



# BGC Kids News

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## HEAD HONCHO TONY TRIPP

**B**GC Kids News talked to Tony Tripp, Director of Operations for the Boys & Girls Club, while he was spending three months as the Club's interim executive director.

**BGC Kids News:** How long have you been at the Boys & Girls Club of San Pedro?  
**Tripp:** I've been here for 10 years

**BGC Kids News:** What is the hardest part of your job?

**Tripp:** The hardest part of my job is keeping in contact with all the people who work at all the sites; I'm in charge of everybody, not just here in San Pedro but Wilmington and at all the schools - we have 17 Boys & Girls Clubs.

**BGC Kids News:** How do you run the club?  
**Tripp:** By setting the vision and tone of how we should be running the program and also how we present that to the community. I



tell your site directors, like Rudi, what they should be doing and the programs they should be running.

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## PRESSFRIENDS COME TO BCGLAH

**A**ttention all fourth and fifth graders! Want a chance to be published in **BGC Kids News**? Then join PressFriends' teen mentors for fun writing workshops. You can write on whatever you want (age-appropriate, please), and that means writing about all the great activities at the Boys and Girls Club, assemblies or field trips at your school, your favorite books, movies, television shows, and music, or informational articles on pet care, cooking, fashion, video games, and more. Be sure to join us the next time PressFriends are at the club! ❖



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## MEET MS. RUDI

Who is the best Site Director? Ms. Rudi! We interviewed Rudi Sepulveda, who puts together the great programs at the Boys & Girls Club.

**BGC Kids News:** What kind of activities does BGC offer?

**Sepulveda:** Academics, arts, and athletics.

**BGC Kids News:** When did you start this job?

**Sepulveda:** I started working for the club four years

ago in November. I became the Site Director two years ago.

**BGC Kids News:** What do you do every day?

**Sepulveda:** I make sure that we have fun programs for kids of all ages to enjoy.

**BGC Kids News:** What do you like most about your job?

**Sepulveda:** I enjoy working with the community. I also like that we have the free-

dom to plan all types of programs that benefit the kids of San Pedro.

**BGC Kids News:** Why do you like your job?

**Sepulveda:** I like my job, because even though it is hard work, it is always fun.

**BGC Kids News:** What don't you like about your job?

**Sepulveda:** Nothing. I love it all!

*By Vanessa and Skylar*



Reporter Vanessa with Ms. Rudi

## MIDDLE SCHOOL MASTER: MR. LEOMAR

Did you every want to know what's on the other side of the glass doors in the Club? Here's your chance to find out. We talked to Leomar Ignacio, the Program Director for the Middle School Center.

**BGC Kids News:** What is it like on the middle school side?

**Ignacio:** It is fun, bright, plenty of members.

**BGC Kids News:** What do you like best about the club?

**Ignacio:** The members and staff.

**BGC Kids News:** Do you have a favorite program?

**Ignacio:** Torch clubs.

**BGC Kids News:** How long have you been working here?

**Ignacio:** 10 years.

**BGC Kids News:** What's your favorite sport?

**Ignacio:** Football and volleyball.

*By Ezekiel*



Leomar Ignacio and reporter Ezekiel

## BGC'S FILM DIRECTOR—ALEX MONITA

Have you ever wanted to make a movie? When you get into middle school, the Boys & Girls Teen Center has a great filmmaking program run by Alex Monita.

**BGC Kids News:** What kind of equipment do you use?

**Monita:** We use cameras, lights and microphones, just like the pros!

**BGC Kids News:** How can we see the movies the club members have made?

**Monita:** We have a YouTube channel and it is Subculture Studios.

**BGC Kids News:** How do you edit the videos?

**Monita:** We take the best parts of the videos and edit them on the computers.

**BGC Kids News:** When did you get involved in film?

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From left: Mentor Jacky D., reporter Yvette P., and Alex Monita

## MAKING MUSIC WITH ALEX RYAN



Reporters Adrian (l) and Carson (r) with Alex Ryan

**D**o you love music, theater, acting or all of the above? If you do, we are lucky to have Alex Ryan who works in the Teen Center on music production and acting.

**BGC Kids News:** What do you do at the club?

**Ryan:** I'm the Recording Arts Coordinator and on top of working with music production and engineering I also teach Improv and help coordinate our weekly podcasts.

