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# Four Outstanding Young People Honored as Youth of the Year



## YOUTH OF THE YEAR

Each year, every branch of every Boys & Girls Club around the world chooses a member who stands out for their character, service and leadership. These children are honored as “Youth of the Year.” This honor is something kids work toward all year. Throughout the entire year, children are chosen as “Member of the Week.” From among those, every month, a child is chosen as “Member of the Month.” Finally, one of the “Members of the Month” who has truly excelled is selected to be each branch’s Youth of the Year. Our Club’s Youth of the Year are chosen from among 9,500 youth from more than 30 schools in four local school districts - these children are impressive! Get to know our four Youth of the Year!

### AMANDA THORNE, AGE 12

**Branch:** Fountain Valley-Kingston, member for 4 years

**Favorite Club Activity:** Amanda loves the Mentoring Club. Teens get paired up with kindergarteners to do activities together, like reading and playing games. Amanda says, “It’s my favorite club because I like to interact with the little kids and be able to help them in what they’re doing.”

### What’s Great About Amanda?

“The moment Amanda stepped into the Teen Room, she showed leadership, excitement, a willingness to volunteer, and so much more. She is a true leader in the making! She has the same excitement for any Club event she’s a part of and is always willing to help out.”

– Diana Kacic, FV Program Director

**Amanda’s Great Future:** Amanda plans to go to USC and become a pediatric nurse. She’s even hoping to start a small babysitting service to learn more about kids in the meantime.





### JOCELYN LOPEZ, AGE 10

**Branch:** Oak View, member for 1 year

**Favorite Club Activity:** Jocelyn loves playing sports in the gym. Her favorite memory is scoring her first goal while playing soccer at the Club. She says, "If it wasn't for the Oak View Branch, I would not get to know all the sports that I now love to play!"

**What's Great About Jocelyn?** "Jocelyn is a leader at the Club and is always open to new challenges. She strives to excel in every area she participates in, whether it's the playground, the gym, or the education room. She's a great role model for younger kids." – Rebecca Sanchez, Oak View Program Director

**Jocelyn's Great Future:** Jocelyn hopes to become a doctor so she can help families when they're sick. She plans to be the first member of her family to go to college and hopes to make them proud!

### ERIN KLIEWER, AGE 14

**Branch:** ClubHouse Academy, member for 8 years

**Favorite Club Activity:** Erin is an active member of the Club's karate program. She says, "The Boys & Girls Club means so much to me. The Club is a place where I can learn about different sports. This wonderful facility is also a place where I can be myself. It's also a place where I am able to make new friends. With these elements, the Boys & Girls Club is an amazing place."

**What's Great About Erin?** "Erin has a big personality! It is a pleasure to have her at our Club. She shows strong character and leadership. She's very dedicated and committed, and she's been helpful to her karate instructors by mentoring younger students. I feel confident that she will be very successful in the future." – Sem Ibrahim, ClubHouse Academy Unit Director

**Erin's Great Future:** Erin is well on her way towards earning a black belt!

### CAITLIN TAVARES, AGE 13

**Branch:** Huntington Beach, member for 6.5 years

**Favorite Club Activity:** Caitlin loves playing games like Catchphrase and Charades with everyone in the Teen Room. She also enjoys volunteer projects like park clean ups, helping out with Club carnivals, helping younger members with their homework and reading to the kindergarteners.

**What's Great About Caitlin?** "Caitlin was chosen for Youth of the Year because she is a wonderful role



model. She's a hard worker who tries her absolute best and cares about making the world a better place.

She enjoys helping others and is a great friend to those around her." – Danielle Tobias, HB Program Director

**Caitlin's Great Future:** Caitlin wants to go to college and become a photographer.



# Boys & Girls Club Will Break Ground This Summer at Golden West College

## “GREAT CONSTRUCTION STARTS HERE”

If you swing by our preschool at Golden West College in the next few months, you'll see more than happy children enjoying the summer sunshine. That's because we plan to **START BUILDING** the remaining phases of our Family Campus! The Club will **BREAK GROUND** on the Harry & Jayne Boand Gymnasium this summer. And, the Kingston Branch School-Age Center will not be far behind. The full Family Campus will be ready to serve kids and parents in 2015!

But, we need your support to make it happen. The Boys & Girls Club has raised \$5 million of the \$11.5 million needed to fully fund the new Family Campus. We're well on our way, but we desperately need your help!

Your support for this project will make a world of difference to up to 2,500 youth per year. With a new gym and school-age Club, the Boys & Girls Club will be able to offer even more great programs for kids of all ages. By helping complete the new Family Campus...

- You'll help parents work or go back to school and you'll inspire generations of kids to go to college.
- You'll give kids year-round homework help, tutoring, technology education, and fun recreational programs that will help them do better in school.
- You'll help kids be healthy and fit with sports leagues, fitness activities, and cooking and nutrition classes.

- You'll help pre-teens and teens make smart life choices with programs like “Smart Girls” and “Passport to Manhood.”
- You'll help expand the Twilight Education Project, a free program for low-income English Language Learner families – learn all about this program and its brand new Kids Café on the back cover!

