

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF GREATER NASHUA

Newsletter, *September 2026*

WHAT A SUMMER IT WAS!

Summer at the Club has been filled with new experiences, exciting adventures, and plenty of opportunities for our members to learn, grow, and make memories. From field trips and special activities to meaningful connections with staff and community partners, our campers and teens are making the most of every moment!



Stories from Around the Club

BE CREATIVE MURALFEST

Creativity was on full display during Be Creative MuralFest! Five large-scale murals came to life throughout the Club as visiting artists worked alongside our members through hands-on workshops and other memorable experiences. These new murals reflect the imagination, talent, and unique perspectives of our artists and members.

The Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua is supported in part by a grant from the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Event Photos

THE MURALS



Mural made possible with support from the Red Sox Foundation

by Cristhian Londoño, Tecla Martinez & Jorge Gallo



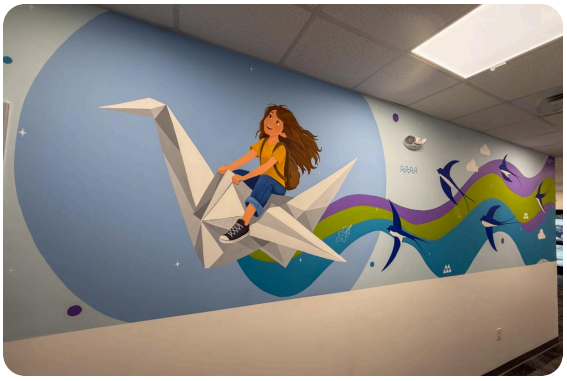
By Paul Monsters & Ivan Salazar



By Ms.Yellow & Eterno



By SEPC_ & J Daniel



By Jeraldine Hernandez

THE WORKSHOPS



Ivan Salazar worked with Stahl Teen Center members on spray paint and stencil techniques, giving them the chance to create designs on T-shirts and experiment with stencils on a variety of materials.



Jeraldine Hernandez introduced our Lower Elementary members to clay, giving them the opportunity to work hands-on with the material and create their own pieces.



Ms.Yellow introduced members to color blocking and mural techniques, exploring how shapes, colors, and composition work together to create large-scale artwork.



Eterno and **J Daniel** led members through Exquisite Skull, a collaborative drawing exercise where participants switched seats at timed intervals, building on one another's artwork to create an evolving piece filled with different ideas and styles.

A NIGHT AT FENWAY PARK

More than **40 members and staff** were in attendance as two of our members stepped onto the field to accept a **$200,000 investment** from the **Red Sox Foundation** and **Boston Red Sox** as a 2026 Special Recognition Award recipient, supporting The Power of Youth capital campaign.





The funding will help create a new youth wiffle ball program and a dedicated paved field featuring our new Green Monster mural, while also supporting renovations to our Project Learn Zone.





Thank you to **John and Jacquelyn Dionne** for donating the tickets that made it possible for our members and staff to experience this special night together!

GEARED UP AND READY TO LEARN!



BEST FOOT FORWARD

Thanks to **Fidelity Investments**, more than **165 members** received new shoes for the school year during **Kicks for Kids** at **ALEC's Shoes**. With Fidelity volunteers, members learned budgeting basics while finding the perfect pair of shoes.



PACKED FOR SUCCESS

Thanks to **WMUR-TV's Pack a Pack Backpack & School Supply Drive**, every summer camper received a new backpack filled with school supplies to start the year ready to learn. This year's drive reached an incredible 4,500-backpack milestone!

Photos | Story | Photos

MET AN IDOL ALONG THE WAY!





During Pack a Pack, our members received a special visit from Nashua native and Detroit Pistons player **Ebuka Okorie**! He spent time with members and helped make an already exciting day even more memorable.

FINISHED SUMMER STRONG!

WILD ABOUT WILD LIFE



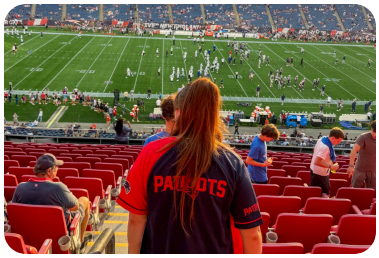




Some incredible wildlife visited when **Squam Lakes Natural Science Center** stopped by for a special visit! Members met an owl and a skunk while learning about these unique animals and the important role they play in our world.

A NIGHT UNDER THE LIGHTS

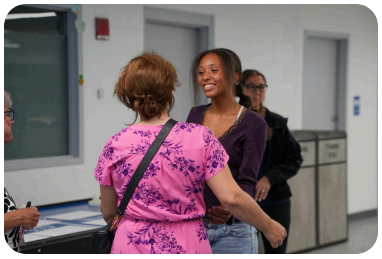


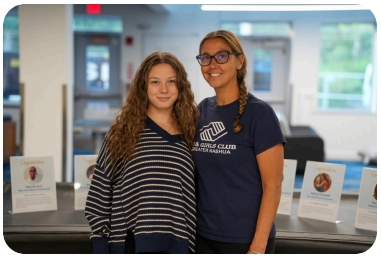




Some of our teens experienced their first **New England Patriots** game at Gillette Stadium this summer! A special thank you to **Dennis Giampietro and Cindy Herweck** for making this annual experience possible.

