



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**  
OF THE NORTHERN NECK

July 2010

## Summer Program Enrollment Doubles

### Happenings

*Summer Program continues through August 20, 7:30 am to 6 pm. Open to ages 6 to 18 and the new Teen Center is open daily too!*

**July 16:** Skate Board Park open from 7:30 - 10:00 pm.

**July 24:** Youth Fun Day at the YMCA, 8 pm - midnight, ages 13 to 17. Joint YMCA/BGCNN activity.

**August 6 & 20:** Skate Board Park open from 7:30 - 10:00 pm.

**August 16:** BGCNN/ YMCA Summer Program BlowOut, 10 am - 4 pm at Camp Kekoka in Kilmarnock.

**August 20:** Summer Program ends.  
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They're swimming, learning to cook, playing tennis, visiting the Virginia Living Museum and Christopher Newport University, touring the Richmond Fine Arts Museum as well as taking manners and etiquette classes and picnicking at Belle Isle State Park.

More than 200 youth and teens have turned out this year to participate in the activity-packed summer program at the Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck, twice the number enrolled last year.

"I enjoyed the trip to Westmoreland State Park," said Essence Noel, 12, a 7th grader at Lancaster Middle School and a resident of Lancaster. "We had a blast. The water park was awesome and it was one of my favorite field trips. I really enjoy the dance program with Ms. Shanita also!"



*Ilyana Noel, 9, of Lancaster, plays on Slip and Slide at the Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck.*

"In the water program, we learned about different water wells and the importance of clean water," said Laura Westbery, 9, a Burgess resident who is a 4th grader at Northumberland Elementary School. "Some people around the world don't have clean water and it causes diseases."

The number of teens participating this year has grown substantially,  
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**August 21:** Tangier Island Cruise sponsored by the BGCNN Parent Auxiliary.

**September 3 & 17:** Skate Board Park open from 7:30 - 10 pm.

**September 7:** First day of BGCNN After School Program.

**September 18:** Miss America visits.

**September 25:** Youth Fun Day at the YMCA, 6:30 - 11 pm, ages 9 to 12. Joint YMCA/BGCNN activity.

*Save the date!*  
*Friday, December 31, 2010*  
*New Year's Eve Gala*  
*for Adults*  
*at the BGCNN*

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largely because of the opening of the new Teen Center, which gives them a place to hold their own activities away from the younger children. Average daily attendance in the teen program is 20 teens.

"I really like the teen center because it gives me a place to hang out and chill with my friends," said 13-year-old Alexander Anderson of Kilmarnock, a 9th grader at Lancaster High School.

Children and teens have come from all four counties in the Northern Neck as well as from several states—usually those who were visiting grandparents or aunts and uncles in the area.

"The interest has just been phenomenal this year," said Tyren Frazier, executive director of the Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck. "We knew our numbers would grow, but we did not know they would double."

The YMCA and the Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck have scheduled at least three joint events for the children and teens including a Saturday fun night and an ice cream social.

Aside from all the field trips and athletic activities, there are tutoring classes, visits to the library, and Keystone Club meetings, which teach leadership and character building.

*July 2010*  
*Youth of*  
*the Month*

*Kenosha Stewart*



Kenosha Stewart, 14, a 9th grader at Lancaster High School, has been named Youth of the Month by the Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck. Kenosha has been a Club member for one year and is active in the Keystone Club, tutoring, the drama program, and Manners Class. In the community, Kenosha volunteers at Rappahannock General Hospital and participates in church activities. At school she is in the Junior Beta Club and a cheerleader. Kenosha was selected for Youth of the Month because she is always willing to help and sets an example for her peers. When asked what this honor means to her, she said, "It means a lot. I'm able to accomplish my goal of always doing my best." A native of White Stone, Kenosha is the daughter of Natacha Cox and Corey Smith.