



Boys & Girls Clubs
of Saskatoon

ANNUAL REPORT

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A good place to be

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide a safe, supportive place where children and youth can experience new opportunities, overcome barriers, build positive relationships and develop confidence and skills for life.

VISION STATEMENT

All children and youth discover and achieve their dreams and grow up to be healthy, successful and active participants in society.

CORE VALUES

Inclusion & Opportunity

We strive to offer children and youth from all economic, cultural and social backgrounds access to the resources, supports and opportunities that will enable them to overcome barriers and achieve their positive potential in life.

Respect & Belonging

We provide a safe, supportive place, where every child is listened to, respected and valued in an environment of inclusion and acceptance. Our staff and volunteers model honesty, fair play, positive attitude, cooperation and respect for self and others.

Empowerment

We believe that all young people can grow into responsible, contributing and self-reliant members of society. Children and youth are at the centre of everything we do. Through adventure, play and discovery, we encourage them to develop healthy lifestyles, a life-long passion for learning, leadership and lifeskills and a sense of social responsibility.

Collaboration

We work together with families and volunteers in each community, in partnership with the public and private sector, to create healthy community solutions to providing children and youth with what they need for optimal development.

Speaking Out

We speak out on behalf of children, youth and their families to reduce disadvantage, enhance their lives and enable their voices and ideas to be heard.



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Quotes from our children:

"Are you going to hit me?" asks a 6 year old boy who attends our program.

"My Mommy and Daddy are both in jail & I don't know where I'm going to sleep tonight" asks a 7 year old girl who attends our program.

"I get to play with my friends and do stuff I don't have at home like crafts and colouring and play outside" - Showna, 7 years old, program participant

"I got a place where I get to have fun and I don't gotta watch my baby brother. He stinks." - Kaytlyn, 6 years old, program participant.

Memphis – 6 year old boy, Pleasant Hill Clubhouse:

Our Club Director and her assistants always meet the kids that attend our Clubhouse at Pleasant Hill School as soon as the bell rings. They then take the kids to the school gym for some games and physical activity or head back to KAP. They usually stop in the school playground for a while on their way back. This year, each day when our group stopped at the school playground, an unsupervised little boy around 6 years old was also there at the playground. Each day, our Club Director, Hayley would talk to him and invite him to play with the kids. Each time she talked to him, he would look at his shoes and not say anything. Hayley started giving him registration forms for his parents to fill out, but he never brought them back. Hayley kept talking to him every day at the playground, and soon she started noticing that he was peeking into the windows of our lower level program space at KAP House after the group left the playground. One day on the playground, he finally spoke to Hayley – and the first words that he said to her were "Are you going to hit me?"

Finally, after giving him 36 registration forms, Memphis appeared at the Clubhouse. That was the day of the United Way's "Seeing is Believing" tour. When the bus arrived at KAP House that day, I went to the door first to lead the United Way group in. There was a little boy at the door with a registration form in his hand. It seemed like he couldn't open the door, so I asked him if he needed some help. He just looked down at his shoes. I asked him if he would like to go in to Boys & Girls Club. He kept looking down at his shoes. I then asked him if he would like to see Hayley. He kept looking at his shoes and then he nodded. I opened the door and took him downstairs to see Hayley. Memphis arrived at the Clubhouse on October 18 and he hasn't missed a day since. He arrives every day with a smile on his face and according to Hayley is "happy as a clam!" One day, she felt someone pinch her as her back was turned. She turned around to see who had done it and there was Memphis with a big smile on his face and he said to her "I love you Hayley".

This is what Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon does each and every day and that is called success!

This is why we do what we do.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2011/2012

PAUL PASTOR	President
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SCOTT MCBEAN	Secretary
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COURTNEY ROHACHUK	Director

EMPLOYEES

FULL TIME

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	WANDA DESJARDINS	
DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMS	HEIDI CARL	
BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM	DEBBIE LAWTON LEIGH ANN MCLEAN (Maternity leave return) KELSEY PARKER (Term position for Maternity leave)	Manager Assistant Manager Oct - Dec Assistant Manager Jan - Sept
CONFEDERATION PARK CLUBHOUSE	LAURA HOSALUK RAYLENE DOVE	Jan - June Oct - Dec
PLEASANT HILL CLUBHOUSE	KELSI CHISHOLM HAYLEY KIDD-KENNEDY	Jan - June Sept - Dec
WHITE BUFFALO CLUB	MIKE MACDONALD	Sept - Dec
ECOLE COLLEGE PARK PRESCHOOL JOHN LAKE PRESCHOOL	MARLENE EAGER HEATHER AHLSTEDT JODI KEITH	Jan - May Sept - Dec
EARLY LEARNING CENTRE DIRECTOR ELC ASSISTANT DIRECTOR EARLY LEARNING EDUCATORS	LINDSEY LAWTON EMILY THIESSEN ALYSHA CHOMYSHEN CARMELLA GARDINER KAYLA BOSSHART JAIME BOYLE ANGIE CORKILL LINDSAY GRESCHNER IMCY LERIO TAYLER PONCELET TRINA QUILLINAN	(Maternity leave)

