



## Fort Smith Boys and Girls Club

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Website: <a href="https://www.fsbgc.org">www.fsbgc.org</a> Please visit for updated

calendar information

Facebook: Fort Smith Boys & Girls Clubs Fort Smith Boys & Girls Clubs Alumni & Friends





Jeffrey Boys & Girls Club 4905 North "O" Street – 782-8126 (near Kimmons Middle School) Currently closed due to renovation



**Goldtrap Boys & Girls Club** 8800 South Dallas – 452-5779 (near Chaffin Middle School)



Evans Boys & Girls Club 6015 Boys Club Lane – 646-9519 (near Beard Elementary) Current home of Admin offfice



Stephens Boys & Girls Club 3101 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street – 782-6392 (near Trusty Elementary School)

### **Key Contacts:**

**Stephens Director** 

Executive Director — Beth Presley - bpresley@fsbgc.org
Director of Operations — Jason Morland - jmorland@fsbgc.org

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- Fatima Jones - fjones@fsbgc.org

Goldtrap Director – Yvonne Blackmon - rblackmon@fsbgc.org

Office Manager – Arlyn Bates - abates@fsbgc.org

Admin. Assistant – Rhonda Murphy – rmurphy@fsbgc.org



Hunts Park 3000 Dodson Avenue (near Creekmore Park)

### MISSION

The Fort Smith Boys & Girls Club (FSBGC) mission is to help youth of all backgrounds develop qualities to become responsible citizens and leaders. Through our association with Boys & Girls Clubs of America, we seek to enhance the quality of life for the youth of our community.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Anyone between the ages 6 - 18 can become a member. The FSBGC is a drop-in youth service organizations where members have opportunities for recreation, healthy competition, new friendships, supervised activities and interactions with adult staff and volunteers. The FSBGC does not assume any responsibility in the time or manner in which members arrive or leave our facilities or properties.

#### COSTS

Annual membership cards are required and the cost is kept low so that all kids can afford to join. Membership cards (\$20) are valid from the time or purchase until the end of the calendar year (Dec. 31). Membership fees are non-refundable. Activity fees (\$ 25) are charged for major sports, shuttle (per semester), and the Summer program. Some added feeds may apply for field trips and special events. The FSBGC will not allow cost to prevent anyone from participating. Visitors may purchase a one-day pass for \$3 during school hours or \$5 during summer.

### **HOURS OF OPERATION / PROGRAMS**

Clubs are open after-school Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. till 7 p.m. Clubs are open 8 a.m. till 5 p.m. during the Summer. Clubs are closed on Sundays year round. FSBGC members have gone from the Club house to the State house, from the game room to the corporate board room, from high school sports to professional stadiums. The Club uses recognized programs that address pressing youth issues. Programs include: mentoring, tutoring, field trips, major sports (basketball, soccer, baseball, cheer, football, golf), literary arts, photography, music instruction, STEM, Youth of the Year, Keystone Club, Torch Club, Junior Staff, Smart Leadership, College Scholarships, WAEDA jobs for teens, Power Hour, Triple Play, Arts & Crafts, Talent Shows, Anti-bullying, Smart Girls, and guest speakers.

### **VOLUNTEERS / PARTNERSHIPS**

More than 400 volunteers serve the organization. Interested individuals must complete a volunteer application and authorized background check. The FSBGC is a proud agency member of the United Way. Other partners include: BGCA, Babe Ruth Baseball, Fort Smith Public Schools, Future School, UAFS, Cox Communications, Savers, American Legion, City of Fort Smith, River Valley Food Bank, New Covenant Feeding program, Step Up Speak Out, Optimist Club, Community Clearinghouse, Antioch for Family & Youth, Fort Smith Youth Baseball & Softball, etc.

### **FSBGC BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Travis Beshears **Dwight Curry** Michael Hadley Eddie Lee Herndon George McGill Joe D. Powers Bennie Westphal

Lyn Caselman Dallas Forsgren William J. Hanna Billy Higgins Roger Meek Jr. John Rausch Robert A Young III

William J. Cooper Andre' Good Drew Harmon **Hugh Maurras** Amy Mendenhall Sam T Sicard

Carl D. Corley Dr. Cole Goodman Jim Harwood **Buddy McMahon Dalton Person** Lee Smith

## **FSBGC HISTORY**

1928 - Club originates at Judge Parker's courthouse

1930 - Fort Smith Boys Club officially incorporated

1941 - Wheeler Club dedicated

1947 – Hunts Park dedicated

1957 – Jeffrey Club dedicated (50th & Kinkead)

1966 - Evans Club dedicated

1978 – Jeffrey Club relocated (50th & North "O" Street)

1980 - Wheeler Club closed

1981 – Stephens Club dedicated

1991 - Alumni & Friends Association established

1993 - Goldtrap Club dedicated

1997 – Stephens Club rededicated (rebuilt after tornado)

1999 – Named change to Fort Smith Boys & Girls Club

2004 – Evans Club rededicated (renovation & expansion)