**BGC Kids News:** What is your favorite program at the club?

**Ryan:** My favorite program is Improv because I believe it helps our students learn to be free and express themselves in a positive way.

**BGC Kids News:** Have you ever met a movie star?

**Ryan:** Mark Whalberg

**BGC Kids News:** Have you ever filmed a movie?

**Ryan:** I've worked on student films at El Camino Community College in Torrance and at Cal State Long Beach.

**BGC Kids News:** Have you been in a movie?

**Ryan:** I started acting at El Camino and did some projects on stage and on film while I was there.

**BGC Kids News:** What's your favorite part about acting?

**Ryan:** I like getting a script and really putting myself in the shoes of the character and figuring out how to relate myself to the role. Like getting a script.

**BGC Kids News:** What advice would you give someone who wants to be an actor?

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## BGC'S AWESOME COACH ELMER



Elmer Melendez with reporter Martin

**W**e are lucky that we have indoor soccer here at the club, Coach Elmer helped come up with the idea to make the basketball court into a soccer field.

**BGC Kids News:** How long have you been working at the Club?

**Melendez:** I have been working at the Boys and Girls Club since I was a junior in high school. Now I'm a senior at Cal State Long Beach, so I've been here for 5 years.

**BGC Kids News:** Does BGC also play regular soccer?

**Melendez:** We use

Daniels field, but we wanted club members to experience a new sport, which is indoor soccer.

**BGC Kids News:** Does your team compete with other teams?

**Melendez:** Yes, we have in-house leagues, with a total of four teams for elementary school teams. At times, we have friendly matches against other Boys and Girls Clubs. We are actually the two-times champions on the All-Star tournament for elementary and middle schools, and we finished second on last year's for our Bidy division.

**BGC Kids News:** What sports do you coach?

**Melendez:** A little bit of everything, but my specialty is soccer.

**BGC Kids News:** What is your favorite sport to play?

**Melendez:** Soccer.

**BGC News:** What do you like best about working at the club?

**Melendez:** Giving back to the Boys and Girls Club. As a child, I did not have all the opportunities that we provide to kids, and just watching the smile from an accomplished child fills my heart with joy.

*By Martin*

## MS. JAHAIRA'S URBAN ARTS

If you like our arts and crafts program at the Club, there's more to come when we get into middle school. *BGC News* talked to the Teen Center arts coordinator, Jahaira Colon.

**BGC Kids News:** Do you like to paint?

**Colon:** Actually i don't paint, I'm not very good at it. I know it sounds strange. Most people think that my title is an ART coordinator but it isn't. It's an ARTS coordinator. I specialize in Urban Arts, Music, song writing, spoken word poetry, Prop Building/ Set design, Graffiti, photography, fashion, etc.

**BGC Kids News:** What do you like about art?

**Colon:** I love that you can create anything that comes to your mind. In art, elephants can be blue and the sky can be purple if that's how you envision it.

**BGC Kids News:** Do you love doing art here?

**Colon:** Yes, absolutely. It's nice to see the kids getting involved. I also love seeing all the different variations of expression.

**BGC News:** What do you like best about being an artist?

**Colon:** I love imagining what i'm going to make and then trying to make it exactly as i imagined it.

**BGC News:** What is your most fun project?

**Colon:** The paper Doll Couture Project. I feel that it gave the club a whole new idea of ART. My goal is definitely to introduce our kids to a whole new world of expression through Urban Arts.

**BGC News:** What made you decide to do this?

**Colon:** To be honest, I'm very hyper by nature so i spent a lot of my time creating as a child. It was a passion that i never lost. In fact, as i got older i got more creative. .



Reporter Fibiana, Art Teacher Jahaira, and reporters Jazzlyn and Alexis

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## CHEERLEADING TIPS

Cheerleading is very hard work. After being in Diamond Cheerleading for one year, I learned you need to be flexible to do the splits and cartwheels.

You have to learn teamwork by being able to support others. My friend and I were getting ready to do the pyramid and my other best friend got unbalanced and fell, My friend and I caught her before she fell hard, We felt good, and she was relieved not to have gotten hurt.

