



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
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MUSIC FRATERNITY TO PERFORM AT THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Bloomington, Ind. – Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington, in partnership with the Lindsey O'Brien Wishing Tree Foundation, will host the Brothers of Indiana University's Kappa Kappa Psi Honorary Band Fraternity in a special LIVE performance for Club members on Tuesday, February 18th, at the historic Lincoln Street Club.

"We are so excited for the Brothers of the Kappa Kappa Psi Honorary Band Fraternity to spend time with our Club members and share in the unity of music appreciation," said Lincoln Street Teen Director Monica Hoerner. "Kappa Kappa Psi supports musical performances across Indiana University's campus, and are excited to share their passion for music with our members."

During the performance, Club members will have the opportunity to learn about marching band formations and various instruments to increase their overall knowledge and appreciation of this popular musical style. Additionally, the band will play a number of songs including familiar tunes such as "Indiana, Our Indiana" and "Indiana Fight."

The historic fraternity consists of Indiana University students who are members of a variety of musical organizations on campus, including the highly decorated Wind Ensemble and the famed IU Marching Hundred, the official band of IU Athletics. Kappa Kappa Psi, the National Honorary Fraternity for College Band Members, is a campus organization operating exclusively in the field of the college and university bands.

The IU Marching Hundred has been entertaining Hoosier students, fans and alumni for more than 120 years and have become a staple inside Memorial Stadium during each Indiana Football game. Originally founded to provide recreation for interested students, the 22-member band debuted on Indiana University's campus back in 1896 under the direction of S.M. Unger. The music-bonded fraternity was organized in May 1931, and has been serving IU's campus and students ever since. Throughout their illustrious history, the IU Marching Hundred has performed in front of audiences during historic events including the Kentucky Derby (1939), the Presidential Inaugural Parade (1953) and the Rose Bowl (1968). Recently, the band was invited to perform during Super Bowl XLVI in Indianapolis.

Reinforcing the band's long-standing motto of *A Tradition of Excellence*, the IU Marching Hundred is regarded as one of the top collegiate musical acts known for their precision and creativity while captivating audiences all

across the country . More information on the IU Marching Hundred can be found online at bands.sitehost.iu.edu.

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.bgcbloomington.org, call (812) 332-5311, or follow the Club on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram!

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