



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF BLOOMINGTON**

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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF BLOOMINGTON SET TO HOST THE 2019
WINTER DANCE SHOWCASE**

Bloomington, Ind. – Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington, in partnership with the Lindsey O’Brien (LOK) Wishing Tree Foundation, will host the 2019 Winter Dance Showcase at the historic Lincoln Street Club on Wednesday, December 11th. This unique performing arts event is free to the public and will start promptly at 6:00 p.m. at the Club, which is located at 311 S. Lincoln Street in downtown Bloomington.

“Our members, staff and volunteers have put in so much work to prepare for the Winter Dance Showcase,” commented Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington Executive Director, Jeff Baldwin. “With special thanks to The Wishing Tree Foundation, performing arts at the Club is a cornerstone of our program offerings. The Winter Dance Showcase will highlight some of the extraordinary talents of our members. We encourage the community to visit us on December 11th and watch these amazing kids at work!”

Participating Club members will showcase the Beginner’s Dance Program as well as the popular Hip Hop Dance Program during the hour-long event. The Club’s Dance Program is presented by Indiana University’s Chapter of Movement Exchange. Movement Exchange creates a sustainable impact through dance and service by supporting year-round, locally staffed dance programs. We have dance programs at two orphanages and an at-risk youth foundation in Panama. Additionally, Move-Ex university chapters provide free weekly dance classes at various institutions in the U.S. including domestic violence shelters, youth programs, nursing homes, and refugee centers. Aside from Club members performing, Movement Exchange will also perform during the event. More information about Movement Exchange can be found online at www.movementexchanges.org.

About the Wishing Tree Foundation

The LOK Wishing Tree Foundation’s goal is to empower the next generation to keep themselves and those they love safe from the dangers of CO. Says LOK Founder Dot Kesling, “Engaging these teens, educating them about carbon monoxide and providing the tools necessary to speak with the public about this life-saving topic is our brightest and best hope. Indiana is currently one of a handful of states that has no statewide building code requirements for CO alarms in residential or commercial buildings, making their efforts all the more critical.” To learn more about carbon monoxide and to receive a 20% discount on select CO alarms from visit LOK Wishing Tree Foundation’s website: www.lokwishingtree.org.

About the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington is an organization dedicated to empowering all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as caring, productive, and responsible citizens. The club operates three units serving youth in Monroe County: Lincoln Street, Ferguson Crestmont, and Ellettsville. Offering low annual rates, the club is a place where all local youth can safely learn, grow, and become the adults of tomorrow. Focusing on Academic Success, Healthy Lifestyles, and Good Character & Active Citizenship, programming at the Club is enriching and varied, led by professional staff and volunteers. To learn more about programs and events at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington or to make a donation, visit www.bgcblloomington.org, call (812) 332-5311, or follow the Club on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram!

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