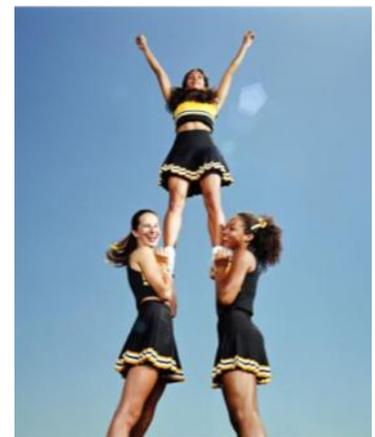
In cheerleading, we wear cute uniforms. They

match with our lovely pom-poms, and the outfits aren't warm so don't worry about the uniforms being too hot in the summer.

To be a good cheer-

leader, you need to be at practice every day; you don't want to miss anything. Cheerleading is tons of fun.

By Ava



## Short story: THE PRINCESS & THE WITCH



There once lived a princess and she was the most beautiful girl in the world.

One day, there came a witch that hated everyone but she hated the princess the most.

The witch tried to put a spell on the princess, but the bad news for her was that her spell made the princess even more beautiful.

Then, the King sent his daughter to their secret hide-away palace, so the witch couldn't find her.

The royal family was unaware that the Witch always knew where the palace was. She arrived at the Princess' palace and she went to door and the Princess came out.

The evil witch was holding a basket with one poisonous apple that she planned to give the Princess. The Princess had seen the witch before and knew who she was.

The princess thought, "why is she being so nice?" She thought it might be her secret plan.

So the princess looked into a basket, and she noticed a very obvious, green, poisonous apple and a normal red one.

As soon as the witch offered her the green apple, she quickly took the red apple.

Unknowingly, the Witch ate the poisoned one. The witch fell into a deep sleep and wouldn't wake for ages. The princess was happy because she finally was to safe to go back to her village.

By Liliana



## Short story: VALENTINE PRINCESS CURSE

Once upon a time there was a princess named Eloese.

Eloese knew Valentine's Day was coming soon so she bought a nice red dress. She bought the dress because the Valentine's Day Ball was the day before Valentine's Day.

Eloese was so focused on the dress that she forgot about the perfect date. Eloese spotted

a handsome guy. As she walked to him, she ordered him to go to the ball with her.

The handsome guy refused to go with her. She didn't like that so she threw him into the prison. She was angry and mad.

As an old lady walked by, and she noticed what happened. So the old lady asked Eloese if she could have water on purpose,

but Eloese did not care. Soon the old lady cursed Eloese and something terrible happened. Eloese turned into a frog.

Eloese learned her lesson. Eloese did not go to the ball and everybody was happy. And that's how the frog princess came to be.

By Yolanda



## CHOOSE A CHIHUAHUA

My Chihuahua's name is Smokey. His color is black and brown. He is aggressive when you mess with him,

and he will jump and bite. It doesn't hurt when he bites—just sort of tickles.

But Smokey is really cute even though he acts

like a police dog. He will jump on you and can fit right into your hands.

By Giovanni

## ULTIMATE FIGHTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Ultimate Fighting Championships or UFC is the most popular fighting sport ever.

There are a lot of different fighters in the competition. Some of the fighters include Yoshihiro Akiyama, Jon Lendon, Bryan Caraway, BJ Pen, Junior Dos Santos and Takanori Gomi. My favorite fighter is BJ Penn.

In UFC there are differ-

ent weight classes. They are light weight, welter weight, middle weight, light heavy weight and heavy weight.

The weight class is the most important part of UFC, separating the heavy people from the not-so-heavy people. Without the weight class they would match up a 300 pound person with a 100 pound person.

A lot video games and movies were inspired by UFC, such as the movie Warrior, Fighting Words, Ultimate Knock Outs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, and they have the games like UFC 2009, UFC trainer, and UFC undisputed 3.

The UFC is my favorite fighting sport because you never know who is going to win.

*By Ezekiel*



## TIPS TO LIVE BY

Everyday, your parents send you out the door with a number of reminders. We've added in some of our own too to come up with 10 rules to follow.

**Rule number 1.** Never sit on thumbtack.

**Rule number 2:** Never say bad words.

**Rule number 3:** Be healthy and drink 8 water a day.

**Rule number 4:** Never lean back in a chair.

**Rule number 5:** Be good at school, and listen to your teacher.

**Rule number 6:** Don't jump on the bed.

**Rule number 7:** Be nice to your parents.

**Rule number 8:** Be nice to your brothers and sisters.

**Rule number 9:** Be nice to the BGC staff.

**Rule number 10:** Eat your vegetables.

*By Jayden*



## BATMAN TO THE RESCUE

Da, da, da, da, daa! Who might that be? It's Batman, of course!

