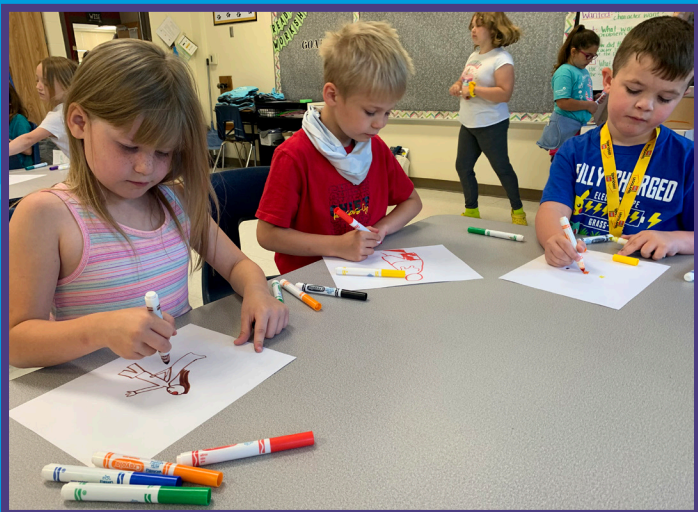


CLUB NOTES

SUMMER 2021



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI

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A NOTE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GARY BECKMAN



It is so nice to see things beginning to make their way back to pre-COVID times. Our Summer Program attendance numbers are well above what we've seen in recent years - during the first week we saw two days of 275+ kids in attendance. Compare that to 2019 numbers, seeing 180 kids on average, and we are the place for kids to be this summer! Thank you to our entire community for helping to provide a safe place for our kiddos during this pandemic, especially this summer. It truly has taken everyone to withstand the struggles to stay open, to operate in a safe environment, and to keep our youth growing in their development.

In discussions with some of our area educators, we learned that our students' reading levels took a big hit during last year. Reading is the foundation to learning and strengthening one's educational experience, so in an effort to curb summer learning loss this year and help with reading levels, we implemented a reading program allowing for 30 minutes of specific reading time each morning and afternoon.

We also understand that not all kids can attend our Summer Program, so we started a new program to get books into all kids' hands, not just BGC members. This year we are focusing on Sedalia, with the goal to branch out into our surrounding communities to compliment the great work the Boonslick Regional Library Bookmobile Program does. During the first week, more than 350 books were given to children ranging in age from birth to 10-years-old.

It's been an incredible start to the summer and we can't wait to see how these new programs help develop our local youth for a successful future.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP



Congratulations to Malacki (Smith-Cotton High School) and Makenna (Green Ridge High School) for being named 2021 Boys & Girls Club Alumni Scholarship recipients.

Each senior received \$1,000 for their future education goals, thanks to a financial match by McCarthy Toyota of Sedalia.

PUTTING "FORE" THE KIDS GOLF TOURNAMENT

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The 8th annual Putting "Fore" The Kids Golf Tournament, presented by McCarthy Toyota of Sedalia, was held June 14 at the Sedalia Country Club raising \$17,000 for Club programming.

Men's A Flight first-place winners were Darren Pannier, Jeff Hanes and Jim Van Horn, Men's B Flight first-place winners were Barry Henderson, Will Weibet and Cole Humphreys. Women's Flight winners were Janis Clemens, Christy Goodman and Shelly Kempton.

SPOTLIGHT ON: GARDENING PROGRAM



Members at The CLUB are getting their hands dirty this summer with the Gardening Program! The raised bed garden, located behind the Boys & Girls Club Admin Office, features lettuce, kale, zucchini, strawberries, tomatoes and more.

Members are in charge of weeding, watering and harvesting the fruits and vegetables and using them in simple, healthy recipes during their Cooking Program.

A special thank you to the Sedalia Lowe's location for donating manure and dirt for the beds.





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