JULY 2017 CLUB NEWS



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

OF SANTA FE/DEL NORTE



Our Summer Program Ends July 28th Register Now for After School!!

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Santa Fe/Del Norte is the oldest provider of after school programs in Northern New Mexico. From August-May of each year, we operate our award-winning After School Program at Club sites, Monday-Friday from 3:30 to 6:00 pm.

We provide programming to children on most school holidays and breaks, as well as in-service and parent/teacher conference days. Transportation is provided from the following schools to our Clubs in Santa Fe:

ALTO - Gonzales, Aspen, Carlos Gilbert

CAMINO DE JACOBO - Ramirez Thomas, Sweeney

VALLE VISTA - Turquoise Trail, Amy Biehl

ZONA - Cesar Chavez, Sweeney, Nino Otero, El Camino Real, Santa Nino, Ortiz,

Pinon, Nava, Kearney, Turquoise Trail, Chaparral, EJ Martinez

Research has shown that kids who participate in after school programs have:

- Higher grades and test scores
- Improved attitudes toward school, higher expectations for school achievement, better work habits, and higher attendance rates.
- Lower youth involvement in risky behaviors: drinking, smoking, using drugs, having sex, and becoming involved in violence
- Significant increase in positive behaviors: social and behavioral adjustment, better relations with peers, more effective conflict resolution strategies, and increased parent involvement

More information about our 2017-2018 After School Program is available on our website at www.bgcsantafe.org/membership along with the application form.



Pay membership fees online using PayPal.

Be sure to include child's name, Club they attend and payment period.

Danielle Trujillo Attends BGC Southwest "Youth of the Year" Celebration

On June 28th, nearly 900 guests gathered in Dallas for the Southwest Region Youth of the Year Celebration.

Danielle Trujillo from BGC Santa Fe/Del Norte represented the State of New Mexico. Danielle and seven other teens from states throughout the Southwest Region competed for the Southwest Youth of the Year title and a four-year scholarship totaling \$40,000. Those who competed are the state Youth of the Year winners from Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, Montana, New Mexico, Texas and Wyoming. All eight teens made it to the finals



because of their academic achievements, community service and leadership abilities, and spoke at the ceremony about their Boys & Girls Club experiences.

Above: Danielle with Candoleeza Rice

The winner, from the Boys & Girls Club of Benton County, Arkansas, will compete for National Youth of the Year in September in Washington, D.C.

Danielle will be attending the 2017 Advanced Leaders Institute on July 20-23 in Atlanta along with other State and Military Youths of the Year.

Congratulations to all!



More than 1,800 boxing fans packed the arena at Buffalo Thunder Resort and Casino on June 24th to support the Boys & Girls Clubs of Santa Fe/Del Norte.

The Inaugural 911 Rumble was organized by the Club and Holmes Boxing to raise funds to support programs dedicated to the youth we serve.

As the bell rang, the community came together in the arena for a night of action-packed boxing. The vibe in the air was electric and the excitement from the volunteer boxers was tense! We would like to thank everyone who came out to support the event, the sponsors of the event, and the fighters who participated to raise funds for our programs. This production was a huge success and we cannot wait to bring it back next summer!

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Above:

Torch Club members volunteer at Pacifica Senior Center



These activities

develop socialization, problem-solving, communications, goal-setting and decision-making skills. The objective is to have teens develop a moral compass and value qualities such as honesty, justice, fairness and respect for self and others.

Our Torch Club meets on Mondays and performs community service projects every Friday. Members elected a President, Vice-President and Secretary and are currently planning activities for the upcoming school year.

Right: Helping wash and dry dog blankets and towels at the Santa Fe Animal Shelter

New Torch Club Off to a Great Start!

Fourteen boys and girls from our Santa Fe Clubs recently formed a new Torch Club.

Torch Clubs are chartered, small-group leadership and service clubs for boys and girls ages 11 to 13. Members learn to work together to plan and implement activities in four areas: service to Club and community; education; health and fitness; and social recreation.

Through service activities, Torch Club Members identify Club and community needs, develop programs and activities and actively participate in their community. These activities also provide experience in the democratic process. Above all, they give young people a chance to contribute something of value to others. Torch Club Members also take part in educational activities that focus on personal development.



Summer Program News

This year, over 400 school-aged kids are enrolled in our Summer Program.

Program activities include not only recreation, but also reading time to help prepare members for the upcoming school year.

Field trips are one of the kids' favorite activities and have included



swimming, movies, soccer camp, Los Golondrinas, Bug Museum, and the library.

Left: Kids at our Camino de Jacobo Club in Santa Fe celebrated the end of June with a luau-themed party.

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By supporting the Boys & Girls Clubs of Santa Fe/Del Norte, you are supporting the youth in our communities. Your contribution allows us to offer more programs and opportunities that will enable our children to reach their full potential.



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who need us most, to reach their full potential
as productive, caring, responsible citizens."

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