



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

# Forest Heights Unit

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## Dates to Remember:

Parent meeting	<b>December 2</b>
Fine Arts with Renee Wieting	November 12
GIRL TALK II	November 14
Barnes and Nobles Fundraiser	November 15-22
CiCi's Pizza Fundraiser	November 17
Thanksgiving Dinner	November 19
IMMS Field Trip	November 24
Lynn Meadows Field Trip	November 25



CONGRATULATIONS!!!



AND THE AWARD GOES TO...

This month, we are recognizing 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, Academic Excellence, Jr. Academic Excellence, Rising Star, Sportsmanship, Volunteer and PARENT VOLUNTEER awards!!!

- Youth of the Month-** Ebony Thomas
- Jr. Youth of the Month-** DeMarco Payton
- Academic Excellence-** Aaliyah Morgan and Dasia Mikell
- Jr. Academic Excellence-** Kyrese Bryant and Jerkia McInnis
- Rising Star-** Rob'Shaun Jones
- Volunteer-** Armond Crawford
- Sportsmanship-** Jada White

## THANKSGIVING DINNER



There are so many reasons we should be thankful and some of our youth will tell us why they are thankful at our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner. The meal will be provided by the Wesley Foundation of MGCCC Jefferson Davis Campus and the University of Southern MS. Our unit board has worked very dili-

gently to obtain donations for this special event and we are very THANKFUL for all of their hard work. Our youth will be providing entertainment and receiving awards on this night! This is definitely an event you don't want to miss!

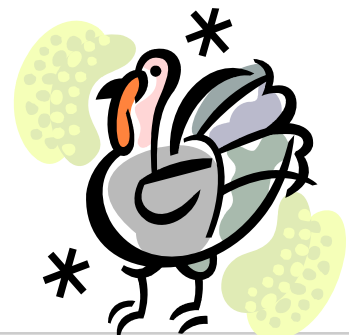
November Birthdays:

- Ankilah Ray - 5th
- Brianna Towner - 7th
- Shawn Taylor - 12th
- Ms. Tashara Bender -29th
- Mrs. Kewanna Riley - 30th

## Happy Thanksgiving!!!

Parents, please do not forget that the club will be open from November 23-25. If you are bringing your child, they MUST be present by 9:00am. You are responsible for supplying their breakfast, lunch, and

two snacks. We have also planned two field trips for our younger youth during this break. They will be fun, but very educational. We look forward to seeing you all! Have a great holiday!!!



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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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Lets take a moment to recognize our staff and members here at the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast Forrest Heights Unit. The staff's motivated work ethics exemplifies teamwork. The concept of team work was evident in the success the staff achieved at Trunk or Treat. The Haunted Room was a staff collaboration that was a big hit with kids and adults alike. The members provided the decorations for the haunted room led by the staff. The upbeat and positive attitude of the staff is reflected through our members. We all had a great time at Veterans Day parade.

Our club's new direction of Service and Fun will be reflected in community service projects and fun filled activities we have planned for our members. We want to instill the concept of rewards are earned not given into our members and that hard work pays off.

Last but not least, We want express great thanks to all our parents who came out to support us for Trunk or Treat and other events. Please continue to support by participating at the parenting and future events.

Respectfully,

Lynn Dedeaux

Unit Manager Forrest Heights

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## Halloween "Trunk or Treat" By Daytriona Clemons (Torch Club President)

I had a great time at the Trunk or Treat last month. First, we had a going away party for our MSA, Mrs. Tina along with our monthly birthday party which was very lively. After that, we went to this very frightening and "CREEPY" room where we had a very scary, but also fun time with the staff and volunteers. After that, we had a wonderful time with Trunk or Treat. We went to each trunk of staff members, volunteers, and parents who supplied us with candy and refreshments. Not only did we enjoy nice treats, but we also had a wonderful D.J. (D.J. Smooth) who played music that everyone danced to and enjoyed.

I would like to thank parents and others who helped us with this great event; so please do not think we forgot about you. The Torch Club, other

members, and staff would like to thank any one who donated candy and time to make this a very fun and exciting occasion. We thank you so much for all of your support!!!



### Parent Reminders:

- Girl Talk II  
**November 14**
- CiCi's Pizza Spirit Night  
**November 17**
- Thanksgiving Dinner  
**November 19**
- Institute for Marine and Mammal Studies Field Trip  
**November 24**
- Lynn Meadows Discovery Center Field Trip  
**November 25**

# BE GREAT