



Boys & Girls Club Of Bloomington-Normal Parent News...



October 2005

Club Updates & Reminders...

Lights On Afterschool

On **October 20, 2005**, hundreds of thousands of children across America will join parents, educators, community and business leaders to rally in support of the afterschool programs that keep kids safe, inspire them to learn and help working families. The Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington-Normal will also host our annual *Lights On Afterschool* rally on Thursday, October 20th. We would like to invite all parents and guardians of our members to come out and celebrate with us on that day. We will be having games and activities for our members and also there will be several organizations that we partner with that will be joining us on that day. It will be held in the parking lot at the Club. If it rains on that day it will be moved into the Club. Please come out for some fun on October 20th. That day is also Ms. Evelyn's birthday, so please don't miss out on the fun!

Club Cards

We have had a lot of members come to the Club without their cards recently. Members are required to bring their card with them each day. A member will not be allowed to get on the vans at the schools without their card. Parents will be called and will be responsible for picking up their child at school. To purchase a new card for your child is \$3.00. Members can not check out games, play on the computers, go to the park or go on field trips without their card. It is very important that parents also help stress the importance of having their card at the Club each day.

Boys & Girls Club Bracelets

We have Boys & Girls Club bracelets available for purchase. They are blue with white lettering. If you want one just bring \$2.00 and see Ms. Carla, Ms. Laura or Ms. Evelyn!! Help support your Boys & Girls Club!

Website

Our website is being updated all the time, so make sure that you check it out! You can download a copy of a volunteer application and you can also download a copy of our membership application. There is also a copy of the schedule for the school year is on the website.

**VISIT US ONLINE
AT
www.bgcb-n.org**

Club schedule for the Upcoming Weeks

- Oct. 7 - Club open
7:30 - 5:30
- Oct. 10 - Club open
7:30 - 5:30
- Oct. 13 - Be Good
Bucks field trip to the
IWU Shirk Center
- Oct. 20 - Lights On
Afterschool rally - 4:30
- 6:30 p.m.
- Oct. 20 - M s. Evelyn's
Birthday
- Oct. 27 - Fall Festival
at ISU (Be Good
Bucks trip)
- Oct 31 - Harvest
Festival at the Club
(open to all members)

- Club Wish List ...
- Video Camera
- Pool sticks
- Pool racks
- Karaoke CD's
- Vacuum Cleaner
- Sewing Machines

Inside Story Headline

This story can fit 150-200 words.

One benefit of using your newsletter as a promotional tool is that you can reuse content from other marketing materials, such as press releases, market studies, and reports.

While your main goal of distributing a newsletter might be to sell your product or service, the key to a successful newsletter is making it useful to your readers.

A great way to add useful content to your newsletter is to develop and write your own articles, or include a calendar of upcoming events or a special offer that promotes a new prod-

uct.

You can also research articles or find "filler" articles by accessing the World Wide Web. You can write about a variety of topics but try to keep your articles short.

Much of the content you put in your newsletter can also be used for your Web site. Microsoft Publisher offers a simple way to convert your newsletter to a Web publication. So,



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when you're finished writing your newsletter, convert it to a Web site and post it.

Inside Story Headline

This story can fit 100-150 words.

The subject matter that appears in newsletters is virtually endless. You can include stories that focus on current technologies or innovations in your field.

You may also want to note business or economic trends, or make predictions for your customers or clients.

If the newsletter is distributed internally, you might comment upon new procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated every issue, for instance, an advice column, a book review, a letter from the president, or

an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

"To catch the reader's attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here."

Inside Story Headline

This story can fit 75-125 words.

Selecting pictures or graphics is an important part of adding content to your newsletter.

Think about your article and ask yourself if the picture supports or enhances the message



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you're trying to convey. Avoid selecting images that appear to be out of context.

Microsoft Publisher includes thousands of clip art images from which you can choose and import into your newsletter. There are

also several tools you can use to draw shapes and symbols.

Once you have chosen an image, place it close to the article. Be sure to place the caption of the image near the image.

Youth Prepare for Diversity Trip to Chicago

The youth have been chosen for this years Diversity Trip to Chicago. Each youth that was in 6th, 7th or 8th grade this year was eligible for this trip. They were to answer two questions referring to the history and people of Chicago and then each had an interview with Ms. Evelyn. The five youth that were chosen to attend are **Monique McDavis, Aaron Gary, Anita Davis, Ike Phifer and Allyssa Grayson**. These youth will be leaving Bloomington on May 29th and will be returning on June 3rd. These youth are not responsible for paying their own way, so there will be fundraisers that the youth will participate in to prepare for this trip.

Diversity Trip Fundraisers

Sunday, May 1st

**Car Wash at The Temple on
Robinhood Lane in Bloomington
1:00 - 3:30 p.m.**

Friday, May 20th

**Diversity Dance at
The Boys & Girls Club.
For Junior High Students w/ ID
8:00 - 11:00 p.m. - \$2 a person
Bring a cultural artifact or item
and get \$1 off!**

Bikes Donated by the “Bike Man”

A few days prior to National Boys & Girls Club week we received a donation of 25 bikes that were to be given out to our members. These were bikes that had been abandoned and then found and repaired. These bikes were fixed by Jerry Griffin, who we now know as the “Bike Man!” Mr. Griffin is a long time member of AMVETS.

Each day during National Boys & Girls Club week members who brought their card to the Club were entered in a drawing for prizes. Two names were drawn every 30 minutes and those youth would then draw their prize. Prizes ranged from Be Good Bucks, to games to a bike. The following children received bikes during National Boys & Girls Club Week.

**Congratulations to
Junior Staff
Tiara Randle
for winning the
Golden Apple Scholarship
Award!!!
Way to go Tiara!!!**

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Your business tag line here.



Organization

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.

Back Page Story Headline

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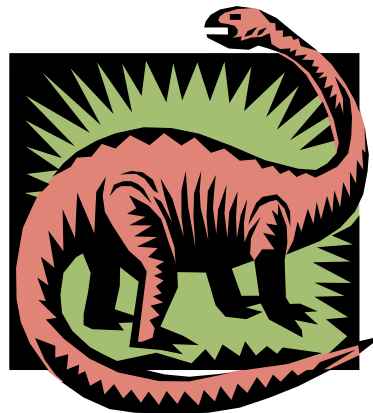
A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all

employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a bi-annual charity auction.



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