



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS**  
OF HUNTINGTON VALLEY

## Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley

### CEO Report



Kingston Branch, Fountain Valley



Huntington Beach Branch



Robert Mayer Child Development Preschool



Learning Center Child Development Preschool



ClubHouse Academy



Twilight Education Project



Transportation Program

# 2011 April

## ClubHouse Theatre Make-Over!

### Thank you Company Dance, Live Life Productions and Magical Builders

The ClubHouse Academy dance studios had some major renovations done. Through a generous donation from Magic Builders, Live Life Productions and Company Dance, both dance rooms were redone including the removal of 40+ year wallpaper followed by new colorful painted walls, portable ballet bars, new mirrors for the walls, sound systems, and a variety of posters and artwork. The group held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Monday

the 18<sup>th</sup>, where more than 70 of our dancers received dance instruction from professional dancers. There was a special appearance from Lauren Froderman, Season 7 Winner from "So You Think You Can Dance" as well as instruction by Nancy O'Meara, a noted dancer and choreographer, currently working with Miranda Cosgrove from the hit television show iCarly. The kids had a great time and left with goody bags with T-shirts, waterbottles and more.



## Upcoming

**Events...** that benefit  
the Boys & Girls Club

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

#### HB Branch Make-Over

April 30, DPR Construction donation

#### JMG Benefit Golf Tournament

May 11th at Mile Square Golf Course  
(All proceeds go to the Club, sign-up to play NOW!)

#### BGCA National Conference

May 17-20 in New Orleans

#### Whole Foods Market Day

May 31st, Bella Terra store  
(Shop at Whole Foods and 5% of net sales go to the capital campaign)

#### Summerfest Game Booth

June 10-12, at Mile Square  
(Club gets proceeds of the Hermit Crab game booth run by Independence Bank)

#### Pins for Kids Bowling

August 6th sponsored by FV Kiwanis  
(All proceeds support the capital campaign. Sign-up NOW!)

#### Constable Classic Golf Tourney

August 8th at SeaCliff Golf Course  
(HB Police Officer's Foundation pledge a portion of the proceeds to support Club's Scholarship programs)



## Kingston Branch, Fountain Valley



Boys & Girls Club Week was a ton of fun. We had special events every day, helping our members understand, embrace and appreciate the mission of the Boys & Girls Club.

March and April were very busy months at the Kingston Branch. Our members had a blast participating in all the events offered in the Club; National Boys & Girls Club week, St. Patrick's Day Carnival, Teen Lock-In, national program contests and Teens Doing It Right health video program! Boys & Girls Club Week was a ton of fun. We had special events every day of the week, allowing our members to truly understand, embrace and appreciate the mission of Boys & Girls Club. They enjoyed making their own membership cards, participating in BGCHV cake decorating contest and building rockets for the Rocket Launch competition. The Rocket Launch competition was the biggest hit of the week. Members took pride working in teams to decorate and create rockets out of empty liter bottles. The greatest part of the challenge was seeing each rocket launch on our homemade launcher. Surprisingly, it blasted the rockets exceptionally high and farther than we anticipated. All the kids had a great time counting down for each rocket to

blast off. Our staff had fun watching the excitement and enthusiasm of our members throughout the event and all the rocket teams displayed support, encouragement and good sportsmanship for one another. Boys & Girls Club week was extremely successful, fun, educational and meaningful for our members and staff!

We also hosted our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Teen Lock-In event. We had 25 teens participate in this fun event that started at 7PM on a Friday and ended at 7AM the following day, Saturday. We planned tournaments, competitions, games, art projects and various activities for our teens to enjoy throughout the 12 hour "Lock-In" at the Club. The teens enjoyed being in the Club after hours and having all the program areas open just for them. Our staff had a great time running the games and witnessing the positive attitudes our teens were maintaining the entire event. And to top it off none of the teens went to sleep; they were having too much fun participating in all the fun activities, such as Dodge ball,

Wii Dance, t-shirt design and art projects, card games and more! The Teen Lock-In was a time that our teens were able to unite, work together and have fun in a positive and safe environment.

