

The Bugle

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Tears of Joy

by Dave Oyler, Special Projects Director



The Club for Boys has been taking members on fishing trips for over 40 years. These trips have allowed thousands of boys to experience the outdoors

and fall in love with the sport of fishing. Each day during the summer eight boys get to go fishing. With over 400 boys at the Club daily these spots are coveted by the boys.

One boy, Stuart, wanted to go on a fishing trip really bad.

Almost every day when he saw me, he asked when the next fishing trip would be. With only eight spots open a day it can be a long wait until a boy finally gets to go. But that day finally

came for Stuart. He got a fishing trip permission slip and turned it in. He was so excited he asked me all kinds of questions about the trip.

While waiting at the club for all of the boys going on the fishing trip to assemble, I saw Stuart's mom pull up and drop him off. He stood on the curb, with his hands full of supplies, as his mother pulled away. He had his bedroll, a jacket, a fishing pole and some bait.

I then noticed that he started to cry. My first thought was, "Oh boy! This is going to be a long night." I went over to him and said, "If you think you will be homesick and really do not want to go, we will try to call your mom later and she can come and get you." Stuart then said, "Oh no! I am not homesick. I just can't believe I am really going fishing!"

Run with the Boys

Club to host Father's Day 5K Fun Run and Walk

You and your family and friends are all invited to join Club for Boys members and staff for a fun-filled Father's Day morning. The Club for Boys will host a Father's Day 5K Fun Run and Walk on Sunday, June 15.

The morning kicks off with race registration and a kiddie carnival at

8 a.m near Memorial Lake. The race will start at 9 a.m. Following the race, all participants are invited to the Club for a pancake breakfast, door prizes and awards.

You can pick up a registration form at The Club for Boys or print one out at www.theclubforboys.com. Register before June 10 to take advantage of the early bird rate: adults \$17, kids



\$7 or family \$30. Proceeds from the Father's Day 5K Fun Run and Walk benefit The Club for Boys summer program.

For more information about the 5K visit the Club's website or call 343-3500.

Profile of a Foundation Enthusiast



In his office at Toyota of the Black Hills, Kevin Randall stands beside an autographed basketball and picture of famous UCLA basketball coach, John Wooden, whom he met a few years ago.

“The best thing about the Club for Boys is the fact that it gives boys opportunities that they can find in no other place. The staff is very committed to the boys. I’m impressed that the staff really wants to be there—it’s not just a job,” commented Kevin Randall in an interview in his office. Kevin has long been a generous supporter of the Club for Boys and the Club for Boys Foundation.

Kevin Randall was born and grew up in Milbank, SD. He was the fifth

of seven children that included four boys and three girls. His siblings are now living in seven different states and Kevin is currently the family’s sole South Dakota representative.

Kevin’s immediate family consists of three daughters and one granddaughter:

Jennifer and her daughter, Kassie, live in Orlando, Florida; Erica lives in Rapid City; and Natalie is in college in Mankato, Minn. Kevin’s recent marriage to Katherine Maguire, expanded his family to include a son, Michael, who is at St. Thomas More.

In 1983, Kevin came to Rapid City when he and Frank Stinson bought Rapid Chevrolet from John and Carole Hilliard. From 1983 through 2007, he owned

companies in Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota and South Dakota. Now his ownership of companies is concentrated in Rapid Chevrolet and Toyota of the Black Hills.

Fishing, hunting and golf are at the top of Kevin’s most preferred pastime list. His favorite fishing hole is the Missouri River and he has a place north of Pierre near Little Bend where he does most of his hunting and fishing.

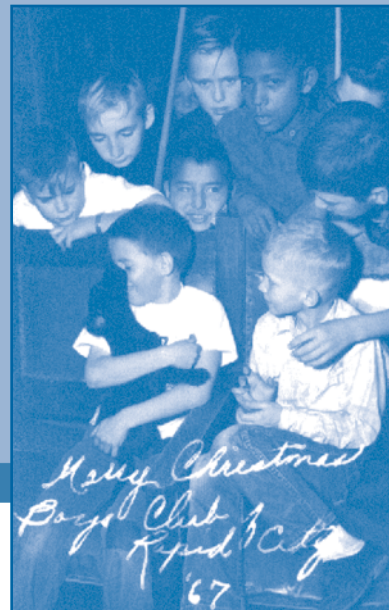
From 1985 through 1993, Kevin was a member of the Club for Boys Board of Directors. When asked about a highlight of his time at the Club, Kevin chuckled, “Phone calls from Dave always needing or wanting this and that.” Kevin also recalled working on the Christmas tree lot and trying to get the Thrift Store started.

Kevin was on the Board of the Club for Boys Foundation from 2002 through 2007 and served as its first president for four of those years. He believes that giving to the Club for Boys Foundation is critical. “The Foundation’s endowment is the future of the Club. Having the endowment helps to take out the highs and lows of raising funds. There will always be a need to raise funds, but the endowment is a reliable source of funds for our necessities. It’s just like the name implies: it’s the foundation of the Club.”

For Information about The Club for Boys Foundation, contact Sara Gentry at 343-3500.

A look back at The Club for Boys history.

The first Boys Club in Rapid City was opened at the old Train Depot on Eight Street on November 23, 1963. This photo was taken of a group of boys and the Club's pet dog, Wiener, that year. In 1967, a supporter of the Club had the photo enlarged and gave it to the Club's executive director, Roger Erickson, as a gift. The photo reads, "Merry Christmas Boys Club of Rapid City '67."



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Our Schedule

May:

May 22-30 Club Closed

June:

June 2 Summer Program Begins
June 13 Father's Day Luncheon and Afternoon Fun
June 15 Father's Day 5K Fun Run and Walk
June 20 Hawaiian Luau

July:

July 3 Independence Day Balloon Stomp
July 4 Club Closed
July 25 Summer Jam Talent Show

August:

August 1 Club Closed
August 8 Boat Races
August 22 Water War, Dunk the Staff and Back to School Carnival
August 22 Last Day of Summer Program