A dad named Rolando told us about his experience with the Club's on-campus preschool. He says, “I am taking the steps to improve my children's future by getting an education myself. I have faith that furthering my education will open more doors for us. But, without help from the Boys & Girls Club, I would have to drop out of school and get a second job to pay for childcare.” Opening the door to a new Boys & Girls Club will help many more families take advantage of every opportunity to create a great future for themselves and their children.



Gymnasium

**CONSTRUCTION** for the Harry & Jayne Boand Gymnasium and Kingston Branch School-Age Center **BEGINS THIS SUMMER!**



School-Age Center

## COMMUNITY MEMBERS PARTY IT UP IN SUPPORT OF THE BUILDING DREAMS CAMPAIGN

On March 15th, the Surf City Rotary Club of Huntington Beach hosted its 7th Annual "Surf City Splash" event. 250 guests gathered at the beautiful Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort to bid on fabulous auction items, dine and dance the night away. In all,



the event has donated nearly \$200,000 over the last seven years, including \$32,000 this year for the Boys & Girls Club's Family Campus. Other funds raised at the event support Rotary's other local and international charitable projects. One Rotarian says: "Whenever anyone asks me what Rotary is all about, I always quote *Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure*: 'Be excellent to one another and party on, dude!'" The Boys & Girls Club is grateful to Rotary and all involved for making Splash such an excellent, fun and successful event!

Other groups around town are having a blast while helping build the new Boys & Girls Club. We thank them for their past support and hope you will get involved with our upcoming events:

**Solita Grand Opening** – This new restaurant in Bella Terra raised \$5,000 in support of the capital campaign with their grand opening event. Thank you, Solita!

**Saturday, June 14th: Chili at the Beach** – Have fun in the sun at HB Downtown's 7th Annual Chili at the Beach event with chili and salsa tastings, exciting vendors and fun performances all day long. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the new Boys & Girls Club. \$10,000 has been donated from past years' events! Check out [hbdowntown.com/chili-at-the-beach.html](http://hbdowntown.com/chili-at-the-beach.html) for more information.

**Saturday, August 2nd: Pins for Kids Bowling Tournament** – Strike up some fun with the Kiwanis Club of Fountain Valley at the 6th Annual Pins for Kids Bowling Tournament at Fountain Bowl! They've raised nearly \$58,000 for the Building Dreams campaign over the last 5 years. You can help this year by donating auction items or getting a foursome of bowlers together. Call (714) 593-0753, ext. 109 to get involved.

## You Can Help Build the New Boys & Girls Club

How can you get involved? There are lots of ways to help!

**Make your gift today using the enclosed blue envelope!** You can make a one-time gift, or set up a recurring donation to support the campaign throughout the year.

**Join the Capital Campaign Committee.** You can join a team of committed individuals who help by reaching out to business and community leaders and asking for their support of the campaign. If you would like to get involved, please e-mail [laura@bgchv.com](mailto:laura@bgchv.com).

**Join Project BUILD.** Promote your business while helping build a new Boys & Girls Club! Project BUILD businesses contribute to the Building Dreams campaign and ask their patrons to do the same. Maybe you ask for a \$1 donation at point of sale. Maybe you pledge to give a percentage of sales on one day of the month. In this flexible program, the Club works with you to create a donation plan that works best for your business. And, we'll promote your business as part of our Project BUILD partnership – everybody wins! To find out more, call Laura at (714) 309-4962 or visit [BuildingDreamsCampaign.com](http://BuildingDreamsCampaign.com).

# Oak View Branch Helps 8<sup>th</sup> Grader Go from 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Reading Level to 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading Level

About a year and a half ago, the Boys & Girls Club opened a new branch in the Oak View community. In case you aren't sure where that is, it's a one square mile area located between Slater, Warner, Beach, and Gothard in Huntington Beach. You might know it as the "Slater Slums." At the Oak View Branch, every single child lives in poverty. The average family has three kids and supports them on an income of less than \$1,400 per month. They need extra help and support. The Boys & Girls Club provides it – with your help.

In our recent annual report, we told you about how donors like you helped the Club change the life of a child named Cecilia from the Oak View Branch's summer program. Her story just keeps getting

jumped ahead two grade levels! Throughout the school year, Cecilia kept up the hard work with help from the Club's staff. Now, in the spring semester, she's reading at a 7th grade level! We're confident she'll be at grade level by the end of the year.

Thanks to generous donors like you, the Boys & Girls Club is COMPLETELY FREE for Cecilia and all the kids at Oak View. By supporting the Club, you are making sure that the 425 kids enrolled at the Oak View Branch get the help they need.



better and better, so we wanted to update you on her continued progress. Cecilia is an 8th grader at the Oak View Branch. When she first started coming to the Boys & Girls Club last summer, she was reading at a 2nd grade level. That's six grades behind! With a lot of encouragement and cajoling from Club staff, Cecilia agreed to participate in the Club's KidzLit summer reading program. From there, big things began to happen for her. In just eight weeks, Cecilia's reading

## Notes from Cecilia...

**What's your favorite kind of story to read?** "I like reading books about historical events and learning about the past. My favorite book is *The Upstairs Room*." It's a Newbery Honor book about two young Jewish sisters in hiding during the Holocaust.

