



Performing at two locations on December 9th and 10th, the Peninsula Singers Youth Choir delighted audiences in Sturgeon Bay and Fish Creek. Wonderful job by our Boys & Girls Club members, and by Choir Director Carmen Youra and BGC Arts Coordinator Nicole Champeny. Thank you, Peninsula Singers, for your confidence and encouragement.



*May your holidays sparkle and shine!*

**As family and friends gather, all of us at  
Boys & Girls Club of Door County wish  
you health, peace, and a stocking  
overflowing with happiness**

**Local Service Clubs Believe "It's All About the Kids"**



Sturgeon Bay Kiwanis Club continued a beloved tradition for our Kindergarten families: Chicken dinner at The Mill, complete with music, fun, and a surprise visit by jolly old elf who just might have had a bag of presents! Pictured above is Marge Larsen, widow of our Club founder, Jim Larsen.



Sturgeon Bay Lions Club member John Doyle enlisted Julie Davis' help to unwrap many highly desired Snap Circuit kits. Our STEAM Lab participants shrieked in anticipation. Loved it, Lions!

## Make the Cookies...and a Donation?

Our annual Holiday appeal probably arrived at your home right after Thanksgiving. Please take a moment to pick it up again and consider a gift to support the "recipe for great futures." Nourishment for mind, body, and spirit is the goal of the increasingly sophisticated programming here at Boys & Girls Club. With your help, we keep these opportunities available to all young people in Door County. Online donations: [Holiday 2018 Gift](#)

We'll post the cookie recipe on our Facebook page on December 22nd. We hope you "Like" us already, but we'd love to have more friends.



*Time to make the cookies! Did we capture the fun and memories of holiday baking? Along with the Holiday appeal detailing giving options, there was a recipe for whole wheat cookies. Here at the Club, we'll be making those together on 12/22.*

*Your gift during this time of the year is treasured so we can keep the program momentum going into the new year.*

## "Good to see you. Come in. What's on your mind?"

### 27 Mentees Paired With Staff Mentors

More than two dozen Club members have staff mentors in a new program designed to provide additional guidance and one-on-one conversation. Sometimes, just being able to sit in a calmer room, or to discuss a particularly complicated situation is all that's needed for resolution. Other times, a consistent presence truly **listening** without judgement carries tremendous weight toward behavior modification benefiting all the members. This program is funded through a grant from the Office of Justice Programs.

Would you be ready for a successful day without clean clothes or shoes that keep out the snow?



*Click the banner to link to the BGC website donation page. Scroll down to the "Seasonal" header for the Rewind Basic Needs gift section. Thank you for helping a child maintain some dignity and self-confidence.*



Demonstrating their consideration of others who may not have family close by, our Kindergarten members created holiday cards with happy messages for Meals on Wheels recipients as well as for residents of Sturgeon Bay Health Services (formerly Dorchester).



## MIDSUMMER'S MUSIC

It's not often a renowned musical ensemble such as the Hunt Quartet makes time for a performance at Boys & Girls Club, which made the program on December 15th that much more special. The group played selections from Franz Schubert's *Quartettsatz* and from Ludwig van Beethoven's *String Quartet No. 4, Op. 18*, as well as some of the familiar holiday tunes that audiences in Sister Bay and Sturgeon Bay enjoyed over the weekend. Midsummer's Music, thank you for introducing members to the beauty of a live performance of classical compositions!

**Youngers Understands The Great Futures Mission**



Thank you to our Sturgeon Bay Younkers and their corporate parent, Bon-Ton Stores, for the ongoing support of Boys & Girls Club. If you donate just \$3 to BGC, you'll receive a \$15 discount coupon to use by December 24.



All of us at Boys & Girls Club of Door County - members, volunteers, and staff - thank you for your trust in our mission as "The Place To Become." These selfless volunteers gathered on December 8 to wrap hundreds of presents that many of YOU provided. The gifts were delivered to **60 families with 132 children** this week. **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