2019 - Hunts Park Renovation project

2022 - Jerry Glidewell retired - Beth Presley named CEO

2022 - Groundbreaking on Glidewell-Jeffrey Club

### **ALUMNI & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION BOARD**

Randy Bittle Patty Cox Tony Jones Hank Needham Dr. Jim Saviers Wilson Ward

Kent Blochberger Eric Burnett Marlin Fretheim Randy Milam Jim Petty Dr. David Staggs Rodney West

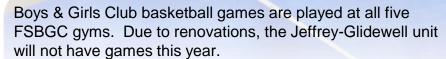
Billy Higgins Joey McCutchen **Emily Pressley** Judge Steve Tabor **Darren Wyatt** 



## **Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Fort Smith**

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The FSBGC cheer program takes place during the basketball season. The participants cheer at the halftime of the basketball games.



# January 2023



| SUN            | MON                       | TUE  | WED | THU | FRI | SAT                          |
|----------------|---------------------------|--|-----|-----|-----|------------------------------|
| New Year's Day | New Year's Day<br>Holiday | FSBGC College<br>Scholarship applications<br>available | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7                            |
| 8              | 9                         | 10   | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14                           |
| 15             | 16<br>M L King Day        | 17   | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21                           |
| 22             | 23                        | 24   | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28                           |
| 29             | 30                        | 31   | 1   | 2   | 3   | United Way Community Partner |



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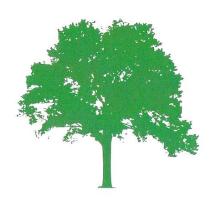


# February 2023



| SUN | MON             | TUE  | WED | THU | FRI | SAT                          |
|-----|-----------------|--|-----|-----|-----|------------------------------|
|     |                 |  | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4                            |
|     |                 | FSBCC College<br>Scholarship applications<br>available |     |     |     |                              |
| 5   | 6               | 7  | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11                           |
| 12  | 13              | 14 Valentine's Day                                     | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18                           |
| 19  | Presidents' Day | 21   | 22  | 23  | 24  | 25                           |
| 26  | 27              | 28   | 1   | 2   | 3   | United Way Community Partner |





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"Keep your face always toward the sunshine, and shadows will fall behind you."

### — Walt Whitman

## March 2023

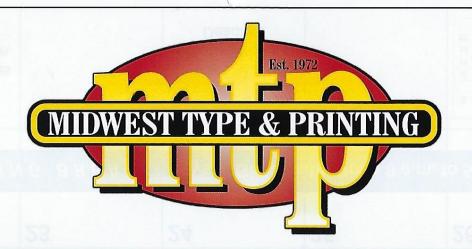


| SUN                  | MON   | TUE  | WED       | THU             | FRI               | SAT                                      |
|----------------------|-------|--|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|--|
|                      |       | FSBGC College<br>Scholarship applications<br>available | 1         | 2               | 3                 | 4  |
| 5                    | 6     | 7  | 8         | 9               | 10                | 11                                       |
| 12  Daylight Savings | 13    | 14   | 15        | 16              | St. Patrick's Day | 18                                       |
| 19                   | 20    | 21<br>g Break  | 22        | 23<br>n 8 am to | 24                | 25                                       |
|                      | appin | g break  | rabut ope | noam 65         | o pm              |  |
| 26                   | 27    | 28   | 29        | 30              | 31                | LIVE UNITED United Way Community Partner |

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# **April 2023**



| SUN                    | MON   | TUE | WED | THU | FRI                     | SAT                          |
|------------------------|---|-----|-----|-----|-------------------------|------------------------------|
|                        |   |     |     |     |                         | 1                            |
| 2                      | FSEGC College 3<br>Scholarship<br>applications are<br>due | 4   | 5   | 6   | <b>7</b><br>Good Friday | 8                            |
| <b>9</b> Easter Sunday | 10  | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14                      | 15                           |
| 16                     |   | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21                      | 22                           |
| 23                     | 24  | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28                      | 29                           |
| 30                     | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5                       | United Way Community Partner |



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# May 2023



| SUN          | MON                          | TUE | WED | THU                     | FRI                  | SAT                           |
|--------------|------------------------------|-----|-----|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
|              | 1                            | 2   | 3   | 4                       | 5                    | 6                             |
|              |                              |     |     |                         | Cinco de Mayo        |                               |
| 7            |                              | 9   | 10  | 11                      | 12                   | 13                            |
| Mother's Day | 15                           | 16  | 17  | Southside<br>Graduation | Northside graduation | 20                            |
| 21           | 22                           | 23  | 24  | 25                      | 26                   | 27                            |
| 28           | Memorial Day<br>Clubs Closed | 30  | 31  | 1                       | 2                    | United Way  Community Partner |







Annual FSBGC Alumni & Friends Golf tourney













"I have learned over the years that when one's mind is made up, this diminishes fear; knowing what must be done does away with fear."

