



CLINTON JETS' NEWSLETTER

Sports Programs and News for Parents, Children, and Friends of Clinton, MD April 2009

Celebrating 45 Years



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

My name is William C. Lyons, and I am the new President of the Clinton Boys and Girls Club. Like many of you, I find myself constantly working, commuting, taking my children to their practices, and attending games on the weekend. When I find a moment of freedom, I prefer to relax--or maybe catch a rerun of CSI. Well, I caution you, we can no longer afford not to use this time to ensure the welfare of the club. If we do not use this time to work together to maintain and improve the CBGC we may one day wake up to find out that there is no club for our children.

Did you know...?

At one time Clinton Boys and Girls Club was the most impressive Club in the county. Our fields and teams were the most impressive in the county the organization was held in high regard by the county, as well as the Clinton business community. The club had a great relationship with the business community. Working with the community and Maryland Park and Planning, the club was able to convince Prince Georges Community College to allow us to use local farm land. With the help of the Clinton Community the farm land was developed into the athletic fields our children play on today. They also made arrangements for the free use of the land and facility we currently use to house our equipment. Our only obligation was the maintenance of the facilities and fields.

What's Next . . .?

I have been given the greatest of opportunities, to lead CGBC. I assure you that I will bring the discipline, structure and a leadership that will propel our Club to the next level. So, I invite you to join me on this journey. I know that together we can make the change that we need to return CBGC to its former glory.

New Directors

President	William Lyons
Treasurer	Tamika Gibson
Recording Secretary	Katedra Nixon
Membership Director	Tasha Smith
Athletic Director	Donzell Bowman
Publicity Director.....	Kimberly Bryant
Counselor	Mike Morgan
Facilities Director.....	Nate Archev
Special Events Director.....	Shavonne Bowman
Supply & Equipment Director.....	Neville Smith
Fundraising Director.....	Camille Banks
Snack Bar Director.....	Millicent James
Newsletter	Mina Evans-Alston
Field Maintenance Director.....	Randy Gaskin
Manpower Director.....	Torri Powell

Upcoming Events

- * Executive Board MeetingApril 23rd
- * General Membership MeetingMay 7th
- * CBGC Community Yards SaleMay 9th
- * CBGC Community Day.....August 15th

Club Meetings

General Membership Meetings are held on the first Thursday in February, May, September, and November and is open to everyone.

The Board of Directors holds monthly meetings on the 4th Thursday of each month.

**To support board meeting participation practices are not held on evenings of scheduled Board meetings.

Our club meetings are your opportunity to hear about upcoming events the Club is planning, to support the Club Vision, and to become acquainted with your Board members. The opportunity to vote in the election of CBGC Executive Board is always yours.

Join Us – All members are welcomed and encouraged to attend the monthly meetings. Practices are no longer scheduled on the 4th Thursday of each month to avoid schedule conflicts, and to ensure a timely start. If you have concerns about the operations, policies, or field conditions this is your chance to become a part of the solution. Just remember to bring solutions and ideas along with those concerns. If you have wonderful ideas about how we can make CBGC the best club in PG County—this is your chance!

What We've Been Up To

- On Saturday March 21st the CBGC hosted Mothers vs. Daughters and Fathers vs. Coaches Competition. The girl's basketball players gave it their all, but the mothers proved to be a bit too tough to beat. The fathers were able to pull out a win over the coaches.
- Sponsorship Director, Michelle Lyons and Special Events Director, Shavonne Bowman, have been out and pounding the pavement. They are talking with local businesses about club sponsorship, the Building Fund Campaign, and about the upcoming community day event. The responses from the business community have been very positive and we are looking forward to forming some great partnerships.
- William C. Lyons has been meeting with various community business owners in an effort to get help with repairing/maintaining our athletic fields.
- On Wednesday, April 1st, sponsorship letters went out to 1400 businesses in the Clinton area. We also mailed 3600 postcards to residents.
- On Saturday, April 4th, a group of committed parents showed up to learn how to operate field equipment. It's wonderful to know that club members are committed to do all that they can to help improve our club. (See pic)
- On Saturday, May 09, 2009 the CBGC will host a Community Yard Sale. We will rent tables at \$20 each. We are working with local churches to make sure the event is a success. We need volunteers for the snack bar and for coordination at the yard sale.
- On August 15th we will host Clinton Community Day. We need volunteers to serve on various committees for this event.
- We have begun a massive membership drive, a Building Campaign Fund drive, we are partnering with local high schools to get volunteers, we are receiving commitments from local businesses to do all they can to help, and we are scheduling numerous events and fundraisers. I've received numerous calls from members wanting to know what they can do.

