

Stanton Community Club

Youth Development Committee

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Stanton Community Club's (SCC) Youth Development Committee's (YDC), first chairman - Brad Johnson, inception came from a need for the Stanton Baseball Softball Association (SBSA) to have a organization that would sponsor and help with financial considerations. The SBSA a stand alone organization at its inception in 1995 was raising funds to help fund its projects and organization. SBSA was launched by Dee Dee Anglin and other parents that wished to take on the whole summer baseball/softball program because of the city of Stanton's wish to divest themselves of the 10 and under program.

A vehicle was sought in which to store the funds for this organization. A presentation was made to the community club to assist this SBSA in doing that, SCC voted that a committee be formed for Youth Development (YDC) and that committee's job was to offer whatever assistance the SBSA needed to help make their program a success. SBSA's only obligation to SCC was to make a yearly report on the program - in numbers of children in the program and the funds that were raised and the funds that were spent by the program. The YDC made such a presentation yearly for about 5 years.

A change in the leadership of SBSA, one that wished for SBSA to be standing alone in 2001 caused the SBSA to form an organizational umbrella. This did not end Stanton Youth Development Committee, it actually strengthened. Due to this change in direction by SBSA, an old member of SBSA board of directors, Bob Meyer, discussed with Youth Development Chairman, Brad Johnson, together they pitched their ideas for a bigger and better Youth Development Committee one that would extend its arm of support to all Youths in Stanton, to all programs that support Youth in Stanton to the members of SCC. Their idea was to challenge all youth to get involved in their community by offering Community Service, from this point forward Stanton Youth Development began its positive impact on Stanton and its youth. Bob Meyer became the chairman of YDC.

Bob Meyer, a current board member of SBSA. A tireless promoter of Stanton and seeing Stanton's potential to attract new families by having a successful

organizational umbrella for all youth activities. Bob is involved in many youth activities and is well known for his ability to coordinate events with a professional flare. Bob has coordinated for SCC the Spaghetti Feed, Fish Fry; For SBSA he has coordinated Pancake Feed, Fish Fry, Youth Baseball Tournament, IBP Basketball Tournament, IBP Picnic; For YDC he coordinated youth girls basketball, youth flag football, youth volleyball camp. Bob's family also is involved in his community service life, daughters Shayla, Alyssa, Jasmine & Sons – Gary & Brodie all take an active part of completing their ownership of the Youth Development Committee. Bob currently serves on the City Advisory Committee for the Stanton City Council.

Brian Nordby a current board member of the SBSA was looking to branch out in the Stanton Community by becoming active outside of SBSA and became an official member of SCC and the YDC in 2001 and has taken on many challenges for both YDC and SCC. He has taken on many of the successful youth programs as chairperson or financial advisor. He currently coordinates youth boys basketball, youth wrestling & is a member of the oversight committee for Stanton youth football. With one Nordby you actually get the whole bunch – not only does Brian & Kathy Nordby believe in giving back to their community they ensure that the torch is passed amongst the rest of the Nordby family as Elizabeth, Derek, Grant & Jeb offer their time and talent as needed to the SCC & YDC programs and/or events. Brian is currently a member of the Stanton Public Schools Board of Education, serving as treasurer. Brian currently serves on the City Advisory Committee for the City Council.

Cindy Krentz is a member of the SBSA and has been a longtime member of the Stanton Community, helping out with AYSO Soccer for a number of years. Cindy joined SCC and YDC in 2002 she bring her organizational skills to the committee and has been very instrumental in the development in Stanton Youth Football Program. She is very active in YDC's youth basketball, wrestling and football programs. Cindy and her family are a very welcomed addition to the committee because of their willingness to participate and coordinate the many programs and efforts that are attempted by the Stanton Community Club's Youth Development Committee. Cindy's family is also heavily involved in all youth activities, husband Scott, 2 sons Adam & Joshua are a family that believes in community service to their community learning early on about its impact on our youth. Cindy currently serves on SBSA board of directors.

YDC sends a challenge out to the youth of Stanton and other youth organizations:

YDC developed a strategy to take the funding from fund raisers and "giving it out" for community service projects. The idea (see guidelines attached from 2002) simply stated is to have the students do the work they would normally do, on a project they wish to complete and besides having the satisfaction of completing their project they also get a bonus, money to purchase whatever they wish for

whatever they want. The only catch - we do not give cash on Community Service Projects - we purchase whatever you identify - but NO CASH.

YDC takes a role in raising funds for its projects:

YDC chairman, Bob Meyer, brought with him the HOLIDAY HAMS idea that had been working for years with SBSA and committed this project to the YDC for use of funding its projects.

YDC member, Brian Nordby, is the sole distributor in Northeast Nebraska of "STANTON FLAGS" , not only do we sell to Stanton but also have the ability to sell to other schools interested in purchasing these flags from us and re-selling to their schools.

