

HB Surf City Rotary Club holds event to support Building Dreams Campaign

Surf City SPLASH

On March 7, 2008 the Surf City Rotary Club held the first of three events slated to raise \$100,000 pledged to support the Club's Building Dreams Campaign. SPLASH brought nearly 300 folks to the Hyatt to enjoy the evening including a silent and voice auction/dinner/dance. The spirit in the room was strong as folks joined together to help raise money to help the Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley build their new Club on the campus of Golden West College. Every silent auction item sold, the opportunity drawings sold out, the contributions made for "Jump-In, Make a Splash" were strong and the voice auction exceeded goal. The evening even included a performance from the

ClubHouse Theatre KIDS. Twenty Club members sang and danced to "Kids In America" and "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now" — helping the crowd see first hand what Boys & Girls Club activities are really about.



Overall, the event was such a success that Rotary is already working on setting the 2009 date for the event.



ClubHouseTHEATRE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

In the next two-weeks, more than 1,500 theater goers are expected to fill our Kingston Branch Theater to see one two musical productions that are sure to delight audiences of all ages.

First, the advanced cast will perform, "BACK TO THE 80'S" on Friday and Saturday, April 4 & 5. Shows are at 7pm each night with a 2 pm matinee on Saturday, April 5th. Back to the 80's is a fun

and entertaining show filled with music you will remember including, Girls Just Want To Have Fun, Mickey, Footloose, Love Shack, and Material Girl.

"Don't miss... Back to the 80's" and "Willy Wonka" April 4, 5 and 9-13 LIVE ON STAGE at the Kingston Branch Theatre

Next, get ready for our younger casts to perform "Willy Wonka" a musical rendition of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory." You'll get into the mood watching OompaLoompas dressed in fun costumes,

Violet turn into a huge blueberry right before your eyes, and Charlie and Grandpa Joe fly as the taste the bubbles in the Fizzy Lifting Drink Room. All this and more will be performed April 9-12 at 7pm each night with 2 pm matinee performances on April 12 & 13.

Please mark your calendars and support our kids. Not to mention, that fellow Board Member, Bob Hoxsie is the theatre Director. Hey, it's all fun and all about the KIDS!!

Kingston Branch, Fountain Valley

February was a fast and very exciting month with a lot of fun programs. We celebrated the beginning of the month by having our Run for Fun program participate in the Surf City Marathon's Kid's Mile Run, which was on a cold, rainy day, perfect for the occasion. It brought a lot of excitement to our 15 members who participated. This program turned out to be such a big hit, we're going to keep it going and incorporate it into our Triple Play program currently going as well.

Also during the month, we were able to announce our Youth of the Year, Nathaniel Hatala,



and celebrate by giving him a cake and recognition at one of our weekly assemblies. He was very excited to be given this award.

The teen Torch Club continued their bake sales to raise money for the Primary Room and started a clothing drive to eventually donate them to an organization in need.

In the Kitchen, our resident cook has

started incorporating nutritional foods into her snacks and showing our members how to eat healthy without losing any of that great taste.

Finally, our Primary program started introducing the rest of the club to our youngest members to prepare them for the upcoming summer and next year when they will be older and allowed to participate in all areas of the club. With all of these exciting things going on, we barely had time to celebrate Valentine's Day, but the kid's enjoyed it with all their candy from school and sugar running through their bodies as they played different games around the club.

Learning Center Child Development Preschool

March has been a busy month for children and teachers. Our staff has been very busy doing observations, checklists and also taking many pictures. This will help them work on the children evaluations and the classroom portfolios.

On Thursday March 13, Karen Gissler, the nurse from the Huntington Beach School District came to demonstrate the proper hand washing procedure to the teachers and the children. Karen brought a glow powder and a florescent light

that showed white spots (germs) on the areas of the hands that children did not scrub long enough. Children were amazed to see the white spots, and the teachers were even more surprised.

We are getting our garden prepared to plant flower seeds next week. Last week, we received an email from NAEYC letting us know that our application was accepted. We are waiting for the Candidacy materials to arrive so we can start working on it.

On April 14-18, the Learning Center and Golden West Child Development Center are going to celebrate the Week of the Young Child. Monday thru Thursday, the children will do different activities in the classroom to give to their parents. Tuesday the children will make invitations to give to their parents asking them to spend at least five minutes of their busy time with them so they can eat breakfast together. The Center will provide mini bagels, cream cheese, juice and coffee. Breakfast will be set up right outside

Huntington Beach Branch

March has been an excellent month at the H. B. Branch. On the National Program front we are almost finished with Club Tech. We are now uploading our final portion, "Graphic Design". All of our kids have done an excellent job throughout the year and our staff and parents are really proud.

We are also working on another program "Image Makers". This

program is designed for kids to develop skills in the field of photography. Whether these skills are used for fun or to develop a career, the children have a great time learning about photography.