Lastly, we would like to highlight our Image Maker program. We submitted over 15 photographs, taken and edited by members of all ages, to the National BGCA Image Makers competition. We are currently waiting to hear back to see if any of our images made it to the final competition. It is amazing to see the talent and creativity our members have with photography. We have their images displayed on a wall in our Club and every time parents and other members walk by they are in awe of the beauty captured in each photograph and admire the talent of the members in the program. We are excited to host our Fine Arts and Image Makers Exhibit in our Club on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 4PM for members and parents to attend to respect all the hard work and talent of the members involved in both programs. Come and enjoy their art with us! The more the merrier!



## Learning Center Child Development Preschool, HB

April was a very busy month for the Learning Center Preschool. While the teachers were getting activities and lessons ready for the spring season, they were also preparing the children and parents for a special celebration. The Week of the Young Child was from April 11 to April 15, this year's theme for the national celebration of children ages 0-8, was "Early Years are Learning Years". At the Learning Center, we celebrated each day by incorporating "Literacy" into all our activities. Teachers provided materials for the children to

create and have fun using arts and crafts. Parents participated in the week long celebration by wearing a special "WOYC" button, visiting the classroom to read to the children, and having a special "Parent Breakfast" with their child on Wednesday, April 13. At the end of the week, the Learning Center, with the help from seven Parent Committee Members, two parent volunteers from Robert Mayer, and a few other parent volunteers, hosted an awesome "WOYC Carnival" for all the students from both preschools. Forty-two children,

ages three to five, came on a bus from Robert Mayer and participated in the games, art activities, and bounced till they dropped in the two Bounce Houses that were at the carnival. We also had two special clowns from the Volunteer Clowns of Orange County help out during the carnival to do face painting and create balloon art for all the children. To end the event, all the children had a "Pizza Party Lunch" and the two Pre-K classrooms from the Learning Center had lunch under a tree near the park with the students from the Robert Mayer Preschool.

## Development Department

**Grants:** We have submitted grant requests to Kaiser and Verizon. We also submitted several grant reports, including a mid-grant progress reports to Weingart Foundation, quarterly report to BGCA – OJP, final report to Boeing Employees Community Fund, quarterly reimbursement to Golden West College scholarship fund and a quarterly report to City of Fountain Valley.

**Events:** We are working hard to make our October annual benefit a success and we thank you for all that you have done to get early commitments from sponsors and item donors. We

also continued to prepare for the JMG Security Systems Golf Tournament on May 11, 2011, which is coming up soon.

You can help make it a great event by getting your friends together for a foursome or donating items for the raffle. Watch your mailboxes in May for more information about our August events: the Kiwanis Club of Fountain Valley's Pins for Kids Bowling Tournament on August 6, 2011 and the Huntington Beach Police Officers' Association's Constable Classic on August 8, 2011. Both promise to be fun events - be

sure to register and invite your friends to do the same!

**Marketing Our Programs:** We completed the summer program book, the summer flyers, and the summer contracts. All of these were available in time for spring break so that we could promote summer services to families using the full-day spring break program in addition to families who are part of our after school programs. We sent a postcard mailing to promote the Kingston branch's after school and summer programs to thousands of families with school age children in Fountain Valley.

## Robert Mayer Child Development Preschool, HB

.April was a month full of activities and celebrations! April 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> we celebrated Week of The Young Child; this year's quote was "Early Years Are Learning Years!" We celebrated all week long with a variety of activities done in the classroom like creating flower pots, making book markers, reading quotes parents wrote about why they think their child is special, and reading A LOT of books. This year we really focused our attention on promoting literacy with the children. We had the children bring in their favorite book to be read and we also invited parents to come in and read to the children. We also offered a special parent and child breakfast where we invited parent's to come in 15 minutes earlier than usual and enjoy bagels, coffee and juice with their child. The week ended with a phenomenal carnival held in appreciation of the children at

our Learning Center location. The carnival included games, face painting, balloon making clowns, two bounce houses, and lunch. Our Parent Committee volunteers helped make this event a great success! April 20<sup>th</sup> Krista Murphy from Department of Education came out to our center to start the first stage of the free technical assistance training we are being offered. She spent the morning filling out ECERS (Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale) in one of our classrooms to make sure the room is set up appropriately for the children. Results will be compared to the ECERS that was filled out by the staff from that same room and given to our training coach. After I meet with the training coach we will come up with goals and a training plan in areas that need improvement. Staff is really looking forward to the training that will happen directly in the class environment.