Batman is a superhero who protects the city, fights crime, but mostly, he fights the evil Joker.

Nobody knows who Batman is, because when he is saving the world, he is disguised as Batman. When he's not Batman,

he's the millionaire named Bruce Wayne.

Batman has a midnight black mask and a matching cape, as well as a secret cage and his butler. The butler helps him to tell where the bad guys are.

When batman was a little kid, he had a dad name Dr. Thomas Wayne, who was fighting crime.

and he was fatally injured.

The tales never end when you watch the Batman TV show or read the comics from the library.

I think all boys in elementary school would like the show and comic books.

There is no reason to fear, when Batman is here!

*By Abraham*



## POKEMON FOR EVERYONE



A great game to play at home or at the Boys and Girls Club is Pokemon. It is a popular game with a lot of kids in elementary school.

To play the game, you try to collect all of the valuable Pokemon. The players are Pokemon trainers and the strongest trainer is the Pokemon Master.

My favorite Pokemon is Latios. Other popular Pokemon are the pokemons nams are Zapdos, Pikachu, and Charizard. Charizard can breathe fire.

The online game is better than the card game because it is more realistic.

Latios is the best Pokemon because he is one of

the strongest ones. Pikachu's power is thunder and lightning. Pikachu is by far the cutest pokemon. Zapdos is a bird who's powerful and his power is thunder as well.

Pokemon is a game where people catch pokemon and win a lot of points and money.

*By Jordan*

## VISIT SKYRIM



Skyrim is a game that is played on Xbox 360, on the computer, and on Playstation 3. It is a popular game with older boys. It is rated **Mature**, so you need your parents approval before you play this game.

In the game, the players try to defeat the

Dragon god who wants to destroy the world. The game takes place in a region called Skyrim on the planet of Nim. In the game when you first get off the cart, the player is taken to the palace.

The best part of the game is when the dragon lands and you get powers.

You have to watch for people who are going to attack you, and you have to attack them first. You have to keep trying to get their weapons and other stuff from them.

Remember, don't play this game unless your parents approve.

*By Joseph*

## DRAGONBALL Z BURST LIMIT



Dragon Ball Z Burst Limit is a fun game. There is a list of characters and the characters have powers that shoot out of their hands.

This is a video game for PlayStation 3 and Xbox 350. You can be good guys and fight bad guys that try to destroy the world but powerful people stand in their way. The

people super powerful.

This is a fighting game, and each player is a character who battles other characters, and it follows the Dragon Ball story.

Players can play alone or partner with another character in the game. There are different attack modes, like the Aura Spark mode. You can play online too and battle players that

live in other states or other countries.

Some of the characters are: Android 16, Android 17, Android 18, Bardock, Broly, Captain Ginyu, Cell, Frieza, Future Trunks, Gohan, Goku, King Cold, Krillin, Nappa, Piccolo, Raditz, Recoome, Shenron, Tien, Trunks, Vegeta, and Yamcha.

*By Mikey*

## STAR WARS IN 3D IS TRIPLE FUN

This is a guest article from the BGCLAH site in Wilmington, which did an email interview with Dorne Huebler of Industrial Light & Magic. Mr. Huebler worked on “Stars Wars Phantom Menace 3D.”

**BGC:** How long did it take to make Star Wars Phantom Menace into a 3D movie?

**Huebler:** It started in 2010, ended in 2011- a little over one year

**BGC:** How many people worked on making it a 3D movie?

**Huebler:** Too many to count...

**BGC:** What were your favorite 3D effects in the movie?

**Huebler:** I love seeing the Pod Race in 3D! It was also really fun to see Watto come to life in 3D too. I felt that was the way he was always meant to be seen!

**BGC:** What type of technology did you use to make the movie into 3D?

**Huebler:** When you see a movie in 3D, you are actually seeing two images at once for each frame of the film - one for each eye. They are slightly offset from each other, but when seen together at the same time, it creates the 3D effect. It was a lot of work, but using computer ren-

dering and painting software (and lots of talent), digital artists did this for every shot in the entire movie.