ELC COOK	VANESSA SCHAEFER	
	THORA MALINOWSKI	
	HEATHER WAYCOTT	
	HAYLEY KIDD-KENNEDY	Resigned March
	REBEKAH RYLAND	Resigned March
	WENDY MILLER	Resigned July
	REBECCA GUMANID	Resigned August
	MARSHNEIL KAPADIA	Resigned August
	SARAH SCHLECHTE	Resigned September
OFFICE ADMINISTRATION	BARB DERINGER	

PART TIME & SEASONAL EMPLOYEES

During the months of July & August five seasonal full time employees worked at the Pike Lake Summer Day Camps & five seasonal full time employees worked at the Summer in the City Day Camps.

The Confederation Park Clubhouse employed 1 part time staff to assist the Club Director in 2011/2012.

The Pleasant Hill Clubhouse employed 2 part time staff to assist the Club Director in 2011/2012.

We had a total of 169 part time staff work in the Before & After School Programs during the year.

The Early Learning Centre employed 3 part time people and our Preschool programs in John Lake School and Ecole College Park each had an assistant working with our teachers.

The Youth Employment Program employed 56 youth for cleaning the grounds, 4 youth for handling the recycling and 5 supervisors for the week of the Prairieland Exhibition.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon employed a total of 208 Full Time, Part Time and Seasonal Staff in 2011. In 2011 BGCS had 13 regular program volunteers, 74 parent volunteers, 24 practicum students and 25 College of Nursing community service students.

**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF SASKATOON
2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
MONDAY APRIL 30, 2012
5:30 P.M.
105 - 135 ROBIN CRES.
SASKATOON, SK S7L 6M3**

AGENDA:

- Call to Order
- Adoption of the Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting of Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon held April 18, 2011.
- Receive and approve the Auditors Report for 2011.
- Appoint KPMG as Auditors for 2012.
- Presentation of Reports.
- Elections of Directors for Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon for 2012/2013
 - President – Paul Pastor
 - Vice President – Bill Seymour
 - Alana Wakula – Treasurer
 - Scott McBean - Secretary
 - Rod Butler
 - Faith Rowland
 - Courtney Rohachuk
- Other Business

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF SASKATOON

2011 Executive Directors Report

Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon had fantastic year in 2011!
Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon believes that “Every Kid Has Potential” and we believe that all children should have the opportunity to participate in quality programs right in their own neighbourhood.

Our programs flourished in 2011. The Mini Club program that was only open in the afternoons in 3 of our 4 locations in the 2010/2011 school year opened mornings and afternoons for the 2011/2012 school year in all four Saskatoon neighbourhoods that are considered to be “high needs” areas. In September of 2011, we were really excited to announce that we were collaborating with White Buffalo Youth Lodge in opening an afterschool Clubhouse program.

We are in demand and we are growing!

In 2011, Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon provided programming for 2773 children and youth in 34 locations in Saskatoon and area. Our 3 Clubhouses and our 4 Mini Clubs were able to provide programs at no cost to 593 children and youth; 87% of whom were of Aboriginal descent.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon is *a good place to be!!*

We continue to receive support for our efforts to provide quality programming for kids. A big thank you goes to the following the support we received in 2011 from:

MAJOR FUNDERS:

- ✘ Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation
- ✘ United Way of Saskatoon & Area

CORPORATE PARTNERS:

- ✘ Saskatoon Star Phoenix
- ✘ The Bridge City Boogie
- ✘ RBC Foundation
- ✘ The Home Depot Canada Foundation
- ✘ CIBC
- ✘ SaskTel & Horizon – Extreme Technologies Makeover
- ✘ Leon’s Furniture Store
- ✘ Sears Canada
- ✘ Westjet

PROGRAM PARTNERS:

- ✘ Boys & Girls Clubs of Canada Foundation
- ✘ Canada Summer Jobs
- ✘ Canadian Tire Jumpstart
- ✘ City of Saskatoon
- ✘ Community Initiatives Fund
- ✘ George Weston Ltd.
- ✘ Government of Saskatchewan – Ministry of Education – Early Learning & Child Care Branch
- ✘ Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools
- ✘ Kinsmen Activity Place House
- ✘ Prairieland Park Corporation – Prairieland Exhibition
- ✘ Saskatoon Food Bank
- ✘ Saskatoon Public School Division
- ✘ Urban Aboriginal Grant
- ✘ Urban Aboriginal Strategies