**What's your favorite memory from the Boys & Girls Club?** "I loved the water carnival in the summer. It was so fun and I got to play different water games that I hadn't played before. Plus, it was a hot day, so the water felt great!"

**How has the Boys & Girls Club helped you with school?** "The Club helps a lot with my reading and also by providing technology. I can use computers at the Club to look up my assignments and work on them."

# JMG Golf Tournament Helps Raise Money for Oak View Programs

Would you like to do something fun to help the kids at the Club's Oak View Branch? Here's your chance to make a difference. On May 14th, JMG Security Systems and Pacific Premier Bank will host their annual benefit golf tournament. It's a great day of golf at Mile Square Golf Course. With more than 50 raffle prizes, drinks on the course, awards for the best and worst teams, a trick shot show, and more - it's just a lot of fun. This event has raised more than \$1.16 million for the kids in its 19-year history. This year, the tournament's goal is bigger than ever! \$100,000. Ken Jacobs, President of JMG Security Systems, has been moved by the need he's seen in the Oak View community and the work that the Club is doing. So, this year, he's pushing to raise more than ever to help kids in Oak View, the community's most impoverished neighborhood.



Will you join JMG Security Systems and Pacific Premier Bank in helping kids at the Oak View Branch? You can be the one to help kids like Cecilia be prepared for success in high school. Get involved today! Support the golf tournament by calling (800) 900-4JMG. You can sign up to golf, donate raffle items, or make a cash donation. Or, you can send in your gift for the Oak View Branch in the enclosed blue envelope today. Your \$50 donation will sponsor a child for the whole summer. Your \$250 donation will sponsor a child for an entire year!

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## Preschools Celebrate Week of the Young Child

From April 7-11, the Boys & Girls Club joined the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) in celebrating the Week of the Young Child. Both of the Club's preschools planned a full week of festivities to celebrate. At "Muffins with Mom" and "Donuts with Dad," parents and children enjoyed breakfast and crafts together. Kids also heard from parents and teachers about what makes them special. And on Friday, the week wrapped up with an exciting carnival complete with a petting zoo and pony rides!

The kids had a blast and we had a wonderful time celebrating and honoring the people who are most important to us at the Boys & Girls Club – THE KIDS! Check out more photos from the week on the Club's Facebook page at [facebook.com/BGCHV](https://facebook.com/BGCHV).



# Boys & Girls Club and Second Harvest Partner to Feed Hungry Kids

Did you know that more than 20% of Orange County kids don't know where their next meal is coming from? This is shocking! In Orange County, we think of fabulous restaurants and sandy beaches, not kids going hungry. But, it's true. Right beside all the opulence and affluence is a lot of poverty. Feeding America recently

kids get homework help and tutoring. Young children learn preschool basics so they'll be ready to succeed in school. Twilight takes place three nights a week at Golden West College. Each night the program runs, the Boys & Girls Club provides free transportation on its yellow school buses. Participants come from 24 neighborhood bus stops in Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley, and Westminster. And, thanks to generous collaborative partners, volunteers, and supporters like you, the program is completely free for participants.

Most families in the program are surviving on less than \$15,000 per year despite Orange County's extremely high cost of living. CEO Tanya Hoxsie comments, "When kids are hungry, they can't concentrate. They're focused on their rumbling stomachs, not getting help with their math homework. Now, they have a full belly and the security of knowing that they'll have a meal each night they come to the program. We think kids will be better able to concentrate and learn." The program serves about 95 meals every night. There are never

any leftovers! "The kids love it!" says Twilight Program Director Rebecca Sanchez.



ranked Orange County #10 in the nation for childhood food insecurity. Instead of focusing on school and enjoying life as a carefree kid, 1 out of every 5 children in Orange County is worried that they may not get dinner tonight.

The Boys & Girls Club wants to make sure every hungry child gets enough to eat. So, we teamed up with Second Harvest Food Bank and their Kids Café program. Together, we give low-income kids in the Club's Twilight Education Project a healthy meal each night of the program. Now, families know they can count on the Boys & Girls Club to make sure their kids get enough to eat when they are at Twilight.

The Twilight Education Project gives English Language Learner families the opportunity to gain the skills and resources they need to succeed in our community. Parents learn ESL, job skills, and life skills. School age

## Get involved with the Twilight Education Project!

There are lots of ways you can help. You can read with kids. You can help with homework. You can tutor elementary, middle and high school students. You can help Surf City Rotary with their weekend backpack food program. Give us a call at (714) 593-0753, ext. 109 to talk about how your time and interests can make a big difference to a child who needs you. Together, we can give kids the support and resources they need to be happy, healthy and successful!