The Huntington Beach Branch is pleased to announce that our Youth of the Year is Brett McDaniel. Brett has been a member of our club since

2004. Brett is currently in 6th grade and is excelling in school. He also serves as our Torch Club President at our club and has volunteered numerous hours of his free time. It was great to have Brett represent our club at our annual Orange County Association of Boys & Girls Clubs dinner. It was a great night for him and his parents as well as all the other honorees.

Golden West College Child Development Preschool



At GWC Child Development we started the month with celebrating Read Across America for the second year in a row. This is a nation wide literacy event that we highlighted with our children by reading their favorite books to them. This month we also

incorporated the color green and the shape of a four leaf clover into our curriculum. Some of the children went on a walking field trip on campus to look for as many four leaf clovers as they could find – what great eye sight children have! Other children experienced the transformation in color when you add milk to mint flavored pudding powder mix. And the 3 and 4 year olds planted four leaf clover seeds and watched them sprout these past few weeks.

Staff development continues with our PITC trainings.

Staff development continues with our PITC (Programs for Infant Toddler Caregivers) trainings. Floor plans and room arrangements were

reviewed by the staff and trainer to incorporate the best room design so staff can implement breaking up into small groups. Small groups provide a calmer more relaxed atmosphere when working with infants and toddlers. All staff also attended a training on the 5 Right Practices of Medication Administration. This training was hosted by Learning Center and is also a new criteria added to NAEYC accreditation. All staff must be trained in properly administering medication to the children in our care and the 5 right practices shows us 5 steps to take to eliminate any mistakes when administering medication.

This month ended with our annual school portraits that were taken March 19th and 20th.

ClubHouse Academy

Get ready for an entertaining spring! Clubhouse Theatre has been working hard to prepare for this spring's theatre events including the performances of Back to the 80's and Willy Wonka! Bob and Tanya, the cast members, and his group of dedicated volunteers have been preparing for these highly anticipated shows since December and are putting the final touches on the marvelous sets and extraordinary costumes. With titles like Willy Wonka and Back to the 80's, theatre fans know they are in for a real treat. These brilliant performances will be taking place at the Fountain Valley Kingston branch during the first two weeks of April, so don't miss out on



the opportunity to see some of the club's most talented young performers.

The Clubhouse Academy dance program and gymnastic program are still growing strong and are starting to prepare for their spring showcases. Karate and Tae-Kwon Dao are continuing to excel as six graduating students were recognized for their accomplishments this past month. With the successful Winter Showcases, the Clubhouse Academy is filled with new members, young and old, who are excited to be a part of these incredible programs.

Basketball and Soccer enjoyed a strong registration period and over 500 members are ready to get the spring season underway. The



Clubhouse Academy has a lot going on this spring, so be sure to stop by and be a part of the action!