FRIENDS OF BGC SASKATOON:

- ✘ Clark's Crossing Brew Pub
- ✘ Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- ✘ Husky Energy
- ✘ Kiwanis Club of Riversdale
- ✘ McConnell Transport Ltd
- ✘ Pink Shirt Day – BGC of Greater Vancouver
- ✘ Rotary Club of Saskatoon Nutana
- ✘ Saskatchewan Government Insurance (SGI)
- ✘ Schaan Healthcare Products Inc.
- ✘ The Lemon Tree Salon & Studio

SABA ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT in support of BGCS:

- ✘ Saskatoon Auto Body Association

SASKATCHEWAN ARTIST SHOW & SALE CORPORATE SPONSORS:

- ✘ Saskatoon Star Phoenix
- ✘ PotashCorp
- ✘ SaskTel Max
- ✘ Areva Cogema
- ✘ Cameco
- ✘ Cherry Financial Services Inc.
- ✘ Impact Marketing
- ✘ Hergott Duvall Stack LLP
- ✘ Saskatchewan Blue Cross
- ✘ Heagy Altrogge Matchett & Partners LLP
- ✘ Parr Autobody
- ✘ Dakota Dunes Casino

Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon uses our Core Values as the basis of all of our programs.

Our Core Values are:

- ✘ Inclusion and Opportunity
- ✘ Respect and Belonging
 - ✘ Empowerment
 - ✘ Collaboration
 - ✘ Speaking Out
- ✘ The Confederation Park Clubhouse, located in a portable classroom next to Bishop Roborecki School, had a very successful year in 2011 with 159 children and youth registered and attending our recreational drop in programs each day after school and 3 evenings per week. Sadly, Laura left us in June of 2011 to pursue other opportunities, but in October Raylene Dove joined us and has done a great job taking over from where Laura left off with the kids that attend our programs in Confederation Park.
- ✘ The Pleasant Hill Clubhouse is located in Kinsmen Activity Place House and is open to the children in the neighbourhood for recreational drop in programs Monday – Friday from 3:00 until 6:00. Our Pleasant Hill Clubhouse said good-bye to Kelsi in June, but Hayley Kidd-Kennedy joined us in September. Hayley is an energetic Club Director who continues to build relationships and trust with the families in the community. In 2011 steady group of 164 children and youth registered and attended our programs in Pleasant Hill.
- ✘ In September of 2011, we were excited to see our collaborative efforts with White Buffalo Youth Lodge get started! In late September, we hired our White Buffalo Club Director and together with staff from WBYL, we began offering programs to the children and youth in the Riversdale community. By the end of 2011, 42 children and youth were attending the program at White Buffalo.
- ✘ Our Mini Clubs are thriving and we were excited to be able to open up morning programs in all of our 4 locations starting in September! The Mini Clubs offer programming before and after

school to the children free of charge. The idea behind the Mini Club is to enable parents in need to attend school or to enter or re-enter the work force. The schools that were targeted for the Mini Clubs are Howard Coad, St. Mark, St. Michael & St. Frances Schools. In 2011, 228 children and youth registered and attended who otherwise wouldn't have a place to go.