CBGC GENERAL REGISTRATION PROCESS

You may register on Wednesday's and Thursday's from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Equipment Shed.

Items Needed for Registration

- Registration Fee (Acceptable forms of payment include credit card, money order, or cashier's check)
- Proof of Residency (Ex. Driver's license, Non-driver's license by MVA, deed to home along w/picture ID, etc.)
- Copy of Registrant(s) Birth Certificate (*New members only*)
- Small Picture of Registrant(s) (*New Members Only*)

For more information about registration, please contact Membership Director Tasha Smith at 301-868-1244 or cbgcmbrshp@verizon.net. To verify your volunteer hours, please contact Torri Powell, Manpower Director at 301-343-8408 or princess1_20743@yahoo.com.

Kid's Recipe Quick Stop

If your children rush home from school with growling tummies and in need of a treat, it's time to tell them about this tasty and healthy snack they can prepare themselves. Note: Some assistance is required for kids ages 8 and under.

Snack #1 - Ants on a Log

What you need:

2 celery sticks
Pairing knife
Butter knife
Cutting board
Raisins
Cream cheese or peanut butter

What you do:

1. Wash the celery and use your paring knife to cut it into 4 pieces (about 5 inches long) on the cutting board.
2. Spread cream cheese or peanut butter on the celery sticks with your butter knife.
3. Add raisins and voila! You've got ants on a log.

Why Organized Sports Are Important



Few commitments have the kind of payoff that a child receives from playing organized sports. Sports participation enhances physical fitness during childhood while helping develop healthy habits for adulthood. A child gains experience in cooperation, self-discipline and perseverance, all while having a good time.

Sports participation can motivate the sedentary child, occupy the child who has idle time, minimize the habits of the fast-food junkie and relieve stress. Plus, the personal and emotional rewards can last a lifetime -- self-esteem, social skills and dedication.

Keep in mind, however, that enrolling your child in an organized sport, is also a commitment on your part. Your child will need appropriate equipment, transportation and, of course, your support.

2009 Building Fund Campaign

Over the past several years, our Club has enjoyed the good fortune of a "right of use" property located in the heart of Clinton, on Piscataway Road. All equipment, uniforms, and business files are stored in the utility shed located on the property.



The "shed", as it has come to be called, is in serious disrepair and we are often forced to conduct meetings and club business at other facilities due to space limitations. In response we have begun a Building Fund Campaign to secure funds for the purchase of land and building structure. We are appealing to you to help us in our efforts.

What can you do to help? Here are a few ideas

Sponsor a Team

With your help we can purchase uniforms, equipment, and supplies to support a specific team. Please contact our Sponsorship team to obtain information about our various sports programs.

Sponsor an Event

The Clinton Boys & Girls Club hosts various events throughout the year. Your sponsorship will help to pay for space rental, food & beverages, décor, awards, etc. You may also choose to donate the use of your facility. For more information about specific events, please visit our website or contact our Director of Special Events, Shavonne Bowman at 202-409-8671.

Sponsor Training Camp

With your help, we can send Clinton Jets sports teams to various training camps throughout the year. For more information about specific training camps, please contact our Athletic Director, Donzell Bowman at 202-528-6421.

Donate Equipment and/or Supplies

The Clinton Boys & Club needs various types of equipment and supplies such as computers, printers, outdoor maintenance equipment, etc.