YDC most recently brought the idea of a "Texas Hold-Em" tournament, because of the popularity of this game in the Country. YDC now partners with SBSA to bring a series of these tournaments to Stanton - funding is used to further YDC Community Service Projects.

YDC expands its role by expanding & sponsoring programs for youth:

In 2001 Bob Meyer coordinated Stanton Flag Football Program. After the original donation of programs assets to YDC by the former coordinator, Dan Molacek, the program flourished.

In 2002 Stanton Youth Girls Basketball was headed by Bob Meyer. Bob asked that this organization become part of the YDC so that it too would have the backing of the SCC and also provide a way to "give back" to worthy causes for the Stanton Youth Girls Basketball Program.

In 2003 Stanton Boys Basketball was headed by Brian Nordby. Brian asked that this organization become part of YDC, so that it could offer the same types of programs as the girl's basketball program.

In 2003 Stanton Junior Wrestling elected Brian Nordby as the auditor for their books. Brian asked that the YDC include youth wrestling to its YDC umbrella. It also offers a way to "give back" to worthy causes for the Stanton High School & Jr. High Wrestling.

In 2004 YDC was challenged to bring a tackle football program to Stanton. In the fall of 2004 that program came to be and is currently moving into its 2nd year. With the inception of YDC - Tackle Football program - Stanton has mothballed the Flag Football Program.

YDC Gives Back to Youth through Community Service Projects and other identified causes:

First Community service Project: Stanton Senior & Juniors Baseball Team paints the historical school house brought in to Stanton. Status: \$500.00 was used to purchased needed equipment

Second Community Service Project: Stanton Girl Scouts were recognized for performing good deeds on the triangle located in the crossroads in Stanton Status: \$250.00 was pledged to Girls Scouts organization, currently held in a pledged account and has not been taken out by the organization.

Third Community Service Project: Pool Sliders provided a structured plan for a slippery slide at Stanton's Public Swimming Pool. The sliders made presentation of Community Service Project to YDC and at the conclusion of all fund raisers will write a check to the Slippery Slide Company for purchase of the slide. Status: \$500.00 was pledged and the Pool Sliders organization has not completed its Community Service Project to the point where the slides are ready to be purchased.

other identified causes: YDC has given donations of products to organizations that promote a positive atmosphere for the learning and growing of youth in Stanton.

- Stanton High School One Act Play Performances (3 years)
- Donated 2 Stanton Flags signed by the performers & crew sold at auction for \$60 plus providing hams for raffle to raise funds for their performances.
- Provided back-up funding for Stanton Youth Football during their time of completion of ideas and purchasing items of need to complete the program.
- Library – Funded summer reading program - \$350.00 (2004 & 2005); purchased books for the summer reading program
- One Act Play
- DARE Program – Funded \$300.00 (2002-2005) for purchase of materials
- Art Program – donated \$100.00 plus materials for community service project – (Face Painting)
- Student Senate blood drive - Hams & Hamburger – provided 60 pounds of pork 2005
- Senior Post Prom Chili Feed – provided chili and other items for the feed 2005
- YDC members provided Auction items for Stanton Fall Activities Banquet – provided a signed football Helmet from Stanton's Runner-Up Class C-2 Championship Football Team - \$2600. Also auctioned off 2 signed Stanton Flags one for \$125.00 and other for \$75.00. Splitting the proceeds with Stanton Booster Club. Total of \$2800 split by the organizations.
- Music booster Soup Supper – provided 80 lbs of hamburger for project
- Teen dances – sponsored at the High School in 2003 & 2004
- Sponsor – Christmas Santa Claus Day 2001-2004; roller skating, kids movie, face painting
- Easter Egg Hunt 2001 – 2004

- 4th of July – Sponsor – Old fashioned kids games
 - crafts
 - face painting
 - 4th of July Poker Walk Sponsor at Maskenthine Lake
- Post Prom – donation of concession stand proceeds at the YDC Boys Basketball Tournament in exchange for providing referee's and concessions workers as a fund raiser for post prom. Post Prom 2005 - \$1500.00.

YDC give back to their community:

YDC Scholarship – A \$500.00 scholarship for any Stanton Public Schools student that provides community service. The student with the most community service hours at the end of their senior year, is the winner of the scholarship. Announced at commencement, a plaque will be hung in the High School recognizing the winner of each year's award.

YDC Girls/Boys Basketball – 2005 purchased a new video camera for the High School for use by all Stanton Basketball Programs. 2005 Purchased a new set of basketballs for both the boys and girls high school & junior high programs. Girls Basketball purchased a shot helper device for the girl's basketball program. Boys Basketball purchased a rebounding rim for boy's basketball.

YDC – Youth Football – 2005 purchased up to \$500.00 for any item needed by Stanton High/Jr High Football program. Item not identified yet.

YDC Youth Football Scholarships – up to \$500.00 for any single student that provides community service to the program by giving of their time and talent as a coach/referee or other support to the Stanton Youth Football Program. This year 4 scholarships will be given.