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YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Letter from our Board Chair

Every day 15.1 million youth leave school and are left unsupervised with no place to go. Boys & Girls Clubs are open after school, when kids need them the most. Since 2012, the **Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County** has worked to fulfill its mission of empowering youth to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible individuals.

Currently our Clubs serve over 1,200 youth. Members like Raquel, age 11, participate in *Smart Moves* designed to boost

Diamond Sponsors Shine







The Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County are grateful to count on the generous financial support from our **Diamond** sponsors, **Doctors Medical Center, Sutter** Health and Foster Farms. These organizations have shown that they care for their community and believe in the power of our after-school programs to transform lives. We thank them for allowing us to carry out our mission to inspire and empower our youth. These organizations serve as a reminder that our goal to serve young people and help them realize their full potential, is a goal worth striving for that

self-esteem and confidence in girls. She says, "I know I can accomplish anything because the Boys & Girls Club are preparing me for success."

In this newsletter we share Club highlights from September and invite you to learn more about the impact we are making on local youth. The future is bright for our Clubs and together we can ensure that **Great Futures**Start Here.

Sincerely,

Janine McClanahan
Board Chair, BGC Stanislaus

CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

There were many memorable moments for our kids in September including a Lowe's sponsored bike give away. The home improvement giant generously donated 20 new bicycles for our Stanislaus Club members. Employees from the Modesto and Turlock stores came together to raise money to purchase the bicycles. The Lowe's team assembled and presented the bicycles to the West Modesto Club.

Read more here!

Build-A-Bear hosted their annual fundraising campaign to benefit our Clubs. Every year the popular toy store raises money for us and donates hundreds of stuffed bears for our kids. Build-A-Bear is will benefit everyone in the community.

Learn More www.BGCStan.org

CLUB KID SPOTLIGHT



Semaya Moore, 8 years old is our September club kid spotlight. She is attending C.F. Brown Elementary. Her club director says Semaya always shows integrity by keeping her club clean and is always willing to lend a hand.

Since becoming a member, Semaya's focus on school has greatly improved and she is more mindful of others feelings.

Semaya says the Club has made a difference in her life because she likes the staff. She shares, "The staff are nice, respectful and care about me. I love the Club because the staff is helping me to be a better person."

Semaya is a sparkling example of the impact our Club has on our members. She has made such an committed to making an impact in the communities where their employees live, work and play. We appreciate Build-A-Bear for their help building the lives of our young people for the better.



West Modesto Club kids loving their bears.

improvement since last year and we all are very proud of her!



Nothing but laughter and smiles for club members like Semaya.

Upcoming Events

Halloween is right around the corner and that means our **Haunted Museum** is back for another spooky, kid-friendly, fun time. Guests will be guided on a devilishly delightful tour of the historic McHenry Museum where they will experience some of their favorite Halloween characters. There will be face-painting, games, crafts and candy, of course. This will be an evening of "Scooby Doo" fun and games, not "Friday the 13th" terror. Join the celebration on October 25th, 26th, and 27th. Purchase tickets at

HauntedMuseum2018.eventbrite.com

Buy Tickets Here!

Up with People is coming to Modesto for a special musical performance with all ticket sales to benefit our Clubs! Join us for this



To learn more about our Clubs and how you can make a difference in the life of a child in your community visit

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special celebration on March 22, 2019 at the Gallo Center. Tickets on Sale Now.

Up with People empowers young people to be positive agents of change to build a more hopeful, trusting and peaceful world. Through cultural exchange, world travel, volunteerism, and the international language of music, UWP is making positive changes in the world everyday. Visit upwithpeople.org to learn more.



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