Thank You To Our Donors & Sponsors

James & Tracy Johnson
Glencor Services, Inc.
M & M Decorators, Inc.
Reliant Resource Solutions, LLC
Herb & Bryan's Barbershop
Andre Crawley
James Hunt
Tangela Williams
John Little
Angelo Burston

Community Day Mission: To bring the Clinton and surrounding communities together for a day of leisure and fun and to recognize what Clinton MD has to offer. There will be carnival games, music, food, sports activities, a barbecue competition, and more going on at the event. We are in contact with radio stations and print publications to publicize the event.

Proceeds will benefit the Clinton Boys & Girls Club Building Fund.

Date: Saturday, August 15, 2009

Time: 11:00 am – 5:00pm

Location: Clinton Sports Complex, located on Piscataway Road, behind the Clinton Public Library.

In order to host a successful event we are asking area businesses to partner with us. We have also obtained the commitment of our members to do all that they can to help ensure the success of this event.

CBGC Building Fund 2009

In January 2009, the Clinton Boys and Girls Club launched the CBGC Building Fund Campaign. The club has operated out of a small shed for the past several years. The shed is in serious disrepair and has become an eye sore within the community. CBGC members are committed to do all that they can, and are confident that with the support of the local business community, we can replace the current facilities with a structure which our youth can be proud of.

Business Community Involvement

We are inviting other organizations and businesses to participate in one or both of the following ways:

- **Sponsorship:** CBGC Sponsorship Committee is encouraging monetary contributions, equipment and supplies donations, and event participation from area businesses. Sponsors will be identified in the Program Book and also during a Sponsorship Recognition Ceremony to be held during the event.
- **Clinton Networks Area:** Business/Organizations are encouraged to participate in Community Day by purchasing a table in our Clinton Networks Area. They may distribute brochures, product/services coupons, t-shirts, or sell items from their tables. Tables and space is available for \$20 per company/organization. This is the perfect opportunity for small locally owned businesses to advertise their services/products.

For more information about participation or sponsorship, please contact Michelle Lyons at 301.254.8407 or send email to mlvons127@comcast.net

Coaches and Team Parents Needed

The Clinton Boys & Girls Club is seeking coaches and team parents for the 2009 Spring Sports. If you are interested in volunteering for either position, click on "Coach/Volunteer Sign-Up" link on the home page of the website (www.clintonjets.org) to register. For more details, contact Donzell Bowman at 202-528-6421 or donzellb@hotmail.com.



CLINTON BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Community Yard Sale

Saturday, May 9, 7am-2pm
Clinton Boys & Girls Club, 9110 1/2
Piscataway Road, Clinton, MD 20735

Buyers: Why look for single family yard sales when you can attend a giant one with all the items you're looking for? Bikes, household appliances, dishes, toys, lawn equipment, electronics, video, books, clothing, school uniforms, etc.—you'll find it here. Arrive early for best selection. No admission fee!

Sellers: Tables are available for rent at \$20(6ft.) or \$25(8ft.). Rental fee is due by 5/01/09. Contact Shavonne Bowman 202-409-8671 to reserve your space. Proceeds will benefit the Clinton Boys & Girls Club Building Fund.

Food & Drinks will be available for purchase.
Donations are welcomed.

Clinton Boys & Girls Club Youth Volunteer Program

The Clinton Boys & Girls Club, ("CBGC"), provides an excellent opportunity for area high school students to gain valuable work experience and aid in meeting the community service requirement for graduation. The following volunteer opportunities are currently available for students:

- **Concession/Snack Bar Attendants-** Students will prepare/sell food and drinks during games and special events;
- **Field Maintenance-** Students will assist in field clean up, maintenance, and beautification of athletic field at CBGC's Sports Complex;
- **Junior Coaches-** Student Athletes will assist coaches during practice, games, sports clinics, operate score clock and/or maintain scorebook;
- **Special Events/Admission Representatives-** Students will collect tickets and/or admission at special event (i.e., tournaments, banquets, pep rallies, homecomings, carnival games, pony rides, etc.)
- **Registration Assistants-** Students will assist membership staff with registration and equipment shed organization (i.e., disbursement of uniforms, equipment, camp waivers, flyers, inventory, fundraising paraphernalia, etc.);
- **Administrative Assistants-** Students will perform administrative duties as needed (i.e., word processing, copying, filing, receptionist, mass mailings, etc.).