## Huntington Beach Branch

I am very pleased to announce a very special event that is going on at our branch. DPR Construction, a commercial construction company, has chosen our branch as the recipient for their annual program "Rebuilding Together Orange County". This program seeks out deserving non-profit organizations and does facility refurbishments. Over the last two weeks we have had many subcontractors scouring our building. The work will consist of everything from electrical, painting, plumbing, carpeting and landscaping. The culminating event will be on Saturday 4/30/2011 and everyone is invited (be careful we may put you to work).



Our running club continues to do well. Our goal is to teach all of our children the importance of fitness as a life choice and to continue it throughout their lives. At this point we have 30 members involved. Our short term goal is to have all participants complete a two mile run. This will set us up for a great turn out at next year's Surf City Marathon.

On 4/23/2011 we will be participating in an Earth Day celebration. It will be held at the Disneyland Resorts and will take place in the morning. The event will teach our kids of the importance of the environment through four very specific activities. Our children are really looking forward to this event.





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## MISSION STATEMENT

To inspire and enable the healthy development of all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring members of our community.

## ClubHouse Academy, Huntington Beach

April has been the ClubHouse Academy's busiest month thus far for 2011. The month consisted of The Wizard of Oz Theatre auditions, Spring Karate Showcase, Spring Dance Recital, ClubHouse Academy dance room renovations and grand opening celebration, and the start of the spring basketball and arena soccer sports leagues. Yes, it was a bit busy.

We kicked off the month in anticipation for a large gathering of kids for The Wizard of Oz auditions. Our hopes came true! There were over 160 kids who came out to audition for this show. Rehearsal practices for the different casts of kids run from Tuesday through Thursday of each week. The show dates will begin in August 2011. If you

are interested in observing a show date, please visit [www.ClubHouseAcademy.com](http://www.ClubHouseAcademy.com).

Next, our spring sports leagues are underway. With over 40 basketball teams and 31 arena soccer teams, the league has a total of more than 630 participants. We hope for an even greater amount of kids to sign-up for our summer leagues. Some of the spring sports league teams will also have an opportunity to be cheered for by the ClubHouse Academy's Dance and Cheer Teams, comprising of girls ranging from ages 5-13 that dance regularly at the ClubHouse Academy.

Our karate program held their first Annual Karate Showcase at the ClubHouse Academy. This consisted of five different karate

classes who demonstrated their technique and abilities in martial arts to family, friends, and staff. We are planning on making the Karate Showcases a bi-annual event for the community at the ClubHouse Academy.

The next big event was our Spring Dance Recital which took place at the ClubHouse Theatre on April the 10<sup>th</sup>. We had more than 70 performers that showcased their skills in ballet, jazz, hip-hop, contemporary, pre-school and theatre dance. The kids had a blast performing on stage with colorfully lit show lighting and amazing sound which provided the spectators with an exciting experience.

The Academy make-over and ribbon cutting celebration ended the month in style!



## CLUB LOCATIONS serving Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and surrounding communities!



1. **Fountain Valley Kingston Branch**  
16582 Brookhurst Street, Fountain Valley, 92708      714 531-2582
2. **Huntington Beach Branch**  
2309 Delaware Street, Huntington Beach, 92648      714 374-2600
3. **ClubHouse Academy**  
10200 Slater Avenue, Fountain Valley, 92708      714 593-0753
4. **Learning Center Child Development Preschool**  
16081 Waikiki Lane, Huntington Beach, 92649      714 846-1303
5. **Robert Mayer Child Development Preschool**  
15744 Golden West Street, Huntington Beach, 92647      714 899-5900
6. **Building Dreams**      [www.BuildingDreamsCampaign.com](http://www.BuildingDreamsCampaign.com)  
Phase II & Phase III - Gymnasium and School-Age Club

[www.BGCHV.com](http://www.BGCHV.com)