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Upcoming Events:

KILLEEN UNITS
Tackle Football & Cheerleading
Registration

Early Bird Registration:
Aug: 13-17 7:30AM—10:30AM
@ Clements Teen Center

Regular Registration:
August 27-31 3:00 PM—7:00 PM
@ Trimmier Unit

Youth of the Month

Bigham Unit
Ajanay H.

Clements Teen Center
Jasmine W.

Stonehaven Unit
Megan T.

Trimmier Unit
Knigel K.

Gatesville Unit
Kristina M.

Lampasas Unit
Isaih M.

Copperas Cove Unit
Dailey F.

Poem of the Month

Hot Summer Day

You feel the hot sun
beaming on your face, on a
hot summer day.

You see and hear the
waves as they hit the rocks,
on a hot summer day.

You hear the dolphins as
they jump for joy during the
sunset, on a hot summer
day.

And as days turn to months
And months turn to years

You'll always remember that
beautiful site, on that hot
summer day.

Angel C (aged 12)
Stonehaven Unit- Georgetown

The Clements Teen Center members were educated about various types of drugs and how they affect one's body. During one activity, they learned how it felt to be a drunk driver. Each member was given the opportunity to ride a scooter while

wearing goggles that gives them the vision of a person whose alcohol level is at 3.5. The members had to drive through an obstacle course. While driving through the obstacle course they were observed, by participants, to see how

many innocent bystanders they hit along the way. Members were attentive and some expressed that they would never drink and drive. The members were also given history concerning blood alcohol levels and legal drinking ages.



Spring Ho

The Boys and Girls Club of Lampasas entered a float in the Spring Ho Parade.

The kids had a lot of fun making the decorations for the float and our float took 3rd place in the parade.

The Boys and Girls Club of Lampasas also hosted the Kids

Day Activities for Spring Ho. It was a great success with over 370 kids attending. We offered a lot of activities such as bounce houses, relay races,

stuffed animal walk, apple bobbing, and a corn shucking contest. We would like to thank everyone who made the day a great success.

Look Who's Going to the State Championships

After an exciting six weeks of competitive swimming, the CBGC Barracudas will be 13 swimmers strong representing Killeen / Ft. Hood area at the 2007 AT&T T.A.A.F. GAMES OF TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS in Cedar Park, TX. The following swimmers will compete at the 2007 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS; Alondra G., Rhiannon W., Alexander B., Chaunte J., Roxanne S., Matthew S., Marcella S., Kristen S., Rayven J., Shelbi C., Tayren T., Stephen S., and Charles J.

The coaches of the CBGC Barracudas, Chemar and Charles Jones, are taking the swimmers to the GAMES OF TEXAS with winning on their minds. The above mentioned thirteen swimmers all won their respective events at the Region 5 Championships, held at the CBGC Natatorium on July 14, 2007, competing against swimmers from 7 other teams in 478 events. The Barracudas are strong and fast, "Our swimmers have a great opportunity to swim their way to victory, and



perhaps break a few records while doing so!" The Barracudas will be swimming at the Elizabeth Milburn Park in Cedar Park, TX July 27, 28, & 29 against 16 other regions consisting of over 1,000 swimmers.

Good luck to CBGC Barracudas swimmers and coaches. GO BARRACUDAS!

Dragonfly Quest

The Dragonfly Quest club members hung 3 birdhouses in the trees at the Bigham Unit. The participants of Dragonfly Quest would like to thank Mr. Marty for making the birdhouses! On several occasions the members have looked for signs of new inhabitants, although none have moved in yet.

Other topics discussed in Dragonfly Quest have been using the scientific method in everyday life and our solar system. The participants were fascinated to learn in a hands-on setting, rather than just reading from a textbook, what constituted a day and a year. Some members played the role of the sun while others moons and planets. Many were shocked to find that if they lived on Mercury they would be in their late forties or early fifties! However, on planets far away from the Sun, such as Neptune, they wouldn't even be half a year old!

The members are very excited about the Dragonfly Quest and ask Ms. Jennifer almost everyday if they can meet before the schedule days of Wednesday and Friday. The staff have been pleased to see the excitement and enthusiasm



expressed by the members to learn more about the world around them. Instead of only being able to spot things they would like to change or ask questions about how things work, the participants are now able to implement proven methods of solving their problems. They are able to experience great satisfaction from solving these problems on their own. The Bigham Unit is excited to see our future scientists taking such an interest in science at such an early age, keep up the good work!

More Than Just Pool & Video Games At The Gatsemani Unit

Although the Getsemani Teen Program in Georgetown is small in numbers, members are getting the opportunity to take part in several programs and presentations on top of the "staple" activities that all Boys & Girls Clubs provide. Communities in Schools staff are wrapping up a six week program called "Wise Guys" that has addressed topics such as values, communication, self esteem and goal setting. The boys are learning valuable skills through team building and role playing activities. Life Steps staff member Bebe Johnson is also running a similar program called, "Go Girl Go" for the teenage girls that also teaches and reinforces life and social skills. Both CIS and Life Steps provide so-

cial services to local families and students that may go unmet otherwise.

Other presentations that the teens have taken part in or are scheduled to see this summer include the following:

Self defense class from the Bertling ATA Karate Academy in Georgetown

Nutritional cooking program presented by Williamson County Health Department staff

Preventing School Violence presented by Georgetown Police Department

Careers in Law Enforcement presented by Williamson County Sheriffs Department

Personal Finance Skills presented by board member Mr. Bill Stanley

Propagation Fun in the Gar-



den presented by Texas Master Gardener Neil Cochran

Introduction to Yoga presented by Main Street Yoga

Arts & Crafts presented by Camp Coca Cola participants

Club staff member Sarah Wolf is also doing a great job by providing free food on Fridays to members who take part in a weekly club/community service session. Sarah also caps off the week with a theme based "Fun Friday" where members play games, have fun, and eat food. Thanks Sarah!



Chocolate Peanut Butter Milkshake

Ingredients:

1-1/2 cups vanilla ice cream
1 cup cold milk
1/3 cup HERSHEY'S Syrup
2 tablespoons REESE'S Peanut Butter Topping or REESE'S Creamy Peanut Butter
Whipped topping
Cherry(optional)

Directions:

1. Place ice cream, milk, syrup and topping in blender container. Cover; blend until smooth.

2. Garnish with whipped topping and cherry, if desired. Two 10-oz. servings.

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Holy Tomatoes Batman!

Georgetown's produce garden is overflowing with tomatoes as you can see! Club kids Malcolm, Aelissa, Jason and staff member Miss Dena show off our first harvest of ripe fruit. The produce that the club grows is given back to either local residents or club members

