Kidscape Productions teaches acting skills
By TaTiana Anderson Hall, Art Coordinator

Kidscape Productions is a professional acting program designed to teach children 10-12 years old self-confidence, self-esteem, and life skills through improvisation and effective communication. This program teaches students to develop skills to contribute to and enrich social relationships while creating positive and confident individuals. These classes help provide a foundation of success for our students at the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows...

Improv Nation classes are offered free of charge to Club members at the Donald W. Reynolds Center at the E. L. Wiegand Youth Center. A parental permission slip is required for each Club member prior to attending these classes. For more information or to register for this program please contact TaTiana Anderson Hall, Art Coordinator at (775) 360-2411 or tandaughter@bgctm.org or contact the site coordinators at DWR and Lemmon Valley.

Donald W. Reynolds Facility
2641 South Reno, Reno • (775) 353-9547
Jo Ann Elementary School Site
1531 McMillan Road, Sun Valley • (775) 364-7113
Rollan Melton Elementary School Site
6175 Farm District Road, Fernley • (775) 360-7544
Well Elementary School
204 Bridle Ridge Street, Sun Valley • (775) 828-5782
Libby South Elementary School
1420 Thyme Street, South Lake Tahoe • (775) 360-7219
Nancy Gumes Elementary School
10707 Shelby Drive, Reno • (775) 360-7820
Red Road Youth Site
7067 Red Road, Reno • (775) 360-2846
Deaver Spring, Elementary School Site
8150 Skylark Circle, Reno • (775) 360-3772
Nevada Youth Site
3115 Alexader Drive, Reno • (775) 360-6355
Reno South Elementary School
4490 Leon Drive, Sun Valley • (775) 360-3377
Catherine Elementary School
625 Farm District Road, Fernley • (775) 360-2475
New Haven Elementary School Site
50009 Alliance Road, Reno • (775) 360-2840
East Valley Elementary School
4188 Farm District Road, Fernley • (775) 360-2845
Terry Elementary School
320 Highway 380, Sun Valley • (775) 360-2840
The Early Learning Program at the E.L. Wiegand Youth Center
1270 Fawr Road, Winnemucca • (775) 353-3890
The Club at the Donald W. Reynolds Facility
2641 South Reno, Reno • (775) 353-9300
The Club at Rollin Melton Elementary
10707 Shelby Drive, Reno • (775) 360-7219
The Club at the Lory E. Johnson Community Center
128 and Dilater Drive, Sparks • (775) 360-2490
The Club at the High School
South 3rd Street, Carson City • (775) 364-2900
The Club at the Alpine School
320 Panthers Drive, Reno • (775) 362-0244

Address Service Requested

Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows
Donald W. Reynolds Facility
2660 North Street • Reno, NV 89512

Wish List:
• Musical Instruments of any kind, any kind of paper, paint, markers, crayons, pens, pencils, rulers, new school supplies, boxed games, child friendly OODs, small toiletries, and small item prizes.

Kidscape Productions - Thanks to the Following Companies...

To all the companies, individuals and families that supported the Club’s Holiday Help Program this year.


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Cioppino Feed & Auction

Children’s Miracle Network Massage and Shamrock Communications for production of Brick-by-Brick Campaign PSAs. Nevada Youth Ski Education Foundation for their contribution to the art program. Payless Shoe Source (Payless Gives Shoes 4 Kids) for shoe vouchers for Club members.

By Jackie Cavilia Allen, Bishop Manogue Catholic High School

Wish List:

Financial aid and scholarships are available. Visit bishopmanogue.org/FinancialAid.

Financial Aid:

1. The Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows served more than 200,000 meals in 2013.
2. The Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows served dinner to 3,400 children.
3. It costs $20 per year to become a Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows member.
4. The Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows is leading a new William H. Thomson Boys & Girls Club building fund and Capital Campaign.

Did You Know?

By TaTiana Anderson Hall, Art Coordinator

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The Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows was founded in 2003. Every Thursday from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. until April 3.