**BGC:** What kind of changes did you make to the force field to make it 3D?

**Huebler:** The force fields are examples of the hardest things to pull off in 3D because they are semi-transparent. You need to be able to see through them but know that they are at the right depth in the scene.

Other than that, we tried not to change the look or design from the original movie.

**BGC:** What was the hardest scene to make 3D?

**Huebler:** Like the force fields, anything that was partly transparent posed huge challenges.

Examples would be the windshield in front of Anakin in the Pod Race, any hologram shot, or the blur of Wattos' wings.

Another challenge was making sure every little wisp of hair was at the right depth so it didn't look like the hair was floating way behind the person it should be attached to.

**BGC:** What part of the movie was fun to make 3D?

**Huebler:** I really enjoyed seeing the whole battle sequence come to life in

3D! You had a little bit of everything in those shots - cutting between Darth Maul fighting with Obi Wan and Qui Gon, ship to ship space battles, and Gun-gans fighting the droids on the ground.

**BGC:** What was your least favorite part of making the movie into 3D?

**Huebler:** Once we got started, we knew that finishing the 3D process was going to be a lot of work—and we wanted to make sure that the film would look great.

Sometimes it took a lot of patience, especially when you just wanted to be done so you could sit back and enjoy watching the final 3D film in the theater.

**BGC:** Was everything in the original movie made 3D?

**Huebler:** The whole movie was made into 3D but this is the first time people will be seeing Yoda in 3D on the big screen.

**BGC:** How long have you been making 3D movies?

**Huebler:** I've only gotten involved in 3D movies in the last few years. With 2200 shots, this project is definitely the biggest one I've worked on!

Thanks, Mr. Huebler, for giving us an idea of what goes into making a 2D into a 3D movie! ❖



Dorne Huebler

“When you see a movie in 3D, you are actually seeing two images at once for each frame of the film ....”

## TV AND FILM FAVORITES IN ENGLAND



Helena is a student at Godolphin & Latymer school in London

So: the adverts are up, the tension is high, the nominations have been announced- we're all ready for the Oscars! The eyes of every film critic in the world are turned towards America! Right?

Not exactly. The Oscars- or the Academy Awards - are not the only film awards featuring in the media right now. I don't know how widely they are known about in America, but we have our own awards too—the British Academy of Film and Television Arts, or the BAFTA's.

### Television

They don't just award films, as you can guess from the name, TV features highly as well. You've probably heard of *Doctor Who*, the program that exists purely to traumatize small children (I am a

huge fan, not sure what that says about me).

*Sherlock*, the Conan Doyle remake set in 21st century London, may be slightly less well known (still brilliant, though. Again, massive fan).

Both should get something at the BAFTA's if there is any justice in the world.

### Movies

British cinema gets a look in at the Oscars, as well. *Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy*, the spy novel film adaptation born and bred in Britain, has 11 nominations, including Best Actor.

*War Horse*- if you have functioning tear ducts, this will make you cry- is a British film, also there.

*Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 2*- it's in Art Direction, Visual Effects and Makeup & Hair, not exactly the lime-

light, but still there- is as British as they come

But this is a two-way street and American productions are there in amongst British trends. *Glee* is very popular, in my school at least. *90210*, *The West Wing*, *Gossip Girl*- all there and popular. *Dancing with the Stars*, the American version of *Strictly Come Dancing*, airs in Britain. The Descendants is in the BAFTA nominations shortlist. Et cetera, et cetera.

So, we may be thousands of miles away geographically, but turn on your TVs, and we will probably be there. And (aside from proving that we don't all speak like Cheryl Cole/Dick van Dyke) we will definitely entertain you.

By Helena  
London correspondent



## AND THE WINNERS ARE . . .

The BAFTA Film Awards were held after we received Helena's article. The award winners are:

**Best Film**—"The Artist"

**Outstanding British Film**—"Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy"

**Best Director**—Michel Hazanavicius for "The Artist"

**Leading Actor**—Jean Dujardin in "The Artist"

**Leading Actress**—Meryl Streep in "The Iron Lady"

**Supporting Actor**—Christopher Plummer in "Beginners"

**Supporting Actress**—Octavia Spencer in "The Help"

**Special Visual Effects**—"Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2"



## Alex Monita

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**Monita:** I knew I wanted to do this in the 5th grade!

