

Chief Executive Officer's Report



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF HUNTINGTON VALLEY

Monthly Report for our Board, Staff and Friends

September 2007

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AUCTION Countdown!

Only 17 more days until our big event. Like always, the parts are coming together. Amazing how that happens!

Table sales are strong...We sold more tables than ever before. Total count is 83!

Voice and Super Silent items are strong and the list includes new and exciting items that we never dreamed we could get.

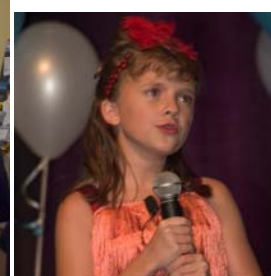
Silent Auction, well, you know how that goes. We never know until the end and we need your help right up until the end. So, please stop by that restaurant or store you have been meaning to drop by and bring in those certificates. Check your desk and wallets for gift cards you know you'll never use and bring them by the Academy. It's not a fun event if folks can't shop.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT HELPED TO MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS!

SPONSOR A CHILD

The night of the auction, we will be asking folks to consider participating in the "Sponsor A Child" voice auction. It will be the first item on the list and we hope that every table will come together to sponsor a child for one year at the Club. With a table of ten, that's just \$50 per person. With this contribution, we will help give disadvantaged kids the chance to attend a summer sleep away camp, get toys for Christmas or take a trip to the movies on a summer afternoon. These experiences should be a part of every kid's childhood and you can help make that possible by encouraging every person at your table to give just \$50.

Please help us accomplish our goal by being a champion to our cause the night of the event.



CLUB Updates

LEARNING CENTER Chelo Loshak — Mid July and August were busy months with re-registration. Our enrollment in the month of August was 116 by the end of the month; we lost 21 Pre-K children. Currently for September we have 108 enrolled and we have had several inquires about our program.

We were granted through United Way Success By 6, 760 books to start the "Raising A Reader" book bag program, sponsored by Verizon and Annenberg. In each bag there are four books that the children can check out every week, just like the Library. The idea for this program is to get the whole family involved with reading. Once the children read all the books, the Learning Center will keep the books. The books in the bags are for all ages, and they are very diverse and some of them are about disabilities. Administrators and teachers are very excited to start this program; our starting date will be the first week in October. First we need to educate the parents about the program, and on September 28th we are having our Parent Orientation Night. On this night we will lend parents a DVD with all the information.

"Read for the Record" and the Jumpstart Program is a national campaign designed to encourage hundreds of thousands of children and adults to read the same book on the same day. This year the book The Story of Ferdinand was read on September 20th by six volunteers from the Orange County Register. At the end of the day each child received a copy of the book and a book marker to take home.

CLUBHOUSE ACADEMY Steve Savage - The Clubhouse Academy had a terrific summer. Members had a blast at the Academy while staying cool in our dance, gymnastics and martial arts programs. Our Basketball and Soccer programs concluded last week with some exciting playoff games. We are already looking forward to our upcoming Fall 2007 Season which is set to start during the beginning of November. During the later part of summer, we were overwhelmed with youth from the community who wished to audition for our very successful theatre program. With the Clubhouse Theatre Auditions completed, we are very excited for the "Ax of Murder" performances set for October 18th – 20th. These Theatre performances will be followed by the highly anticipated haunted house that our Clubhouse Theatre team will be providing for the local community. It doesn't end there! The Clubhouse Theatre is also hard at work getting prepared for the "Don't Say No to the U.S.O." performances set for November 14th – 18th. These casts are working hard and having a lot of fun, so be sure to mark your calendars for these show dates! Stop by the Clubhouse Academy today to see our fall class listings for both children and adults!

CLUB Updates Continued...

KINGSTON Shannon Roache - The kids had a great time this summer participating in many special events and activities. August was very busy and included special events like our Summer Luau and Water Carnival. Both events were a huge success with 230+ participants. The Luau included of a steel drum band, dunk tank, snow cone machine and many carnival games and activities. The water carnival included a forty foot water slide on our playground. All participants had a great time and left with many great prizes. After these events were finished, the club switched gears and started to prepare members for the quickly approaching return to school. The Education room was especially helpful in this process starting two new clubs to help members prepare. On Mondays, staff created a math magic club that was open for all ages. The staff taught the kids basic math skills by using materials such as hot sauce packets and dominos to make the learning process more fun. The kids really enjoyed using different and unique props to learn math. The second club was the Life Science Club. The Education room staff started off by having the members discuss what part of science they wanted to focus on. After a brainstorming and planning they decided to build a mold of a volcano and learn the facts as to how it works. Both clubs were so successful that they are being continued throughout the school year.

HB BRANCH Tim Nolan - Our summer culminated with a huge summer party. We had 200 kids take part in our water carnival. The Children were treated to a 40ft. waterslide, dunk tank, slippery slider, water balloon toss, shaved ice machine and more. What a bonding experience for the staff and the kids. Fun was had by all. As we head into the fall we have done really well with sign-ups. We currently have 363 signed up for our afternoon program, 103 signed up for the morning and 24 walk-ins. As the days progress we continue to get sign-ups and our numbers look to continue to grow. As you can see the club is bustling with life. As we head into our annual auction everyone is getting into the act. Our parents, staff and even the kids have donated money. At this point we are over \$300.00 and are looking to reach \$1000.00. I will keep you posted on our growth. See you next time.

GWC CHILD DEV. CENTER Susan Bixler -

The end of summer was celebrated by a field trip with Learning Center to Chuck E. Cheeses on Thursday August 23rd. Then we ended the month with an Ice Cream Social where kids got to create their own ice cream sundae!

The new school year brought back returning students and new enrollments. Preschool class numbers are close to full and of course our infant/toddler rooms are full with waiting lists. The children have been adjusting to their new classroom and teachers. Staff is busy observing each child so individual needs can be added to lesson plans starting October. Our preschool participated in "Read for the Record" and the Jumpstart Program to encourage reading.