



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**  
OF DOOR COUNTY



"All About Food" Club members are making kale chips in the Hatch Center kitchen under the guidance of Healthy Lifestyles Coordinator Susan Gigot-Klein.

After crisping in the oven, the chips are sprinkled with salt, pepper, and grated cheddar cheese. The kids were unanimous in their opinions...

*delicious!*

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## ***Learning Center Guide Tops New Menu Choices for Club Members***

We're excited to introduce something brand new and offering so much potential for our Club kids! That's a pretty exciting promise with which to begin a New Year. You and your child(ren) now have the next 60 days of programming clearly laid out in the LEARNING CENTER GUIDE. What are the Clubs (e.g. activities) that tap into a current interest? What is coming up to introduce new a concept or to intrigue an inquisitive mind?

The Boys & Girls Club staff is educated and ready to fulfill the promises inherent in that title. Check out the first Learning Center Guide below and then let us know what you think.

- *Jessica Heck, Director of Operations*

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**LEARNING CENTER GUIDE**  
Menu-driven for maximum buy-in

These (8) pages outline the after-school plan for the next 8 weeks to open the new year. Each major area - Sawyer, Hatch grades 3-5, Kindergarten, and Robert Knapp Teen Center - has time blocks laid out with a different activity each day and approximately each hour.

Download the Guide here: [Jan-Feb 17 Learning Center Guide](#)

Amongst the 8-week Learning Center Activities Guide are programs for which our Club members can pre-register. These programs have limited space, and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis each session. Here's the link: [Pre-Registration Form](#)

Parents/guardians will be invited to participate in these programs, or view an end-result. There is no additional cost for these sessions. We do ask that if a member makes a commitment to participate that they attend all 8 weeks and stay for the entire time scheduled.



## INTRODUCING BRIT GARTNER

Director, Robert Knapp Teen Center

For those of you who I have yet to meet, my name is Brit Gartner. I have been with this organization for over 2 years and am so thankful to be a part of the changes that have taken place, both physical and philosophical, throughout our Boys & Girls Club. I studied education at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, but then decided to focus more broadly by attaining a degree in Community Development & Wellness. Each day I am given the opportunity to help kids through whatever struggle their day has brought them as well as create opportunities for them to find their passions in the world. Beyond our walls I have the constant chance to connect with and work toward creating a better community both now and for years down the road. Thank you for allowing us to get to know your kid(s) and be a part of their growth as humans! *(Photo: From this past summer, Brit is in the forefront, surrounded by teens about to take a cruise on the fireboat)*



## TEEN CUISINE LAUNCHING ON TUESDAYS - REGISTER NOW!

*In The Kitchen with Brit Gartner* Begins January 3rd from 4:00-5:30. Teen Cuisine is a new program designed for a limited run; it is open only to our teen members

(grades 6-12). Food plays such a great role in our lives: it is the energy that keeps us moving but it has also taken a spotlight in our culture. Throughout this first session, teens will learn basic knife skills and a variety of cooking methods. They will have the opportunity to consider how cost effective and delicious it can be to cook vs. buy prepared/fast food. The role science plays in the cooking process from chemical reactions to catalysts, nitrogen fixation to emulsification is the focus of the first session. Future themes may include: local fare, homemade snacks, and global dishes. Joining us to help teach some skills in the kitchen will be local chef Adam Scheirl.

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## **EVENING MEAL NOW SERVED 3x PER WEEK**

With the opening of the commercial kitchen at the Hatch Center, free meals increased 2,995 in 2014 to 6,219 in 2016, served at both sites. Thanks to David Hatch for the donation that made this crucial addition possible.



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## **Important Dates / January-February 2017**

Friday, Jan. 20: Half-day for Sturgeon Bay and Southern Door schools; no school for Sevastopol. Both Sawyer and Hatch Center open at 11:30am.

Friday, Jan. 27: Closing at 5:30pm at both sites for staff training.

Thursday, Feb. 9: Stewardship Breakfast at Stone Harbor Resort, 7am. Please call Mark Knapp to make a reservation, 920-818-1046, then press 6.

Thursday, Feb. 16: Half-day for Sevastopol. Hatch Center open at 12:00pm.

Friday, Feb. 17: No school for Sevastopol. Sites open at normal times.

Friday, Feb. 24: No school for Sturgeon Bay and Southern Door. Hatch Center open from 7:30am-5:30pm.

## **Looking Ahead:**

Thursday, March 9: World's Fair

Saturday, April 8: Hunting the Wily Egg

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# TOWN HALL MEETING

*Join us for a Town Hall Meeting to discuss how drug and alcohol use or abuse affects all of us.*

**Thursday, January 26 @ 6pm**  
**Crossroads at Big Creek • Collins Learning Center**  
**2041 Michigan Street, Sturgeon Bay**

**FREE, OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, MATURE AUDIENCE**  
**Students who bring a parent or guardian will be eligible**  
**to win a \$50 Amazon Gift Card.**

We invite you to listen, learn, and possibly stand up and speak out about your views on drugs and alcohol. How they affect everyone and many things. The mind, the family, the wallet... our community. Let's talk and work to prevent addictions.

Expect education and discussion on culture, awareness, and the perception of drug use (legal or not) such as alcohol, marijuana, and prescription drugs. Other topics include, peer pressure and addiction: what it looks like, feels like, and how to know if someone is experiencing it.

