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THE CLUB MEMO JUNE 2018

PAT R. VAN BURKLEO, PRESIDENT

**MONTHLY MEMORANDUM FOR PEOPLE WHO CARE
ABOUT YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITY**

Youth Volunteer Corps Comes to the Club

Capital Area United Way has hosted the Baton Rouge branch of Youth Volunteer Corps for the past 10 years. After deciding not to continue hosting the program, Boys & Girls Club was selected by both CAUW and the YVC Headquarters to become the new host agency.

YVC creates volunteer opportunities to address community needs, inspiring youth to a lifetime commitment to service and instilling a service ethic. This program helps youth become aware of community issues and shows them how they can make a difference.

Members, ages 11-18, engage in safe, challenging, rewarding, and educational service projects year round. Projects range from lasting two hours to spanning across multiple days.



Summer Literacy Program Starts June 11th

Every summer for six weeks, the Club runs a Summer Enrichment Program for more than 500 students, helping mitigate learning loss that occurs over the summer. One of the highlights of our program is Summer Read, the literary-focused portion of our Summer Brain Gain program. During Summer Read, volunteers read to Boys & Girls Club members for a half hour every morning at one of our five summer sites. This not only prevents summer reading loss, but Club members have shown reading improvement.

Signature Event Coming Up in October

Boys & Girls Club's largest special event of the year, Steak & Stake, will be held on October 25 at the Renaissance Baton Rouge Hotel on Bluebonnet. This evening is used to recognize and celebrate the Club's corporate donors. The money raised through this event helps support our academic, health, and character-focused programs for school-age youth.



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LongHorn Steakhouse Opens in Baton Rouge



LongHorn Steakhouse has opened a location in Baton Rouge by the Mall of Louisiana. The restaurant invited the Club staff to the lasso-cutting and grand opening, where our Youth Legislature Program Director, Paula Braud, was asked to make the first steak cut. LongHorn Steakhouse donated part of the week's proceeds to the Club, totaling to \$2,500. We would like to thank LongHorn Steakhouse for the generous donation! We look forward to the partnership opportunity with the restaurant.



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