



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF THE GULF COAST

Forest Heights Unit

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Dates to Remember:

PARENT MEETING	January 13
Salvation Army Bell Ringing	December 12
Christmas Party	December 16
GIRL TALK Retreat	December 19-20
Christmas Break Camp	December 21-23
Teen Dance	December 30
Club Closing	Dec 24- Jan 1, 2010
Club Opens	Jan 4, 2010



CONGRATULATIONS!!!



Every month, we recognize our youth for their outstanding performance in school and at the club! The award titles are Youth of the Month, Jr. Youth of the Month, Rising Star, Sportsmanship, Volunteer and PARENT VOLUNTEER awards!!!

- Youth of the Month** - Mikey Porter
- Jr. Youth of the Month** - Acacia Flowers
- Rising Star** - Jailyn Lane
- Volunteer** - Deanthony Goff
- Sportsmanship** - Nia Fields
- Parent Volunteer** - Derrick Childers

AND THE AWARD GOES TO...



"My Dream Christmas Party" by Jazmine White

If I could plan the Christmas party for my Boys and Girls Club, I would make sure we have lots of food, drinks, and desserts! I think all the kids would like to receive toys and have Christmas music playing so that everyone could have a good time. I would even invite our parents because it means a lot when our parents support our events at the Boys and Girls Club. After we are done eating and dancing, we would play games and get the staff members and

parents to play with us. I think that would be a lot of fun. It makes us happy when the staff members help us and play with us. I would make sure this event was a success by allowing my friends to help me plan it. I think the staff members would appreciate a break from planning things for us. I can not wait to see what they have planned for this year! Maybe I will give them a few ideas...

December Birthdays:

- Deanthony Goff - 3rd
- Jazzmin Sellers - 6th
- Dae'Quan McInnis - 8th
- Isaiah Hughes - 10th
- Cheyenne Moore - 13th
- Anasia Childers - 15th
- Rob'Shaun Jones - 18th
- Destiny Taylor - 23rd



December Holiday Camp



Parents, please do not forget that the club will be open from **December 21-23**. The hours of operation are from 7:00am until 6:00pm daily. If you are planning to bring your

child(ren), they **MUST** be present by 9:00am. You are responsible for supplying their breakfast, lunch, and two snacks. Thank you in advance and we look forward to seeing you!

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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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My experience at the BGCGC has been phenomenal! I have learned so many new things about the youth and about myself. It means so much to have enhanced my mind, learning new things about youth especially because I am striving to be a teacher. What I have enjoyed the most was the Girl Talk II: "I Love Me" workshop. It meant a lot to be able to teach the girls new ways to take care of themselves. Sitting down, eating, and bonding with the girls was wonderful. We, as a staff, got to know the girls a lot better not only as kids, but also as young ladies. The girls were able to open up and tell us many things about them and that was a very special moment to me.

Ms. Tiffany Feagin
AmeriCorps Volunteer

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It's that time of year
again...membership renewal!

CURRENT MEMBERS:

We are accepting applications for current members to enroll for the 2010-2011 academic year. The fee for each child will be \$25. We will only be accepting these applications for current members during the month of December. You will have until the end of January to pay the fee for your child(ren).

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS:



Our gift to you is the opportunity to sign your child up for the 2010-2011 academic year if they are not currently members, you may do so beginning in January 2010. The application fee is \$25 and you may pay when you register.



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