



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF DOOR COUNTY**

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Perhaps the best Yuletide decoration is being
wreathed in smiles!



Julie Davis Looks Ahead To 2020

What Is The Vision For Boys & Girls Club of Door County?

Dear Friends,

Roxanne Spillet, former president of Boys & Girls Clubs of America, was a visionary leader who changed the face of Boys & Girls Clubs nationwide. Her vision was to create a golden age in which Boys & Girls Clubs were a catalyst for a new America; an America in which success is within the reach of every child, and whole generations of children are inspired to a level of civic engagement not seen since the founding of our nation.

Her vision is big, it is bold and it is transformative. In Door County, we also believe that our vision for youth needs to be big, bold and transformative.

In our vision, we believe that every child deserves a solid academic platform on which to build and that academic success is the key to future workforce success.

We believe that in a world of growing violence and intolerance, our Club should be a place of refuge, healing and support. That respect and understanding are core values each child needs to develop and that we as staff need to model and coach these traits. Our vision includes youth with good character.

We know that in a world where fast food is cheap and sports are more likely to be played on a couch than the backyard, it is essential to coach kids toward nutritious decisions and healthy lifestyles. Our vision is to be leaders in healthy eating and active games; to get kids off the couch and invested in the world around them.

And in America, basic need barriers to success like hunger shouldn't be what is standing between our children and a future that allows them to become active contributors to their community.

Our vision is big. Our vision is that by 2020, the Boys & Girls Club is the most widely sought-after, self-sustaining non-profit in Door County. It is a dynamic place, attracting all youth and catering to those who need additional support and encouragement. That our facilities promote a sense of safety, security, and pride. And that the children who walk through our doors, feel loved and part of a family. Our vision is that we are an asset to the community where children make memories and learn important life lessons. We teach them to give back, creating a culture of generational legacy. Simply put, our vision is that there is no other place that any child would rather be than at the Boys & Girls Club of Door County.

Bold visions can change communities and transform lives. They need the support of fellow visionaries to become reality. Will you be a catalyst in our community and make it be a community where success is within reach of every child?

Julie Davis

Kids Are Candid in Their Christmas Requests

It's a privilege to share several holiday hopes, straight from the hearts of our kids:

Boy, age 9: "My family needs money for a new well. Our water is running low and we're getting gross water."

Girl, age 8: "Money for groceries and clothes. We can't really afford new clothes."

Girl, age 9: "Money for food so I can help my Dad out because he lost his job. Also a job for my Dad."

Boy, age 5: "I want flowers for my Mom."



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"Sounds Like Fun" All Around Boys & Girls Club

Walking into the lobby of the Club is the first clue that this is a special time of year. This brilliantly decorated tree greets every visitor, and what are the

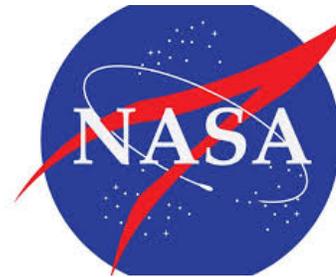
highlights in the boughs? Fabulous fused glass ornaments, each special and created by the boys and girls here at the Club. A suggested donation of \$2 for hand-made art.



Only at Boys & Girls Club Will You Find NASA Programming

Grades 3-8 Students Invited to Participate

What is one more indication of the uniqueness of Boys & Girls Club opportunities? How about the recent announcement from the National Aeronautic and Space Administration (NASA) that our Club was selected to participate in the Out-of-School Learning Program, known as NOSL? For our region, NOSL is directed from the John Glenn Research Center in Ohio. Director of Academic Achievement Natalie LeRoy launched the new program on November 14th, after attending a NASA training session.



Looking Ahead + Community News from Boys & Girls Club

Friday, December 9: Happy Wrapping Tasks! Volunteers wrap and label gifts for more than 60 BGC families. New toys, coats, boots, and much more, will be under the tree on the 25th because many people stepped forward to make it possible.

TBD: December Dinner for all Club members. We'll celebrate food traditions from the Christian and Jewish faiths as well as Kwanzaa culture. What an adventure!

Tuesday, December 27-Friday, December 30: Open at Hatch Center (3rd Avenue location) from 7:30am to 5:30pm.

- **Waseda Farms** once again is partnering with Boys & Girls Club,

meaning a great beef deal is coming in January. Delicious Baileys Harbor-raised ground beef, ground round, ground chuck, ground sirloin, and any hamburger patty. Certified Organic 100% grass-fed beef as well as natural grass-fed meat are included. Both are GMO, hormone, antibiotic and gluten free and humanely raised. Ordering information coming in late December.



- **BGC Stewardship Breakfast** is set for Thursday, February 9th at Stone Harbor. It's our annual gathering to recognize the contributions of many people, introduce the Members of the Year, and enjoy the warmth of friends on a frosty morning.

A Gift To Be Opened Over the Next Three Years

The Boys & Girls Club of Door County (BGCDC) recently received a commitment from Associated Bank for a \$15,000 grant, with monies equally distributed in 2016, 2017, and 2018.



The funds are earmarked to support programming for the more than 450 student members of the Club.

"This financial support for the Boys & Girls Club underlines the work we are doing with families in Door County. 'Great Futures' is our goal, and we want those futures to be great locally, with young people learning the skills necessary to be the next generation of business owners and workers right here. They will be Associated Bank's account holders, mortgage takers, and loan seekers." said Matt Nichols, bank manager.



Sturgeon Bay Store Gives Back to BGC

Younkers is once again partnering with Boys & Girls Clubs this holiday season! Give the Gift of a Great Future when you purchase Peppermint the Bear. Each bear purchased generates a donation to Boys & Girls Clubs. These plush bears are sold for \$7 each, generating a \$2.00 donation when purchased. Bears are available in-store and online now through the end of the holiday season.



Additionally, from November 14th through December 24th, customers can make a \$3.00 donation in store for a \$15 savings on a purchase of \$30 or more!

Mentoring, Creative, and Learning Activities Happen Every Day!



Bagging At EconoFoods on November 19th



Dr Luke Staudenmaier explains how neck muscles are strained by prolonged work on tablets or phones



10.20.2016

Boys & Girls Club of Door County - Lights On After School

Seeing how X-rays works at the "Lights On After School" learning stations



11.10.2016

Boys & Girls Club of Door County - Merry-Time Tree at DCMM

Club members made our Merry-Time tree a colorful presence next to the SS Badger model at the Maritime Museum.

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