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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF BUFFALO MEMBERS TO LEARN THE IMPORTANCE OF FIRE and FIREWORK SAFETY

Buffalo, NY June 21, 2007 – Boys & Girls Clubs of Buffalo (BGCB) Members are learning fire safety from the experts.



Firefighters from The Buffalo Fire Department sparked conversation with our members and discussed fire prevention and safety at our Southside Site, located at the St. Thomas Aquinas Church, 17 Tamarack St., Buffalo, NY 14220. A fire truck was on-site for members' enjoyment.

"It's very important that we keep today's youth safe"

states Diane L. Rowe, Chief Professional Officer, Boys & Girls Clubs of Buffalo, "Young people may not know what to do in a fire and are usually very scared. Unfortunately, this can lead to injuries and sometimes death. We're happy the firefighters have taken the time to come out and help keep our members safe."

Other BGCB sites participated in other activities that taught them the importance of not only fire safety, but also firework safety. Members, ages 5-9 years old, participated in a contest for the best picture that promotes firework safety. 10-13 year olds researched fire safety and found different facts about fireworks, while Teen members conducted group discussions about firework laws and usage or fireworks. For more information, contact Rebecca Rowe, Director of Programs and Specialized Services at (716) 825-1016 ext. 216.

About Boys & Girls Clubs of Buffalo

Our Mission is to provide appropriate and diversified programs and activities that serve to attract and hold area youth to the Clubhouse. We provide environments that teach children the skills needed to build positive lives, attitudes, and behaviors. Boys & Girls Clubs of Buffalo has been an integral part of Western New York for over 80 years. Its 16 locations provide services to over 9,000 boys and girls, ages 6-18, in the key areas of Character & Leadership, Education & Career Development, Health & Life-skills, The Arts and Sports, Fitness & Recreation.

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