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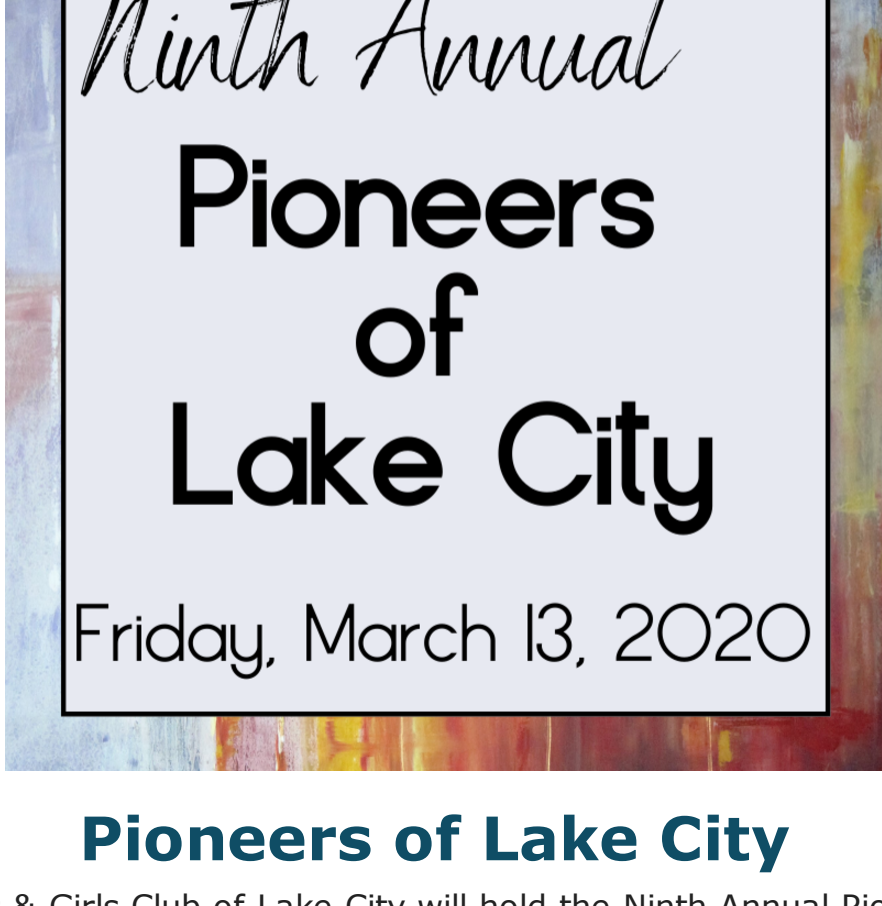
Steak N' Burger Dinner is Back!

After over 15 years, the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Pee Dee Area is bringing back the crowd favorite Steak N' Burger Dinner! Not only will the Steak N' Burger Dinner honor all the 2020 Youth of the Year Nominees who competed for the Pee Dee Area title on February 15, the BGCPDA Youth of the Year will also be announced during the celebration! This special event honors Club members and engages supporters of our organization with the young people who benefit from their generosity. The Steak N' Burger Dinner incorporates an evening of good food, great entertainment and interaction with Boys & Girls Clubs youth at each table. In addition to hearing our inspirational alumni keynote speaker, adults will dine on finely prepared hamburgers while Club members are honored with special steak dinners, which, for some, may represent their very first steak dinner.

Also, this year's Steak N' Burger Dinner will raise funds for the Carraway Turner Leadership Fund established by Health Facilities Federal Credit Union, now known as South Carolina Federal Credit Union. This fund awards scholarships to Youth of the Year candidates as they graduate high school and pursue further education. It was created in memory of Sgt. Terrence Carraway and Investigator Farrah Turner, who both lost their lives during the tragic events of October 3, 2018.

For more information, or to purchase seats, click on the button below!

[Purchase Seats Today!](#)



Pioneers of Lake City

On March 13, the Boys & Girls Club of Lake City will hold the Ninth Annual Pioneers of Lake City event at the Inn at the Crossroads. The event will honor three community members, Heyward King, Henry Johnson, and Mike Curry, for their outstanding service to Lake City in the areas of entrepreneurship and community service.

Heyward King and Henry Johnson are being honored as Pioneers this year for their work with W. Lee Flowers, which they purchased in 1978 from Heyward King's father, Heyward Sr. Over the 26 years that they owned the company, they were deeply involved in community services initiatives, particularly with the Boys & Girls Club of Lake City. Their service has greatly benefitted the community over the years, creating a legacy that is still being continued today.

