

## THA Shannon Grant Newsletter

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### Taunton Public Schools No School

Jan. 1 New Year's Day  
Observed  
Jan. 15 Martin Luther  
King Jr. Day  
Observed  
Feb. 19 Presidents' Day  
Observed  
Feb. 20—23  
Winter Break

### Community Center Notice

The Community Center at 51 Paul Bunker Drive will be closed from Monday, December 18, 2023 through Monday, January 1, 2024.

The Cub Scout program will begin for the 2024 session on Monday, January 8, 2024 starting at 3:45 pm and ending at 4:45 pm.

The After School program will resume on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 right after school until 4:45 pm.

### **\*\*FREE SHANNON GRANT FUNDED BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB MEMBERSHIP\*\***

The Boys and Girls Club of Taunton is continuing with the Shannon Grant funded program to provide free memberships to kids ages 10-17 residing in Riverside Apartments starting **WEDNESDAY, February 7, 2024**. This is a 13 week program that ends on Friday, June 7, 2024. The kids taking advantage of this opportunity have:

- Free Transportation 3 days per week. (**Wed, Thurs & Fri**) The kids will be transported directly from their schools. An independent van company will bring the kids back to Paul Bunker. Drop off time is 6:30 pm in front of the Community Center at 51 Paul Bunker Dr.
- Power Hour: Provides homework help and tutoring and encourages members to become self-directed learners.
- New **STEM** Lab: A chance to explore, engage and marvel at the wonders of **S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering & **M**ath in the new computer Lab.
- Other programming: 21st Century for kids in grades 5-7, free swim, various gym games, music, dance, outdoor play, organized tournaments and more.
- Enjoy a healthy meal nightly.

If you are interested in sending your child, please stop by the Community Center at Riverside Apartments 51 Paul Bunker Drive to pick up an application packet on Monday & Tuesday from 12:00 to 4:00 pm or Wednesday from 12:00 to 3:00 pm. If you are unable to come to the office, please call me at **508-315-6194** and I will make arrangements to drop an application off to you. **Deadline to submit an application is WEDNESDAY, January 24, 2024.** \*\*Please note: children involved in this program can go to the Club on Mondays & Tuesdays as well, but parents must provide transportation from the Club home.

**\*\*If your child participated in the Fall '23 Boys and Girls Club program, please call me to let me know as soon as possible if they are going to continue with the Spring '24 program. If they wish to continue, I will not need another application.\*\***



***“Snowflakes are one of nature’s most fragile things, but just look what they can do when they stick together.”***

***-Vesta M. Kelly***



## Community Center Programs

**Cub Scouts** - The Narragansett Council of the Boy Scouts of America holds its Cub Scout school year program for boys and girls in K through Grade 5 on **Mondays** from **3:45 to 4:45 pm**.

**After School Activity**— Kids in K and up can come to the Community Center for organized activities planned for each session. The kids who attend can “borrow” a book from the mini Library then “swap” it for another book the next week. **Tuesdays from 3:30 to 4:45 pm**.

**Teen/Young Adult Job Search** - This program is designed to give teens and young adults the opportunity to access websites that can filter jobs by title, distance, full/part-time and seasonal employment. Those taking advantage will have access to a tablet to identify jobs and be able to apply online as soon as the job is viewed.

**Appointment only.**

**Teen Laundry Program** - The THA has installed a washer and dryer in the Community Center for youth ages 13 to 19 to wash/dry their own laundry.

**Appointment only.**

**Library** - The Community Center has a small Library with books for school age children. Children can stop by the Center after school on **Monday and Tuesday** to borrow a book. Once returned, they can swap it for another one.

## Boys and Girls Club 21st Century Program

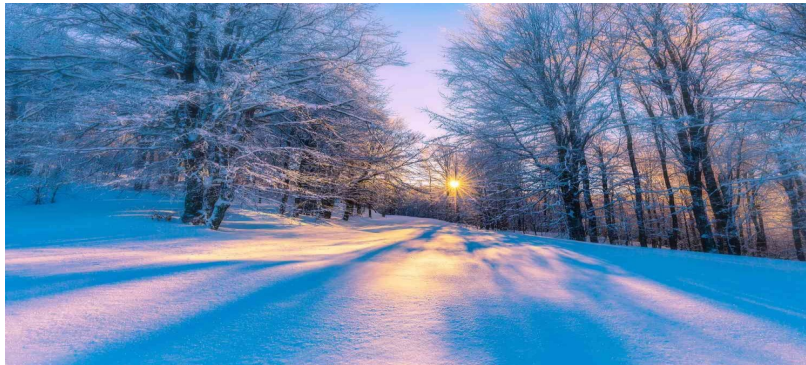
The BGC 21st Century Program is open to Parker Middle School students. This is a teacher-led academic support program. Those enrolled take advantage of:

- Math & Social-Emotional Learning Focus
- All Benefits of Club Membership
- Transportation from School to the Club & from the Club to home Mon through Thurs
- FREE OF COST! LIMITED SPACES!

Contact: Audriana Rivera, 21st Century Community Learning Center Coordinator at: [arivera@bgcmetrosouth.org](mailto:arivera@bgcmetrosouth.org) or 508-824-4341 ext 150

*We will open the book.  
Its pages are blank.  
We are going to put words  
on them ourselves.  
The book is called Opportunity and its  
first chapter is New Year's Day.*

*-Edith Lovejoy Pierce*



## Job Search Websites

Indeed.com  
CareerBuilder.com  
Snagajob.com  
Glassdoor.com  
Ziprecruiter.com  
LinkedIn.com  
USAjobs.gov



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