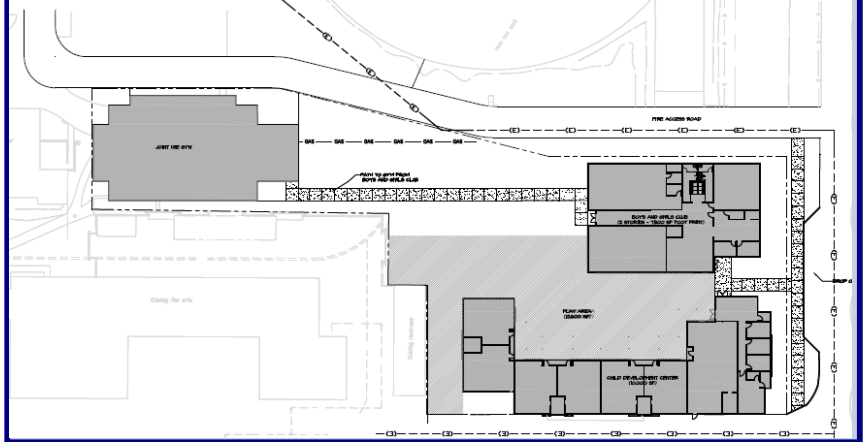
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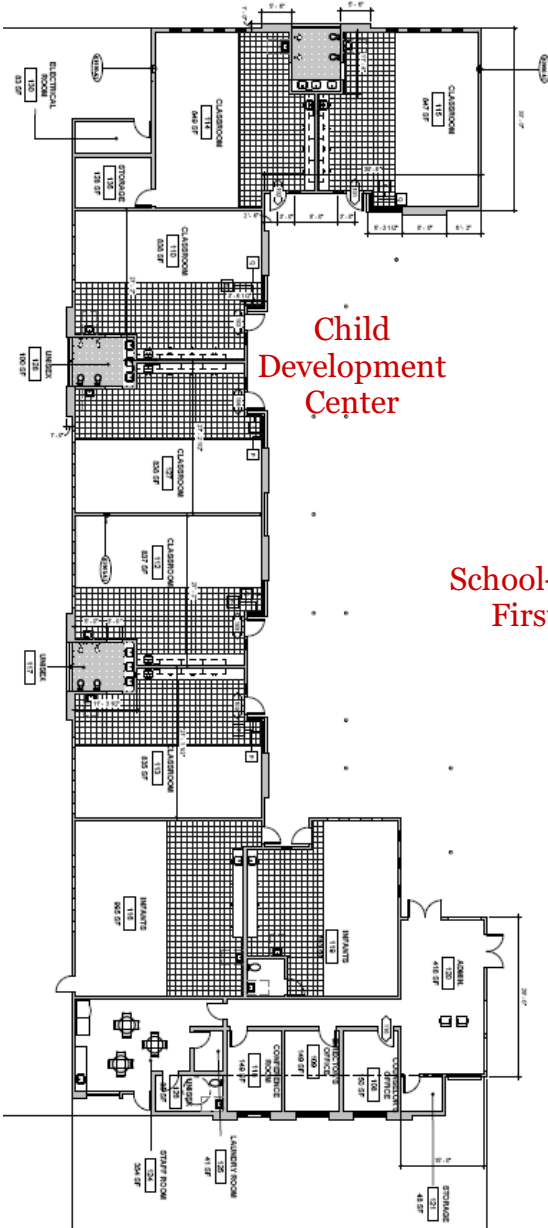
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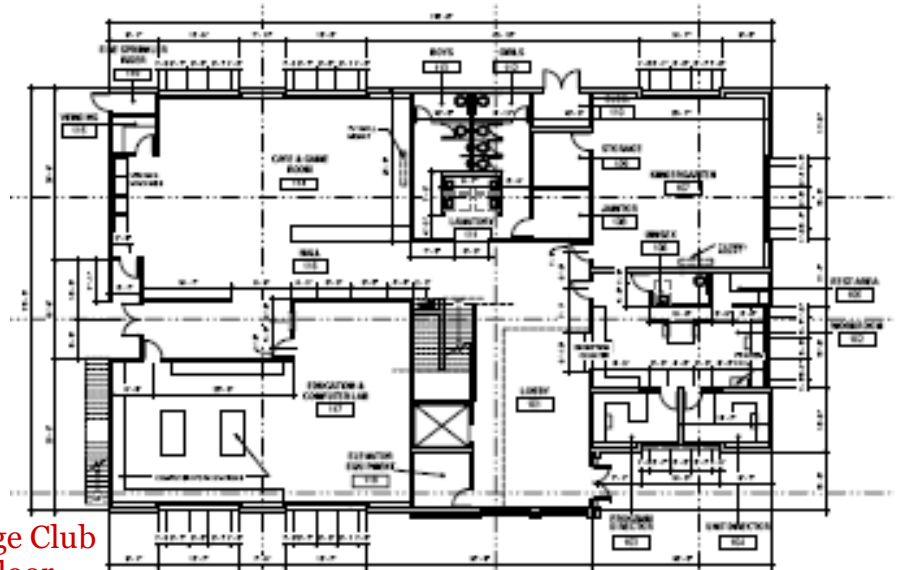
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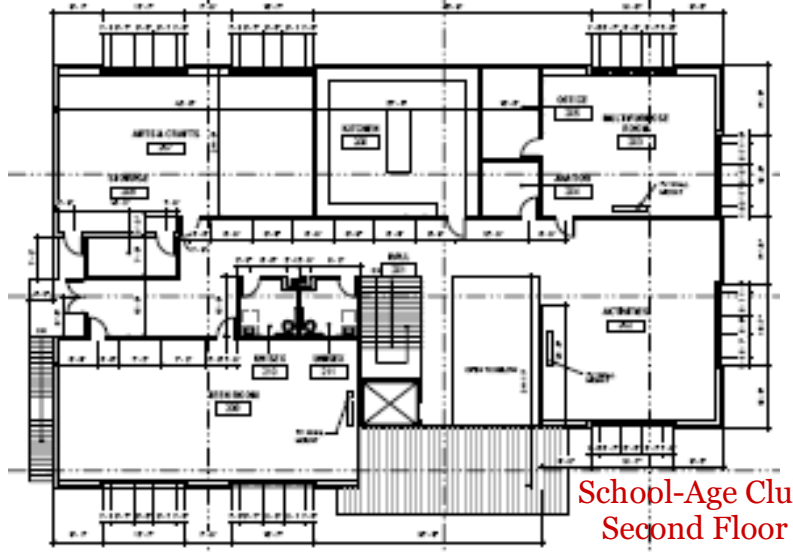
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DESIGN IS NOW COMPLETE!**



**Child
Development
Center**



**School-Age Club
First Floor**



**School-Age Club
Second Floor**