CELEBRATING OUR SCHOLARS





We celebrated an incredible group of youth at this year's **Scholarship Social**! **Fourteen members** received more than **$60,000 in scholarships** to support their continued education. We're proud of all they've accomplished and grateful to the donors whose generosity helps make their next steps possible.

Photos

GREAT PRIZES, NO CLUBS REQUIRED



You don't need to hit the links to take part in our **2026 Friel Memorial Golf Tournament raffle**!

Prizes include:

The Ultimate Golf Package, valued at $4,650
Includes 45 rounds of golf with carts across Overlook, Souhegan Woods, and Whip-Poor-Will Golf Clubs, 3 World Cup Golf Center range cards, and $900 in golf club gift cards

Longines Watch from **Long's Jewelers**, valued at $1,500

Happy Mail, our new monthly Club initiative featuring personalized mail created by our members for a full year, valued at $120

Get Tickets

The **Friel Memorial Golf Tournament** is on **September 17** at **Overlook Golf Club** in Hollis!

Join us for a day of golf, connection, and fun while supporting the Club and the opportunities we provide for local youth.

More Info

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL WELLNESS CONNECTION







During Fentanyl Awareness Month in August, our Social Emotional Wellness staff hosted a youth-focused prevention session for our teens, covering awareness, understanding risks, and making safe choices. They continued the conversation through a poster challenge, creating their own prevention messages to share throughout the Teen Center and educate their peers.

For Parents & Caregivers:
Talking With Your Child About Fentanyl & Other Drugs

Conversations about substance use don't have to be one big talk. Small, ongoing conversations can help children feel comfortable asking questions and coming to you when they need support.

- Ask open-ended questions and listen without immediately judging.
- Let your child know they can come to you if they are ever in an uncomfortable or unsafe situation.
- Talk about what to do if someone offers them a pill or another substance.
- Create a family "exit plan" or code word they can use if they need help leaving a situation.
- Remind children that medications should only be taken when prescribed to them and obtained from a licensed pharmacy.

For more conversation strategies and age-appropriate tools, visit SAMHSA's "Talk. They Hear You." resources.

Visit Resource

COMMUNITY THAT CARES





NEW WHEELS, NEW POSSIBILITIES

Alta Equipment Company New England donated **35 bikes and 40 helmets** for members of all ages, including bikes with training wheels for some of our youngest riders. The donation gives members more opportunities to get outside, stay active, build confidence, and have fun on two wheels!





PACKED FOR A GREAT YEAR

Gate City Casino helped our members get ready for the school year with a generous donation of new backpacks and school supplies. Thank you for supporting local kids and helping them start the year feeling prepared and excited!

DINE & GIVE AT RED ROBIN

Make dinner count at **Red Robin** on **September 10 & 24**! When you dine at the Nashua location and participate in the fundraiser, 20% of

BAGS FOR BRIGHTER FUTURES

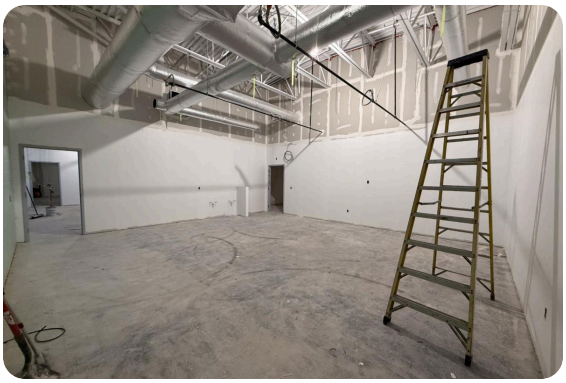
As a nonprofit partner in the **Hannaford Community Bag Program** this September, every $2.50 reusable Community Bag purchased

your order will be donated to the Club. It's an easy way to enjoy a meal while supporting more opportunities for local youth.

at Hannaford, 77 Derry Road in Hudson, will earn **$1 for the Club**.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CORNER





Work continues on the expansion of our Early Learning Center, and each stage of construction brings us closer to welcoming more young children and families. What was once an open construction space is beginning to look more and more like the classrooms and learning spaces our youngest members will soon call their own.

Learn More **Donate** **Schedule a Tour**



Ways to Support Our Club Kids

Click here to learn more about volunteer opportunities!

Click here to donate and invest in the next generation!

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua | One Positive Place | Nashua, NH 03060 US

Unsubscribe | Update Profile | Constant Contact Data Notice

Constant Contact

Try email marketing for free today!