title I schools receive federal funding to help alleviate the economic disadvantages those students face.

Parady Cares Foundation invited the foundation’s supporters and clients of the financial group to help give out the coats.

“I’m so happy,” said Jackie Campbell, of the Village of Calumet Grove. “We’ve been here since 10 o’clock this morning unloading and staging everything. I waited all morning just to see these kids try on coats. The idea that they could select whatever they wanted was such a thrill.”

Children could try on as many coats as they liked until they found the right one.

“It makes me feel so good,” said Jessie Meier, of the Village of Calumet Grove. “It makes me feel so warm. These children are wonderful and they need our help.”

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