



The Club Connection

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BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF WEST CHESTER/LIBERTY

A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Breaking Records at BGC

We are thrilled to start this school year with a roster of 300 members and a record attendance day of 220 on 9/17/19! That represents an almost 35% increase over last year...and we are just a few weeks in! Our goal, as a leadership team, is to enhance connectivity to our extended BGCWCL Family and broaden our impact and engagement at all levels. With this in mind, we are renaming our newsletter publication from "Club Happenings" to "The Club Connection". More importantly, we have made strategic realignments in our professional staff, as you will see noted below, to ensure the optimal club experience for our awesome Club Members and to position ourselves for the growth that we are experiencing.

With the excitement of expanding enrollment, Resource Development continues to be a top priority for not only sustaining our current operations, but allowing us to meet the growing demand for our services. In that spirit, we are launching Impact Circle, a group of 50 individual donors and companies, committed to an investment of \$10,000 to ensure our operational success. Limited to only 50, a membership investment includes exclusive marketing and events. A list of members will be unveiled in January 2020. Please reach out to me to learn more. Additionally, our largest fundraiser, Steak and Burger, is just around the corner on October 10th! Please join us for a wonderful evening as we "Kick It for the Kids" with FC Cincinnati Defender and Lakota West Grad, Nick Hagglund! Details and information on tickets and sponsorship follow on a later page.

I am honored to be part of this passionate and talented team! Together, with your support, we are committed to doing whatever it takes to provide our Club Members with a safe place to have fun, engage, and grow!

With gratitude for your partnership,
Dale



THE BULLETIN

a few leadership snippets

With the start of a new school year, we are excited to introduce some changes and a few new faces at the Club. *Left to right: Lauren E., Caleb R., Andrew L., Kyle P., and Jessica W.*

Former Program Director, Lauren Ellis has taken on a new role as Director of Impact. In this role, Lauren looks forward to bridging the Club and community together in new ways. She oversees our marketing efforts, community partnerships, employee training programs and Member events all with the goal of increasing our impact as a leader and trusted partner in youth development.

Caleb Redslob has been with the club for almost three years. He is our creative guru and has moved into the role Creative Program Director. His mission is to encourage and equip Club members to be content creators and thoughtful collaborators

For the past year Andrew Lemcke has partnered with parents, schools, and students to help meet our members' academic needs. He has expanded his role to Academic Program Director and hopes to also engage members in digital literacy and computer science programming.

New faces in our leadership include Kyle Pendleton and Jessica Wall. Both of these extraordinary team members started as Youth Develop Professionals just last year.

Kyle has moved from the Blue Tribe Room to Elementary Program Coordinator. Kyle's goal is to engage his members in new experiences through a variety of programs, ultimately finding at least one program that they actively participate in.

Jessica added high school programming to her repertoire as she became the Teen Program Coordinator. Jessica is spending the majority of her focus on building our Keystone Club, which seeks to complete 200 hours of community service as a brand new Teen Honors Program by the end of the 2020 school year.



Our Activities

CATCH UP ON CLUB HAPPENINGS





Program Fair

Before officially launching our programs, students had the chance to sample our offering: STEM, creative and performing arts, leadership programs, and much more!

The Club is dedicated to offering high-quality, interest based programming that will target academic success, healthy lifestyles, and good character.



Family Night

We celebrated back to school with a fun Back To Your Future themed family night. Thank you, Jeff Shipley, for an incredible donation of time and resources, our students and families enjoyed outdoor fun in our brand new Gaga Pit (*pictured left*). We look forward to family nights, as well as upcoming resource nights. Check out the "upcoming" tab below to stay up to date on all of our events.

Spotlights

SHINING A LIGHT ON OUR COMMUNITY



Boys and Girl's Clubs of America had a National Day of Readiness on Sept. 12th. We participated by hosting safety drills for both tornado and fire. Thank you to the West Chester Fire Department for joining us.



We are excited to announce Cincinnati Children's as our new Healthy Club Kids & Families initiative partner. This includes family resource nights and health screenings. In addition, Children's has generously provided dental kits and power packs, a resource of non-perishable snacks.



Before Buerthey joined the Boys and Girls Club, he was a timid boy and unsure about himself. He always complains of not have friends, and no one plays with him at school. That was disturbing to hear, but it wasn't long before a friend told me about the Boys and Girls club.

A few months after joining the Club, I recognized positive changes in Buerthey and his enthusiasm of wanting to be present at the club even during the summer vacation. He tells me he has found what he has been missing before he joined the club. He is also demonstrating some leadership skills and confidence in what he does.

Thank you for the opportunity and for all that Boys and Girls does for the children and their parents,

Irene
BGCWCL parent



Upcoming

DON'T MISS A BEAT, OR AN EVENT

Parent Resource Night

Thursday,
Sept. 19th
6-7pm

Members Only High School Teen Night

Thursday,
Sept. 19th
7-9pm

Community High School Teen Night

Thursday,
Oct. 17
7-9pm

Community Conversation

Thursday,
Nov. 7
5:30-7pm



A promotional graphic for a 'STEAK AND BURGER' event. It features a circular logo with a burger illustration and the text 'STEAK AND BURGER'. To the right is a portrait of a smiling soccer player in a blue and red jersey with an Adidas logo. The background is blue with white and orange brushstroke accents.

STEAK AND BURGER

KICKIN' IT FOR THE KIDS
OCTOBER 10
SAVANNAH CENTER – WEST CHESTER
5:30 PM COCKTAIL RECEPTION
6:30 PM DINNER & PROGRAM

- WITH SPECIAL GUEST -
FC CINCINNATI DEFENDER & LAKOTA WEST ALUM
NICK HAGGLUND

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