The former site is hosting a new William H. Thomson Boys & Girls Club building fund and Capital Campaign.

Finding a future . . .

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, a famous quote from Benjamin Franklin. I’ll ring-off the quote to get an interpretation and with answers on how to use it. The meaning, in brief, is that if you prevent a problem from occurring in the first place, it will save a great deal more in time, effort and cost than it would in trying to repair the damage done later because we hadn’t paid attention to it at the time. The concept seems simple enough. Unfortunately, we use the principle in the operation of the Boys & Girls Club every day, like when we follow a preventative maintenance plan for a piece of expensive equipment. If we can regularly service the equipment, it costs a little extra up front, but the equipment runs more efficiently last longer and in turn saves us money. We are using the same principle in the construction of the new William N. Pennington Facility on Foster Drive. For example, we know kids are hard on doors. Instead of putting in standard hinges and hardware and replacing them every year, we invest in a continuous hinge that, while it costs more up front, has proven to hold up in the long run and doesn’t need to be replaced. Again, not overly complicated. In fact, it makes a lot of sense.

That being said, what has happened in our community since the crash of our economy in 2007-2008 is a bit uneconomic, especially as it has led to many services to kids in northern Nevada being lost or severely limited. Our educational system has been forced to tighten their belts, which has resulted in easy cuts. Extracurricular activities and course offerings. Parks and recreation leaders have been faced with a series of budget cuts that have forced them to make decisions that have led to the loss or reduction in youth programs. Most devastating has been the loss of youth serving organizations. An organization that in many cases have served our community for 50 years served thousands of families throughout the region. All of these challenges have had negative effects on our community, and in particular, our youth. Their absence threatens to derail the development of some youth into well-educated, productive citizens of our community. Development that if lost could prove extremely costly to our society and future generations.

While no one agency can fully fill the void created by these losses, the collaboration between the City of Reno, the William N. Pennington Foundation, many other local foundations and the Boys & Girls Club will make strides to bring out-of-school opportunities back to the children on Foster Drive. At the Pennington Foundation, youth will be able to find homework help and academic support, sports leagues, leadership clubs, nutritious meals, mentoring and much more. While we know it will take time and effort from many in the community to fully recover, the Boys & Girls Club is prepared to stand alongside our friends, neighbors and leaders to draw a line in the sand for the loss of services for our youth.

As you read through the Club Chronicle today, please know your donations allow us to offer a myriad of programs and activities that help develop our youth into confident, responsible individuals who can make educated, healthy decisions. An ounce of prevention……. An investment in our future for the kids.

Mike Wurm
Chief Professional Officer

34th Annual Cioppino T. Reviglio Cippino Feed & Auction, Feb. 22

Are you ready for Cioppino? The 34th Annual Jack T. Reviglio Cippino Feed & Auction is Saturday, February 22, 2014. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. for the silent auction followed by dinner and live auction at 6:30 p.m. The Cippino Feed remains the Club’s largest fundraising event, raising almost 15% of the Club’s annual budget and impacting the lives of thousands of local children. The star of the evening is the cippino, which is still made from scratch by Bud Sorensen, Bob Capuro and a talented team of Italian cooks. But the real fun comes with the live auction, where you can buy items and experiences you can’t find anywhere else. Join us to celebrate 34 years of cippino with family, friends, colleagues and neighbors.

For more information or to donate an auction item please visit www.BGCTM.ORG

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Wishing you a prosperous year

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Be part of the new Pennington Facility

By David Taylor, Marketing Director
In spring 2014, the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows began the process of building a new facility on South Virginia Street in Reno. The 55,000-square-foot facility serves the needs of the immediate South Reno neighborhood and nearby schools. The facility expects to serve up to 3,500 youth annually through a variety of programs and services. Through the Club’s brick-by-brick fundraising campaign, everyone can be part of the new Pennington Facility and serve as a lasting reminder to everyone of everyone can be part of the new Pennington Facility. For as little as $150, individuals and companies can buy a brick for the new facility that includes a custom engraving. Honor a family member or recognize a company name, each brick is unique to its owner. These bricks line the entrance to the new facility and serve as a lasting reminder to everyone of who supports the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows.

