



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF THE TWIN CITIES

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NEWS & NOTES

THIS WEEK ONLY: You Can Help The Clubs Win \$50,000!

Thank you to everyone who nominated the Boys & Girls Clubs for 50 Acts of Cub Kindness this summer! Thanks to you, we were selected as one of 50 Minnesota organizations to receive a \$5,000 check and move on to the next phase of the contest--a **chance to win a \$50,000 GRANT!**

Starting TODAY, [visit Cub's website](#) and vote for the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Twin Cities! The voting site will be open for one week and will end at midnight on Sunday, October 7. The organization with the most votes at the end of the week wins the \$50,000. Each person can vote one time per day for each organization.



Remodeled K-3 Program Area Unveiled at Jerry Gamble Club

On September 6, we unveiled the newly remodeled K-3 Program Area at the Jerry Gamble Club, sponsored by the Minneapolis City of Lakes Rotary Club. What was once a dull, uninviting space is now bright, welcoming, and full of books and literacy-focused activities! We celebrated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony, plenty of food, and a reading by first grader Braylen.



Dove SMART Girls Event Educates & Empowers

Boys & Girls Clubs of America partnered with Dove to host a girls' self-esteem workshop at our Al Lenzmeier West Side Club! Girls from all eight of our Twin Cities Clubs came together on September 16 for a night full of activities focused on education and empowerment: discussion circles, dance lessons, and Treat Yourself stations like create-your-own face masks and lip balm, nail painting, and a photo booth.



Eat Wings & Show Your Support for the Boys & Girls Clubs!

In the spirit of teamwork and recognizing the importance of kids being active, Boys & Girls Club of America partnered with Buffalo Wild Wings in 2013 to form ALL STARS sports leagues, which are designed to expose kids to the benefits of participating in team sports and belonging to a team. As a result of this partnership, Club youth participating in sports drastically increased from

12,000 in 2013 to more than 170,000 in 2017. To date, ALL STARS sports leagues have connected more than 350,000 youth nationwide to athletic programming that in turn has prepared them for success. **Visit your local B-Dubs October 1–31 to give more youth access to team sports.** By adding just \$1, \$3, or \$5 to your check, you'll help us get more equipment, more coaching, and more sports teams for our ALL STAR kids.



PROGRAMMING UPDATE

The first month of fall programming has been spent getting to know our Club Kids, identifying their strengths, and building relationships. All K-6 graders are being tested in reading, while all 4-6 graders are being tested in math. This is the first year that reading assessments have been extended to include 4-6 graders. The results of these assessments will allow us to provide each and every Club Kid with the individualized programming they need to succeed this school year!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Minnesota Lieutenant Governor Candidates Youth Forum

WHAT: Lieutenant Governor Candidates Youth Forum

WHEN: Wednesday, October 3, 5-7 p.m.

WHERE: East Side Club (1620 Ames Ave. E., St. Paul)

Join us as the Minnesota Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, with support from BGCTC, host 2018 Lt. Governor candidates Donna Bergstrom and Rep. Peggy Flanagan for a forum on youth issues. The forum will include a Q&A led by Club teens and will be moderated by KARE 11 News Anchor Camille Williams!



Champagne Thursday: Cameron Silver x Stephanie Lake

WHAT: Champagne Thursday Party with Cameron Silver and Stephanie Lake

WHEN: Thursday, October 4, 7-10 p.m.

WHERE: Living Room, 821 South Marquette Ave., Minneapolis

Celebrate the fall fashion season with a high-style evening of shopping with Cameron Silver, fashion director of H Halston and H by Halston and owner of the iconic Los Angeles shop Decades, as well as noted scholar and jewelry designer Stephanie Lake, owner of the eponymous jewelry firm, at the historic W Minneapolis – The Foshay, on October 4 from 7 to 10 p.m., presented by Artful Living Magazine. As the premier fall event for the W's weekly Champagne Thursdays series and marking the debut of Artful Living's autumn issue, the evening will feature luxe Champagne tastings paired with bubbly-friendly fare in the W's Living Room, transformed for one night only into a lavish pop-up shop **benefiting the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Twin Cities.**



[Reserve your spot!](#)

For the Kids!

WHAT: 57th Annual For the Kids! Benefit
WHEN: Friday, October 12, 6 p.m.
WHERE: U.S. Bank Stadium

The 57th annual For the Kids! Benefit will include red carpet photography, fun games, silent and live auctions, and live music. As guests enjoy dinner, they will hear from Club youth, see incredible performances, and learn how the Clubs are changing young lives on a daily basis.

[Get your tickets today!](#)



New Friends Luncheon

WHAT: New Friends Luncheon
WHEN: Thursday, October 18, 12-1 p.m.
WHERE: Jerry Gamble Club (2410 Irving Ave. N., Minneapolis)

This month's New Friends Luncheon will be held at our Jerry Gamble Club! Join us for a complimentary lunch, meet Club youth, hear first-hand stories of impact, and learn about our mission. To RSVP, email Molly Hemes at mhemes@bgc-tc.org.



You Can Change a Child's Life

With your support, we can continue to provide life-changing academic, leadership, and healthy lifestyles programming to youth across the Twin Cities.

[Donate Today!](#)

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