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# Boys & Girls Club of Franklin's November 2013 Donor Newsletter

**THANKS TO:** All of our donors and community partners! The Club is able to offer quality programs in a safe environment to many kids thanks to your support! You're investing in the future!

**PARTNERSHIPS TO RECOGNIZE:**

**CenturyLink** for sponsoring the Club's annual Halloween Carnival Open House that is offered FREE to the public. It was held Monday, October 28th from 5:30 pm—7:30 pm. There were approximately 600 people in attendance to enjoy a bounce house, pumpkin and cookie decorating and carnival games with candy and prizes. What a fun family event!!! We also appreciate the people that volunteered their time to help at this event.

**City of Franklin and United Way of Johnson County:** As always, we appreciate the City of Franklin and United Way of Johnson County for continuing to offer SUBSTANTIAL support to the Club!

**McDonald's Franklin East** (owner, Andy Ball) for being the presenting sponsor for the Kids' Triathlon that was held on June 28th at Franklin Community High School. This, too, was a fantastic event! The 2014 Kids' Triathlon is scheduled for Saturday, June 28th....same time...same place!!! Other sponsors for this event included Johnson Memorial Hospital Foundation, 1-800-QUIT NOW, Partnership for a Healthier Johnson County, Performance Bicycle, Franklin Rotary Club and Roberts Legal Group.

**Joe Houglan:** A huge thank you to Joe Houglan, who arranged for a great deal on replacing all of the lighting fixtures throughout the Wonder Five Center. He saved the Club and the City a boatload of money!!!

## Teen Highlights

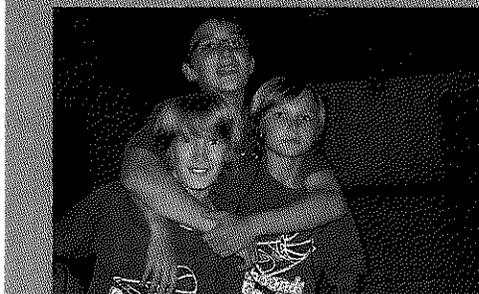
The Boys & Girls Club of Franklin is proud to serve youth ages 6 through 18 throughout all of Johnson County. Our organization inspires our members to accomplish great things in all facets of their lives. Our teen members have the opportunity to participate in programs that can enrich their lives. The national programs that we are currently conducting are: Money Matters, Voice, Torch Club (for 11—13 year olds) and Keystone Club (for 14 and older members). These programs teach the kids leadership qualities and life skills they need to be successful in life. Two other programs that are offered for the teens are the Get-Fit Club and Kidz Newz.

We are pleased to announce that we have two new programs that are being offered. The first program is Voice, which is a tobacco awareness group that empowers kids to take action against the tobacco companies.

So far this semester the kids have participated in two special activities on behalf of the Club. One of the activities was personally contacting various tobacco companies every six seconds to symbolize that a person dies every six seconds from tobacco use. For the other activity the kids participated at the Club's Halloween Open House by manning a booth where they distributed informational sheets regarding the dangers of tobacco use to the families that attended.

The other new program the Club has for the teens ages 14 and above is the Keystone Club. The Boys & Girls Club of Franklin has never had a Keystone Club before this semester because we didn't have enough kids that attended that were the appropriate age. Now we have six members that participate. Our Keystone Club is working on conducting a food drive for the Interchurch Food Pantry of Johnson County. They will also be participating in the United Way of Johnson County's Christmas Angels Program. The kids will be sponsoring a family in need for Christmas.

The Teen Director, Kevin Leonard, and the teens want to take this opportunity to thank all donors for making these kinds of programs possible.



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## PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT!

The Club has been busy during the first three months of the school year. The After School Program continues to see increasing numbers. We currently have 258 members being transported by bus or van to the Club after school. We have already seen 362 different members during the first 3 months of the 2013-14 school year, and our average daily attendance is 195 children per day. Club attendance has reached or exceeded 200 kids on 20 days so far this quarter.

Franklin College's Work-Study Program continues to be a valuable partnership for the Club as we currently employ 35 FC students to mentor our after school population and provide refs for our sports programs. The college also provides numerous volunteers that venture over to the Club from campus to do activities with our kids. Currently the Pi Delta Phi sorority is promoting reading and conducting a literacy program two times a week at the Club.

The Club continues to conduct outreach programming at Webb and Needham Elementary Schools with its SMART Kids Program. Over 20 students are learning about good decision making and how to resist peer pressure against alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Creekside and Northwood Elementary Schools will also participate in the program before the end of 2013.

Stop by the Club when you get a chance and see the results of the Day of Caring project that Lowe's of Franklin volunteers accomplished--- a Game Room makeover! **Thanks Lowe's!**

As the Boys & Girls Club of Franklin continues its mission, donor generosity and thoughtfulness is truly appreciated as we grow and serve more members.

## MEMBERS OF THE MONTH

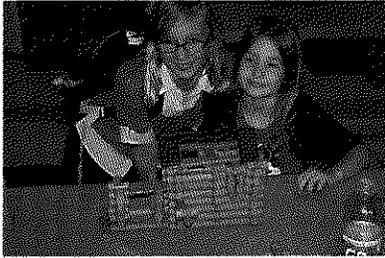
	<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	<u>OCTOBER</u>
<b>ARTS &amp; CRAFTS</b>	Madyson Downey	Hadley Lautenbach	Summer Scherer
<b>COMPUTERS</b>	Hannah King	Lucas Hoehn	Jeremiah Bailon
<b>GAME ROOM</b>	Fletcher DePalma	Gavin Ratliff	Kylee Hunter
<b>GYM</b>	Alec Bray	Gregory Hueston	Bryce Richardson
<b>HOMEWORK</b>	Katey Gantt	Tiffany Bailon	Cameron Morgan
<b>LEGO'S</b>	Kamdyn Stevens	Andrew Schauer	Michael Litherland
<b>INDIANA KIDS</b>	Michael Niemeyer	Emily Woodall	Chloe Herron
<b>TEENS</b>	Alexandria Tasich	Madison Jessie	Macy Neal

**ATHLETICS (TOTAL UNDUPLICATED NUMBERS):** Total number of participants in the Club's Athletic Programs from 6/6 present: 753. We have had 130 coaches volunteer their time.

The Club will continue to partner with the Indiana Section PGA/Indiana Golf Foundation to provide an outreach Golf Program in the spring and possibly summer.

Now that the final Boys & Girls Club of Franklin's Bantam Football season has come to an end the Club's Athletic Director, Jeremy Spicer, would like to personally thank all the many individuals that had a hand in making the league what it is today. He has seen the program grow inch by inch over the past 4 years. This wouldn't have been possible without all the volunteer committee members and, more importantly, the volunteer coaches. The time and effort put in by these individuals is greatly appreciated.

K-2 grade boys and girls basketball games will begin on Saturday, November 2 thru December 21st. 5th and 6th grade co-ed basketball will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning November 26th—December 21st.



**Boys & Girls Club of  
Franklin Mission  
Statement:**

*"To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens by providing quality programming to the youth of Johnson County that focuses on education, the arts, technology, and health and physical fitness in a safe and positive environment."*



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