- ✘ The Before & After School Programs continue to thrive and grow with more schools inquiring all the time about the programs that we offer. We offered programs to 1598 children in the following schools throughout both the Saskatoon Public School Division and Greater Catholic Schools as well as in Prairie Spirit School Division in 2011: Bishop Filevich, Bishop Pocock, Brunskill, Buena Vista, Ecole College Park, Dalmeny (opened Sept 2011), Father Robinson, Georges Vanier, Henry Kelsey (opened Sept 2011), Hugh Cairns, John Lake, Langham Elementary, Mother Teresa, Queen Elizabeth, Roland Michener, Silverspring, St. Augustine, St. Bernard (closed June 2011), St. Edward, Ecole St. Paul, St. Philip (closed June 2011), St. Peter and Vincent Massey (opened Sept 2011). In the Spring of 2011, we were notified by Greater Catholic Schools that our programs were no longer needed in St. Bernard & St. Phillip Schools due to the creation of daycares in both of those schools. We were happy to open up new programs in Dalmeny Elementary, Henry Kelsey and Vincent Massey Schools in September of 2011.
- ✘ Our Preschool programs remain strong with classes full in both of our locations of Ecole College Park and John Lake School. We offer programs for 4 year olds on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and for 3 year olds on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at John Lake School. At Ecole College Park our preschool is bilingual and classes for 4 year olds are offered in the mornings on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and for 3 year olds on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. In 2011 we had 141 preschool children in our classes.
- ✘ Our Early Learning Centre has adapted really well after the major expansion in mid-2010. The expansion has been a wonderful change for BGCS. We have room for 51 infants and preschool children in our daycare, along with 12 full time staff. In 2011, 78 children were in the care of our ELC. The Early Learning Centre's programming incorporates our Core Values and encourages children to explore the world around them in a fun, safe and stimulating environment and to become independent learners. Our Early Learning Centre is a positive model for good care, we provide a healthy environment that protects children from danger, fosters friendships and a sense of belonging.
- ✘ The Pike Lake Summer Day Camps were again successful in 2011 with most of the camps filled to capacity, 326 campers were registered. As well, we offered 30 kids camp spaces at no charge. The kids came from BGC Saskatoon, Big Brothers Big Sisters as well as a few others that were referred to us that otherwise may not have been able to go. The staff and the kids all had a great time at Pike Lake swimming, mini golfing, hiking the nature trail and for the older kids, sleeping overnight in tents for one night.
- ✘ Our Summer in the City Day Camps were offered for the 3rd year during the summer of 2011. The day camps were meant to help out families with affordable care for their school aged children during July and August when school isn't in session. The Summer in the City Day Camps were based out of St. Joseph's Hall on the corner of 8th St. and Broadway again this year. It was a fantastic location for the camps and when the weather was nice, the kids were able to explore areas and events in Saskatoon such as the Fringe Festival on Broadway. In 2011, our Summer in the City Camps were filled to capacity with 400 children registered.
- ✘ We partnered again with Prairieland Exhibition in 2011 and ran the Youth Employment Program. We hired 56 youth between the ages of 12 and 18 years old to keep the grounds clean during the week of the Prairieland Exhibition. We also had approximately 60 recycling barrels for can and bottle collection set out in various places throughout the grounds that 4 of our youth were in charge of managing. The youth who are hired for this program have a process that they have to go through. First, they need to fill out an application form for the job, and then they are

interviewed, and finally training before they start to work at the Exhibition. We were asked to maintain River Landing during the first ever iver Lights Festival as well in 2011. We hired 8 of our Exhibition Clean-up workers for the weekend of the Festival.

- * We celebrated our 33rd Annual Saskatchewan Artists Show & Sale in 2011. The show this year was successful again this year! Special thanks to The Star Phoenix for being our Presenting Sponsor. They really know how to make the Art Show the success that it is! Thanks to: Rembrandt Level Sponsor PotashCorp, Rockwell Level Sponsors: SaskTel Max, Areva, Cameco, Cherry Financial Services, Hergott Duvall Stack LLP, Impact Marketing, Saskatchewan Blue Cross, Warhol Level Sponsors: Heagy Altrogge Matchett and Partners LLP, Parr Autobody, Dakota Dunes Casino for sponsoring our Art Show & Sale. Thanks to the Western Development Museum for their support in making our show a wonderful event. A special thanks to the artists that have allowed this show to become the longest running art show in Saskatchewan.
- * For the past 24 years the Saskatoon Autobody Association has run the Annual Charity Golf Tournament in support of Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon at the Willows Golf & Country Club. A lot of fun was had by all of the golfers in the tournament.
- * 2011 was our third year of being one of the recipient charities of The Bridge City Boogie, a fundraising event organized by The Star Phoenix. This year, I was asked to join the Bridge City Boogie Committee in charge of the Food Tent. Now, BGCS is operating the Food Tent during the Boogie instead of participating – it really is a lot of fun! We are so grateful to the Star Phoenix for the tremendous support that they give to BGC Saskatoon.
- * Clark's Crossing Brew Pub held their golf tournament for the 5th year in support of Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon. The tournament was held in August at Holiday Park Golf Club. Their goal is to run this tournament annually in support of our organization.
- * The Saskatchewan Parks & Recreation Conference was held in Saskatoon in October. Heidi & Hayley attended the conference.
- * I attended the Boys & Girls Clubs of Canada Pac-West Conference in Edmonton in September.
- * In March, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Saskatoon informed us that they would not be renewing our lease. It was a bittersweet bit of information for us in that we had been renting space from BBBS for more than 20 years, but at the same time it was exciting because it meant that we had the opportunity to move into a place of our own! On June 1, 2011, we moved into our new offices on Robin Crescent and we are happy to say that it was a really good move for us!

I would like to thank my co-workers and the staff at Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon. Without a dedicated and enthusiastic staff we wouldn't be able to offer the excellent programs that we do. Our staff makes our organization the success that it is. Thank you!

I would like to thank our Board of Directors for their support, patience and belief in me. The time that you devote to Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon is invaluable and is what helps to make our organization the success that it is. Together, we can move in the direction that we need to enable us to enrich the lives of more of Saskatoon's children and youth.

Respectfully submitted,
Wanda Desjardins
Executive Director