**BGC Kids News:** What advice would you give someone who wanted to get involved in movie making?

**Monita:** Like a sport, the more you practice, the better you will get.

**BGC Kids News:** How old do you have to be to start working on movies at the club?

**Monita:** We offer video classes in to high school and middle school members.

**BGC Kids News:** What do you like best about working at the club?

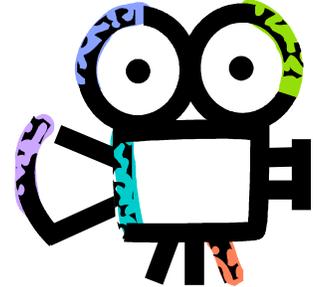
**Monita:** I work in a creative

environment and probably in one of the coolest rooms in the club.

**BGC Kids News:** What do you like to do when you aren't working?

**Monita:** I like to go hiking, biking, snowboarding, and travel.

*By Yvette*



## Alex Ryan

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**Ryan:** I would advise them to find a program with like-minded individuals, and do it. It's a craft that will only get better if you put yourself out there and follow your dreams.

**BGC Kids News:** Did you ever do sports?

**Ryan:** Yes, basketball and volleyball.

**BGC Kids News:** What is your favorite junk food to eat?

**Ryan:** Chocolate Chip Cookies

**BGC Kids News:** What is your favorite kind of chips?

**Ryan:** Fritos.

**BGC Kids News:** What is your favorite TV show?

**Ryan:** The Simpsons.

**BGC Kids News:** Do you like Angry Birds?

**Ryan:** Two times the fun.

**BGC Kids News:** What's your favorite TV channel?

**Ryan:** ESPN.

*By Adrian and Carson*



## Jahaira Colon

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**BGC Kids News:** What and who inspired you?

**Colon:** Most things in nature inspire me. More than anything I like WORDS. Word play is one of my favorite techniques to tamper with. I like to write poetry and stories.

I especially love to write kids books. I've written many books for my daughter.

**BGC Kids News:** What was your hardest activity?

**Colon:** The Alice and Wonderland Tea Party. It was hard to get kids to be calm and artistic when my room

was so cluttered and peculiar looking.

**BGC Kids News:** What do you like best about art?

**Colon:** I love sketching ideas, drawing, and bringing my thoughts to life.

*By Fibiana, Alexis, and Jazzlyn*



## Tony Tripp

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**BGC Kids News:** Why do you like your job?

**Tripp:** I like my job because I started off as a program person, working with kids, and I recognized that some people needed to step up to work in administration, so that the people who make the decisions have the knowledge of the people who are working with kids. I like my job, because I feel like I'm directly helping the people that are working with the kids and in turn by helping them do their jobs, they are helping you the kids do more, so that's why I like my job.

**BGC Kids News:** Do you like sports?

**Tripp:** I do like some sports but not conventional sports like football. I like fishing, and I like team handball, which is an Olympic sport. I actually played team handball here with the kids when I was working as a program person.

**BGC Kids News:** What is your favorite junk food?

**Tripp:** I like nuts, so anything that has a lot of nuts like Snickers.

**BGC Kids News:** Do you want to change the club?

**Tripp:** I changed the club quite a bit already. It looks different, and a lot of the programs here are new from when I started. We're going to redo the whole front of the club too. It should be done in about a year and a half. It will look like a whole brand new building.

**BGC Kids News:** When you were little, what did you want to be?

**Tripp:** When I was little, I first wanted to be an animator, a cartoonist. After that, I wanted to do something with music, like music for film. I still make music for movies on the side, I have my own chamber ensemble, I have my own jazz group, but I wanted to be an animator around 6 or 7 and then from 11 wanted to be in

music. I would have never thought that I would be doing something like this, but now I can't see myself doing something else.

**BGC Kids News:** How did it feel to run the program?

**Tripp:** It's a lot of work that you wouldn't think that you would have to do like meeting with people to get money so that we can fund the programs we run here. That's the hardest part of my job, very tiring. But when I come down and see the kids using the stuff, it feels really good,

**BGC Kids News:** What do you like being in the job?

**Tripp:** I like seeing things grow and develop. You know the sports arena outside? I actually drew it on a piece of paper when I was the music director and said to my executive director, "This this is what I want to do outside if you make me Director of Operations." He said "Okay, I want to see you do that." So that's why it's there.

*By BGCKN reporters*



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