



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE UPSTATE

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April 2010

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Upstate Club members took top awards at Boys & Girls Clubs of America's Southeast Regional Fine Arts Exhibit! **Congratulations to Clayasha Thomas of Chapman Elementary for winning both 1st place in watercolor and Best in Show and to Kara Wilson of Lone Oak Elementary for winning 1st place in pastel.** Their artwork will go on to compete in Boys & Girls Clubs' National Exhibit. We are very proud of these young artists. Pictured above from left: Park Hills Club members enjoy painting and winning pieces by Clayasha and Kara.

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April 29 - May 2, 2010

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Pictured above, mothers and daughters of our Arcadia Elementary Club enjoy a night out to dinner and the ballet and Darryl Gray displays his skills during the Chapman Elementary Club talent show.

ATP Tour Pro Players

Thursday, April 29, 5-9
Caribbean Cruise Night
Honoring Mallory Cecil
Featured Matches & Dinner by Billy D's

Saturday, May 1, 5-7
Kid's Night and Doubles Finals
Honoring Local Junior Stars

Friday, April 30, 7-11
Club Havana Party
at Country Club of Spartanburg

Sunday, May 2, 10-2
Bermudian Brunch by Converse Deli & Championship Match

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BE A LEADER. BE A WINNER.

Please join us in celebrating the Upstate's future leaders at our Upstate Youth of the Year Competition and Celebration this Friday, April 9th at our Fairforest Elementary Club beginning at 5:30 p.m. Our Youth of the Year Program promotes and celebrates service to Club; community and family; academic performance; moral character; life goals; poise and public speaking ability. The celebration will feature our district level winners and some great talent acts and will be followed by a reception. Fairforest Elementary is located at 1005 Mt. Zion Rd. Spartanburg.

Thanks so much to the following community members for volunteering their time to judge our Club level, district and upstate competitions: Councilwoman Linda Dogan Councilman Oneil Mintz, Director of Public Safety Tony Fisher, Allison Caulk, Sarah Prosser, Carroll Hutcheson, Curt McPhail, Molly Metz, Charlene Cheeks, Nannie Jefferies, Renee Smith, Eunice Sauls, P.K. Weiss, Rob Sanborn, Dudley Brown, Rebecca Ramos, Lee Arsenault, Charlene Cheeks, Jim Edwards, Phillip Belcher and our friends at Dixon Hughes - Mike Trammell, Robin Leroy, Reva Williams, Teresa Raines, and Kathryn Kohara.

We are so proud of all of our 2010 Youth of the Year Contestants! All of our local Club winners are pictured below.



Reasey Bou, our Upstate High School Youth of the year, is a Senior at Spartanburg High School and a founding member of our Keystone Leadership and Service Club. Reasey will compete in the SC State Youth of the Year Competition in Columbia later this month.



Moneece Martin is a 9th grader at Carver Jr. High and has been a Club member for 8 years. She is a member of JROTC and Chorus. Her favorite Boys & Girls Club activities include the drama program and volunteering at the Soup Kitchen.



Kierra Walker is our District 7 Youth of the Year. She is a 5th grader at Mary H. Wright and has been a Club member for 4 years. At her Boys & Girls Club she enjoys participating in drama and photography programs and volunteering at local nursing homes.



Dequan Twitty is a 5th grader at Chesnee Elementary School where he is a member of the newspaper staff and running club. He has been a member of Boys & Club for 4 years. His favorite Club programs include claymation, drama and community service projects.



J'nia Cohen is our District 6 Youth of the Year. She is a 5th grader at Fairforest Elementary and has been a member of Boys & Girls Club for 2 years. She is a cheerleader, a member of her church choir, sunday school assistant, and a member of her Boys & Girls Club's dance team.



Melisa Velasquez is a 5th grader at Arcadia Elementary and has been a member of Boys & Girls Club for 3 years. She is President of Student Council, a member of Art Visions and the strings program. At Boys & Girls Club, she enjoys photography club and volunteer projects.



Aaron Means is a 6th grader at Park Hills Elementary and has been a member of Boys & Girls Club for 3 years. His favorite activities at Club include Garden Club, baseball, basketball and tutoring.



Jayla Smith is a 4th grader at Cleveland Elementary and has been a member of Boys & Girls Club for 4 years. Jayla is a member of Student Council. Her favorite Club activities include drama, art and volunteer work.



Jenny Tellez is a 4th grader at Chapman Elementary and has been a member of Boys & Girls Club for 3 years. She enjoys drama Club, helping younger kids with homework, and volunteering with her church.



Sanford Skinner is a 5th grader at Lone Oak Elementary and has been a member of Boys & Girls Club for 3 years. He is a member of The Good News Club, 4-H Club, Junior Beta Club and Spanish Club. At Boys & Girls Club, he enjoys community service projects.



Jada Sarratt is our Cherokee County Youth of the Year. She is a student at B.D. Lee Elementary.



Akeah Allen is our Youth of the Year from Mary Bramlett Elementary in Cherokee County.

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