



## Summer 2018 Newsletter Letter from our Executive Director

Hello BGCSCC family,

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped us reach new heights serving the youth of Santa Cruz County. It was very exciting to open our third facility, the **Joe & Linda Aliberti Clubhouse** in Scotts Valley, last month. We have already exceeded 100 new members and over 30 members attending each day. New families are checking in every day to inquire about both our after-school programs and how to participate this summer.

It's almost hard to remember that it was just two short years ago that the **Live Oak Clubhouse** opened and began preparing for their first summer. This Clubhouse now has over 800 members and averages nearly 190 youth every day after school and during the summer.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Santa Cruz County (BGCSCC) has experienced a time of significant growth these past two years and has also met the challenge of increasing program efficacy and meeting quality program metrics, including helping stem the tide of summer learning loss for our members in comparison to other students. Just by the numbers, we have increased total members from 1,200 to over 2,200 and our average daily attendance from 180 to over 370. We are extremely proud to be such an impactful part of the lives of so many youth in our county, but realize there is still much to be done.

BGCSCC has made a commitment to provide all members with a **high-quality Club Experience** that is safe and fun, leads to a sense of belonging, and develops the skills needed to achieve success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We will also strive to continue to learn and develop practices and program models with demonstrated impact, ultimately leading youth to graduate from high school with a plan for the future, develop good character and citizenship, and adopt a healthy lifestyle. It is also important for BGCSCC to **advocate** that every young person in our county has access to high-quality out-of-school-time programs and experiences that equip them with the tools to succeed.

We can't do this alone and hope you are inspired to continue with us on our journey. **Great Futures** may be our slogan, but it should also be within reach of every young person! To see what we are doing at all three Clubhouses this summer please check out the program flyers below.

For the kids,  
Bob Langseth

Summer Program for Joe & Linda Aliberti Clubhouse

Summer Program for Downtown Clubhouse

Summer Program for Live Oak Clubhouse

Daily Drop-in Summer Camp  
Monday—Friday, June 11—August 17  
7:30am-6:00pm  
\$15/day | \$65/week | \$600/summer  
with Annual BGCSCC membership (\$75)  
(additional fees for special classes and field trips)

Summer Registration OPEN!  
You may register at any Clubhouse  
**Please fill out this form before you register.**

Questions? Please contact your Clubhouse Director. Info at bottom of Newsletter.

**Thank you to everyone who supported Kids Nite Out and the Grand Opening of the Joe & Linda Aliberti Clubhouse!**



Big and Little pairs pose for a photo at the end of Kids Nite Out





Staff from Live Oak, Downtown, and Joe & Linda Aliberti Clubhouse pose with mayor or proclamation on day of the Joe & Linda Aliberti Clubhouse Grand Opening.



Joe and Linda Aliberti officiate the ribbon cutting ceremony during the Joe & Linda Clubhouse Grand Opening.



Joe and Linda Aliberti pose in front of the Joe & Linda Aliberti Clubhouse.





Teresa Swart (Board Member), Corky Roberson (Board Member), Linda Aliberti, and James Dyer (Board Member) together at the Grand Opening of the Joe & Linda Aliberti Clubhouse



Club members having fun before Kids Nite Out officially begins!



Club members and big buddy play Just Dance during Kids Nite Out





Club member, Prince, and Big Buddy, Mike, dance to Just Dance during Kids Nite Out!

## Welcome to the Team!



Meet Andrew Quist, Jess Gnau, Nijah Newtree, and Maia Yates-- the staff at the Joe & Linda Aliberti Clubhouse.

**Andrew Quist, Education Director:** *After having worked at Scotts Valley Middle School for over two years, I am so happy to be in a place that is a natural extension for kids that I know need a place like this. To be able to further those relationships and stay involved in a community I really like is a joy.*

**Jess Gnau, Program Specialist:** *I love watching children learn and grow through artistic expression. Providing guidance and instruction along the way fills me with a sense of joy I have not found anywhere else.*

**Nijah Newtree, Program Specialist:** *I'm excited to work at BGCSCC because it's an opportunity to contribute to the growth of the community I grew up in. I think it's a great place for me to share my passions with others and provides a space for others to express themselves as well.*

**Hana Lindenmuth, Program Specialist (not pictured):** *I love working at BGCSCC because I have the opportunity to make a positive impact on children of all ages.*

**Maia Yates, Unit Director:** *I chose to be involved with Boys & Girls Club because it gives youth and teens a safe and fun place to be after school and in the summer. It allows youth and teens to be themselves and learn life skills as well as make connections with their community and other peers.*

## Upcoming Events

### 2nd Annual Scotts Valley Bocce Tournament

Saturday, May 19  
9:00am-3:00pm  
Sky Park Bocce Courts, Scotts Valley  
Non-participants are welcome to join us!



### 49th Annual Swing Into Great Futures Golf Tournament

Friday, July 13  
DeLaveaga Golf Course

Schedule of Events  
12:00pm Check-in; receive lunch  
1:00pm Tee-off shotgun start, 4 Person Scramble, Best Ball  
5:00pm Happy Hour & Appetizers  
6:00pm BBQ Dinner, Raffle & Awards

Golfers receive: Golf cart, Box lunch, BBQ dinner, and Awards  
Tournament Features: Closest to the Pin & Putting Contests, Hole-in-One Prizes, Long Drive & Pro's Drive. BBQ Dinner open to families!

**Cost: \$600/foursome, \$150/individual**

**Sign Up HERE.**

Sponsorship opportunities available!

[More information here!](#)

### **Live Oak 3k/5k/10k & Family Fun Run**

Saturday, September 22

8 AM-12 PM

Simpkins Family Swim Center

Co-sponsored by Santa Cruz County Parks and Recreation

*More information coming soon!*

### **Sunrise Rotary Santa Cruz Ride**

Saturday, September 29th

Register for the 1 Day Ride to Benefit BGCSCC

**Register Here**

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Help us ensure that youth in Santa Cruz County, Scotts Valley, and San Lorenzo Valley have access to Great Summers at Boys & Girls Clubs of Santa Cruz County. Today your support will allow us to provide the most affordable summer camp in the region with a focus on combating summer learning loss and having FUN!

**Donate Today!**