Mike Curry will be posthumously receiving the Pioneers of Lake City award for his entrepreneurship and community service to Lake City from the 1950's through the 1990's. With only a second grade education, he owned the Neighborhood Grocery Store in the Deep River Community, was a bee keeper, a landlord for several single family homes, a volunteer driver for the Graham & Godwin Funeral Home and a volunteer poll driver for every major election. His granddaughter remembers him as a caring man who strived to make Lake City, especially the Deep River Community, a better place. He stressed the importance of respect and kindness to everyone, even people you might not agree with. His memory is carried on by family and friends who were greatly influenced by his heart of service for Lake City.

For more information, including where to purchase tickets, check out the link below!

[Purchase Tickets for Pioneers of Lake City](#)



2020 Youth of the Year Competition

The 2020 Youth of the Year competition was held on February 15 at the Florence Boys & Girls Club. One contestant from each of the six sites was selected to compete in this prestigious event. The winner will be announced at the Steak N' Burger Dinner on March 3. They will then go on to compete in the State Youth of the Year competition in April. All six contestants did a wonderful job! Thank you to our judges who volunteered their time to spend with our members!

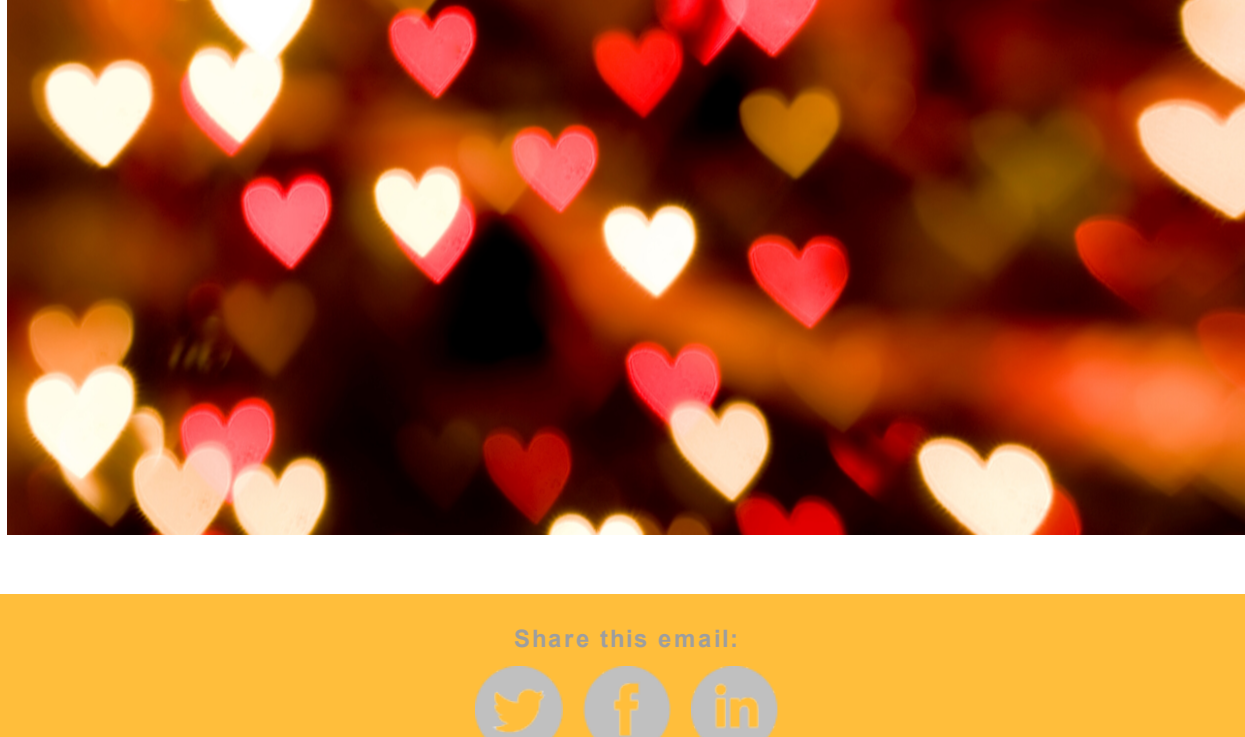


Honor Roll Dinner

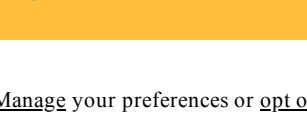
On February 19, the Florence Boys & Girls Club held its Honor Roll Dinner for members who made the A/B honor roll last semester. Members and their families celebrated their academic achievements with Corporate Board Members, who also presented them with certificates. Thank you to our dedicated board for organizing such a special event!

Ross Raised Over \$2,100 for BGC

Thank you our local Ross at the Florence Mall for their fundraising efforts! As part of the national corporate campaign in partnership with Boys & Girls Clubs of America, they raised over \$2,100 for our local Clubs! Thank you to everyone who donated at checkout and to Ross for their matching contributions. Our members are lucky to have such dedicated community members working to make their futures bright!



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