For more information about the CBGC Youth Volunteer Program, please contact Torri Powell at 301-343-8408 or email princess1_20743@yahoo.com or visit our website at www.clintonjets.org.

Clinton Boys & Girls Club is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization operated entirely by volunteers.

Club Members Hard at Work!

On Saturday, April 4th, a group of committed parents showed up to learn how to operate field equipment. It's wonderful to witness the dedication and commitment that our members are investing to improve our Club. Check out the photo's of our members hard at work.



Volunteers Needed

The club is always in need of volunteers in the following areas: plumbing, electrical, carpentry, painting, locksmith service, air conditioning and heating repairs services, lawn equipment mechanics, accounting, data entry, computer support, database support and development, lawn service, general repair and cleaning. Individuals and businesses are encouraged to donate their time and expertise in these areas. All of these services cost money the club does not have. We need your help.

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Shed Hours

Wednesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Phone: 301-868-1244
(Dates & time may vary)

Sports Complex

Phone: 301-856-1115

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for all newsletter articles is the 4th Tuesday of the month. If you have any information to share, or questions about submitting articles for the newsletter, please send an e-mail to mina.evans@lmco.com

Reminders

The next Executive Board Meeting will be held on April 23, 2009 at 7:30 p.m., and the next General Membership Meeting will be held on May 7, 2009 at Clinton Grove Elementary. The shed will be closed on meeting days but will be open on the Tuesday prior to all meetings.

Has your phone number, email or mailing address changed? If so, please contact of our Membership Director immediately at 301-868-1244

CBGC's Bylaws

Are now online: click on "Handouts" link on the home page of the website (www.clintonjets.org)

2009 CBGC Board of Directors



Executive Board

President	William C. Lyons	301-704-5586
Vice-President	Herbert Carrington, III	301-943-8085
Treasurer	Tamika Gibson	301-368-4610
Recording Secretary	Katedra Nixon	240-688-6958
Corresponding Secretary	Twarnisha Peterson	301-356-7916

Board of Directors

Athletic Coordinating Director	Donzell Bowman	301-643-6396
Boys Activity Director	Terrence Turner	240-678-5524
Budget and Finance	Tonja Lowe	301-943-6054
Counselor	Michael Morgan	202-409-1945
Facilities Director	Nate Archey	301-221-2900
Field Maintenance Director	Randy Gaskin	240-423-3019
Fundraising Director	Camille Banks	240-244-1283
Girls Activity Director	Brenda Touhey	301- 257-9437
Manpower Director	Torri Powell	301-343-8408
Membership Director	Tasha Smith	202-258-1809
Newsletter	Mina Evans-Alston	301-885-6443
Property and Purchasing	Ronald Sledd	202-409-4630
Publicity	Kimberly Bryant	202-409-1944
Snack Bar	Millicent James	240-462-5508
Special Events	Shavonne Bowman	202-409-8671
Sponsorship Director	Michelle Lyons	240-846-0921
Supply & Equipment (1)	Neville Smith	202-288-6360

Commissioners

Baseball	Todd Jones	301-297-7391
Baseball	Shawn Moss	301-526-8193
Basketball (Boys)	Fred Faulkner	202-283-1321
Basketball (Girls)	Brenda Touhey	301-257-9437
Cheerleading	Nicolette Offutt	301-877-0585
Football	Frank Warner	301-910-9776
Soccer	Brenda Touhey	301-257-9437
Track	Durell Baxter	240-320-2121
Softball	Brenda Touhey	301-257-9437

Our Mission Statement

Our mission is to promote the welfare of our youth through training and instructions, as well as, nurture the basic principles of good sportsmanship. We take great pride in matriculating a properly supervised athletic program that is strongly supported by committed and caring volunteers who work extremely hard to keep the CBGC operating.

CLINTON WORD SEARCH

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