Proceeds from the brick-by-brick Campaign directly support the resort United States, a $500 club membership at the new facility on South Virginia Street in Reno for $150 per brick (bricks up the sign outside). This event is for the benefit of Nevada fraternities, sororities and diversity clubs in attendance. The 2.5-mile march began at the new Pennington Facility and proceeded to the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation Field at the new site. The march will include creative signage with positive messages during the march and a grand finish with a firework display. Club members will have the opportunity to volunteer their time to feed the homeless at St. Vincent’s Center for three hours and volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program.

Katie Harrison named 2014 Youth of the Year

By Lauren Soulam, Grants Director
Katie Harrison, a student at the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows’ Rollan Melton site in southwest Reno, has been named the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows’ 2014 Youth of the Year. Katie Harrison has been a Club member for five years and has faced many challenges in her life, she says “the Boys & Girls Club has been a stepping stone in the way. They are my family, and they have helped shape me into the strong woman I am today. The Boys & Girls Club has provided me with a safe environment at the High School, and this fall, she will be one of the first in her family to attend college.

Katie’s Club family is incredibly proud to have her represent the Boys & Girls Clubs of Truckee Meadows at the Youth of the Year State Competition in Las Vegas, March 11-12. There, she will compete against Youth of the Year from other Boys & Girls Clubs, and, if she wins, move on to the Regional (Pacific) and then the National competition in Southern California this summer.

Club organizes MLK march and celebration

On Martin Luther King, Jr. Day the Club hosted its 3rd annual Silent March in commemoration of Dr. King. The Club had more than 100 club members and representatives from the community at the event. The event featured songs and motivational messages about the power of unity and social justice that Dr. King so passionately believed in.

Sun Valley celebrates a special holiday

The Sun Valley Elementary School community ended the year with a bang on December 17th as they celebrated President’s Day at the Sun Valley Elementary School. The event featured music, art, and a special holiday show performed by the club members.

Teens at LDJ “Give Back Like Jack”

By Akeya Champion, Larry Johnson Teen Site Teen Coordinator
A drive has been in the hearts of members at the Club at Larry Johnson Community Center in order to teach the importance of community service, members of the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program and are volunteering their time to the Club’s Give Back Program.

Rollan Melton Torch Club in active community

By Vickie Miller, Rollan Melton Site Coordinator
The Rollan Melton Torch Club got involved in their community during the holiday season. In November, the Torch Club organized a three-month long canned food drive that raised more than 500 cans of food. The Torch Club members donated the food to the Evelyn Mountain Community Outreach Program two days before Thanksgiving because they wanted to help families have a nice holiday.

In the month of December, Torch Club was back at it again and organized a toy drive. The Club collected both new and used toys for Toys for Tots. The club members donated toys and also collected money for the Annual Warm-A-Child Program located in the E. L. Wiegand Youth Center. These activities made our Club members reflect on the true meaning of Christmas and they learned the importance of giving back to the community.

Volunteers needed for Boys & Girls Nite Out

By Anne Studebaker, Volunteer Coordinator
If you, or anyone you know would like to be a part of this fun evening, please contact Anne Studebaker, Volunteer Coordinator at (775) 360-2449 or astudebaker@bgctm.org about volunteering opportunities for one of these great events.

Boys & Girls Nite Out, Wednesday, March 26, is an opportunity for volunteers to come out and spend some quality time with Club members. Volunteers and members are matched and join on in on the fun. The evening is filled with carnival games,öh, and awesome circus acts from Circus Circus Reno.

This is a great opportunity for corporate and community groups looking for a fun way to give back to the community. Volunteering can be an enjoyable way to engage coworkers and employees in team building as well as bonding outside of the workplace. If you, or anyone you know like to help out with these events, please contact Anne Studebaker, Volunteer Coordinator at (775) 360-2449 or astudebaker@bgctm.org.