— Rosa Parks



## **June 2023**

| SUN             | MON           | TUE | WED | THU | FRI  | SAT                           |
|-----------------|---------------|-----|-----|-----|--|-------------------------------|
|                 |               |     |     | 1   | Clubs Open 8-5<br>Summer<br>Program Begins | 3                             |
| 4               | 5             | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9  | 10                            |
| 11              | 12            | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16   | 17                            |
| 18 Father's Day | 19 Juneteenth | 20  | 21  | 22  | 23   | 24                            |
| 25              | 26            | 27  | 28  | 29  | 30   | United Way  Community Partner |





Donated items to Savers benefit the Fort Smith Boys & Girls Club.













# **July 2023**



| SUN | MON | TUE                 | WED | THU | FRI | SAT                                      |
|-----|-----|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|--|
|     |     |                     |     |     |     | 1  |
| 2   | 3   | Independence<br>Day | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8  |
| 9   | 10  | 11                  | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15                                       |
| 16  |     | 18                  | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22                                       |
| 23  | 24  | 25                  | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29                                       |
| 30  | 31  | 1                   | 2   | 3   | 4   | LIVE UNITED United Way Community Partner |



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# August 2023



| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT                          |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------------------------|
|     |     | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5                            |
| 6   | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12                           |
| 13  | 14  | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18  | 19                           |
| 20  | 21  |     | 23  | 24  | 25  | 26                           |
| 27  | 28  | 29  | 30  | 31  | 1   | United Way Community Partner |

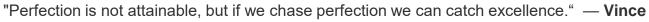














# September 2023



| SUN | MON                       | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT                                      |
|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
|     |                           |     |     |     | 1   | 2  |
| 3   | Labor Day<br>Clubs Closed | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9  |
| 10  | 11                        | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16                                       |
| 17  | 18                        | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22  | 23                                       |
| 24  | 25                        | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29  | LIVE UNITED United Way Community Partner |





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## October 2023



| SUN | MON                      | TUE             | WED | THU | FRI | SAT                           |
|-----|--------------------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|-------------------------------|
| 1   | 2                        | 3               | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7                             |
| 8   | <b>9</b><br>Columbus Day | 10              | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14                            |
| 15  | 16                       | 17              | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21                            |
| 22  | 23                       | 24              | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28                            |
| 29  | 30                       | 31<br>Halloween | 1   | 2   | 3   | United Way  Community Partner |



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#### PROMISE YOURSELF

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind. To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet. To make all your friends feel that there is something in them. To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true. To think only of the best, to work only for the best, and to expect only the best. To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own. To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future. To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile. To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others. To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.



## Thank you to our wonderful volunteers, partners and sponsors!













"What lies behind you and what lies in front of you, pales in comparison to what lies inside of you." — Ralph Waldo Emerson



## November 2023

| SUN                           | MON               | TUE               | WED               | THU                           | FRI             | SAT                          |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
|                               |                   |                   | 1                 | 2                             | 3               | 4                            |
| Daylight Savings<br>Time Ends | 6                 | 7                 | 8                 | 9                             | 10              | <b>11</b> Veterans Day       |
| 12                            | 13                | 14                | 15                | 16                            | 17              | 18                           |
| 19                            | Clubs Open<br>8-5 | Clubs Open<br>8-5 | Clubs Open<br>8-5 | Thanksgiving Day Clubs Closed | 24 Clubs Closed | 25                           |
| 26                            | 27                | 28                | 29                | 30                            | 1               | United Way Community Partner |



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2023 Alumni & Friends membership drive now underway











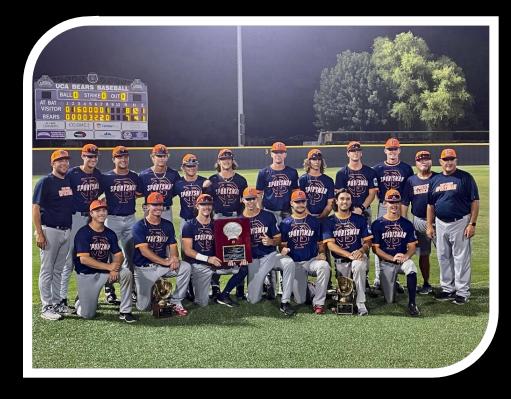


## December 2023



| SUN           | MON       | TUE             | WED             | THU                 | FRI             | SAT                           |
|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
|               |           |                 |                 |                     | 1               | 2                             |
| 3             | 4         | 5               | 6               | Pearl Harbor<br>Day | 8               | 9                             |
| 10            | 11        | 12              | 13              | 14                  | 15              | 16                            |
| 17            | 18        | 19              | 20              | Clubs Open 8 -5     | 22              | 23                            |
| 24            | 25        | 26              | 27              | 28                  | 29              | 30                            |
| Christmas Eve | Christmas | Clubs Open 8 -5 | Clubs Open 8 -5 | Clubs Open 8 -5     | Clubs Open 8 -5 |                               |
| 31            | 1         | 2               | 3               | 4                   | 5               | United Way  Community Partner |





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