



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS**  
OF THE GULF COAST

# East Biloxi Unit

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## December Calendar of Events:

- Parents Day to Shop and Breakfast with Santa (selected)** Dec. 5  
9am—3pm
- Christmas Dinner and Parent Meeting** Dec. 10th  
5:00pm
- Holiday Camp Schedule** Dec. 21  
7am—6pm
- \*All members must bring a sack lunch...** Dec. 22  
7am—6pm
- Dec. 23  
7am—3pm
- Club Closed** Dec 24-Jan 3
- Club Re-Opens for Full Day Camp** Jan. 4  
7am—6pm

## Season Greetings and Happy New Year!!



Remember to consider the less fortunate this year. This is the season of caring, sharing, and giving. From the Staff, the Members (kids), Americorps, and the Volunteers of the East Biloxi Unit we want to wish you all a safe and joyous holiday season.



## Happy Birthday to All Members and Staff!!!!



|              |       |              |       |                        |       |
|--------------|-------|--------------|-------|------------------------|-------|
| Bennett, A   | 12/29 | McClellan, R | 12/21 | *White, L              | 12/14 |
| Cruz, E      | 12/09 | Miller, M    | 12/03 | Williams, M            | 12/27 |
| Davis Jr., S | 12/26 | Moore II, D  | 12/20 | *Wilson, C             | 12/3  |
| Davis, S     | 12/26 | Peacock, D   | 12/17 |                        |       |
| Ferguson, K  | 12/10 | Reed, J      | 12/21 |                        |       |
| Frazier, Z   | 12/11 | Scott, R     | 12/03 |                        |       |
| Hanson, R    | 12/02 | Smith, A     | 12/22 |                        |       |
| *Jackson, J  | 12/20 | Taylor, A    | 12/06 | <b>* Staff Members</b> |       |
| Little, J    | 12.03 | Thompson, C  | 12/07 |                        |       |
| Marshall, D  | 12/08 | Trussell, E  | 12/25 |                        |       |

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To enable all young people,  
especially those who need us most,  
to reach their full potential as  
productive, caring, responsible  
citizens.

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### November Student of the Month

#### Daniel Catchings

Daniel is 13 year old 7th grader at Biloxi Jr. High School. He's a member of the Boy Scouts, an active youth leader in his church and to his 4 other siblings. Daniel is also a member of the Keystone Club, he plans to attend USM after high school. Daniel was chosen last year to go to Washington D.C. to represent Gorenflo Elem. At the National Youth Leaders of America Conference. His favorite session at the BGC is Passport To Manhood, he also loves the Smart Moves sessions where they discuss the importance of how going or not going to college help shape the decision in your life.

## *Holiday Poem*

It's a wonderful feeling  
Made all the more specials because  
I know this is just the beginning  
Of the understanding and  
Trust we will share, for with the time.  
Sometimes I feel like a flower, opening up beneath  
The golden warmth of your love,  
Responding to the sunshine  
That the very sight of you brings  
I want to know you completely...  
I want to give all of myself to you.  
Holding nothing back  
Except for the mystery that  
Allows us to be separate people~  
Joined by one beautiful love.  
Merry Christmas with all my love.

# BE GREAT

## December Youth of the Month Maniah Burbridge

Maniah is 9 year old, 4th grade, Honor Roll student at Gorenflo Elementary. She is a member of the Torch Club (Sergeant at Arms) here at the BGC and an active member of the St. Paul UMC where she serves on the usher board, and the praise dance team. She plans to attend Harvard University after high school. She wants to be a gospel singer. Maniah loves her instructors here at the club and they make learning for her fun and educational at the same time. She is also a cashier at the Torch Club Candy Palace.

