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'Raise The Roof... for a new gym!

It all started with a simple dinner. UF Women's Volleyball Coach Mary Wise was out for a date with her husband Mark at 0!0 Garden Grille (formerly Cafe Gardens) when Girls Place volleyball coach (and 0!0 waitress) Mackenzie Hellstrom thanked Coach Wise for the awesome clinic she conducted earlier in the month at Girls Place. When 0!0 Garden Grille owner Mike Case joined the conversation, a fundraiser was born!

THE EVENT

Coach Wise & Mike Case came up with the idea of hosting a kickoff party to raise money for a new, bigger gym at Girls Place, nearby the current gym. The event will host music, dancing and a silent auction. The proceeds from this event will go to start this new gym project. It will allow us to hire an architectural firm to start drawing up the plans so we can get the ball rolling on this amazing community asset! You can join us by purchasing your ticket at the door, on the phone or online:

www.girlsplace.net/raisetheroof

Team Pictures turned out great and will be hand delivered at the end of the season with the end of the season gift!





Summer Sports Clinics

Looking for a fun way for your daughter to spend her summer? We have the cure for that! These clinics will be open to girls of all skill levels, who are looking at improving basic skill sets for each sport. Each session will have a different area of emphasis. For example, volleyball clinics would include a session of serving, passing, setting and hitting a volleyball. Soccer clinics would include sessions on passing, shooting, defense, dribbling and free kicks.... and so on! Information on specific dates and pricing can be found on our website: <u>http://</u> <u>www.girlsplace.net/athletics/sportcamps</u>. This summer we'll be hosting clinics in:

Volleyball, Cheerleading, Soccer, Lacrosse & Basketball!



We have a CUTE end of the season gift for all of the volleyball participants this spring! It will help launch you into summer! We'll be passing them out during championship week once each team's season is over. If you'll miss championship week (ie: 5th grade Safety Patrollers) please pick your bag up before you leave! The charter school that rents from Girls Place (Healthy Learning Academy) will be moving out this upcoming Saturday, June 2nd during volleyball game weekend. During that weekend, PLEASE use the side door of the gym for entrance and exits to games. If possible, please avoid the lobby area and plan to arrive earlier than usual to ensure your parking spot!



REPORT CARDS

At the end of his season we'll be distributing report cards to each player with their preseason and post season scores. The preseason scores were collected and averaged during evaluations. The post season scores were collected during the 2nd to last week of practice this season. You can find the report cards inside of your child's end of the season gift bag.

We hope that these constructive comments will give your child something volleyball related to work on over the summer time for their own personal growth as an athlete!

Stay in Shape this Summer!



THIS SUMMER POSES A UNIQUE SITUATION FOR MANY FAMILIES. NO SCHOOL MEANS MORE FREE TIME FOR THE KIDS, HOW THEY SPEND THEIR FREE TIME THIS SUMMER COULD PLAY A BIG FACTOR IN HOW ACTIVE THEY WILL BE IN THE FALL.

With the summer rapidly approaching, we're all thinking of ways to keep our kids busy: summer camps, sports camps, sleep away camps... But what if you don't plan on sending them anywhere over the summer? What can they do at home to maintain an active lifestyle? Good news. Your child probably has everything they need right at home to keep active over the summer. They might just need a little motivation. Try making a weekly chart built with incentives or fun rewards for sticking to their activities for consecutive days. You can also plan family related

activities (bike rides, walks around the neighborhood, outdoor time at a local park). That built in family time also gives the opportunity to find out more about your kids! The physical activity recommendations for children ages 6-14 is 60 minutes, 5 times a week of moderate aerobic, muscle & bone strengthening

Championship Week

Still have questions about the championship week? Here are some

answers:

Since the playoff schedule is based on each team's individual record this season, we'll have to wait until the last weekend of games (June I st/2nd) to determine playoff standings.

On Saturday, June 2nd we'll send emails to each team to let you know when your first playoff game will take place. So please check your email and Quckscores for all of the up to date information!

Championship Week will start on Monday, June 4th. Since games will take place every night, there will be NO PRACTICES that week!

All Star and Coaches games will take place on I Sunday, June 9th. ALL ARE WELCOME!! activities. For some at home ideas on how to meet these daily recommendations, check out this website: http://www.cdc.gov/ physicalactivity/everyone/guidelines/ children.html

One of my favorite Gainesville resources is: www.Fun4GatorKids.com On this website you can find a comprehensive list of fun, free (or inexpensive) activities for children of all ages in the Gainesville and surrounding areas. So what are you waiting for? You have all the resources at your fingertips! Go plan your active summer!

NUMBERS

of Spring Volleyball 2012 Girls

285

Years Girls Place has been around

26

of Spring Volleyball 2012 Teams

27

Fall Volleyball Dates

<u>Sun. July 1st-</u>9am registration opens on Quickscores.com/ GirlsPlace

*** Due to the large number of players this season, evaluations will be conducted in a slightly different fashion. We will host evaluations on three different occasions and your child must attend the session corresponding with her last name. If you are unable to attend your assigned session, please contact Taryn immediately to reschedule. ***

Sat. August 4th− 10am Evaluations for last names A-F.

Sun. August 12th- 3pm Evaluations for last names G-N.

Sat. August 18th- 10am Evaluations for last names 0-Z.

<u>August 22nd</u>- Notification of Teams

Week of August 27th- Practices Begin

VOLLEYBALL- A-THON



Monday, September 3rd- Labor Day (Girls Place Closed)

<u>September 7th-</u>Game Schedule Released

September 21/22nd- Exhibition Games

October 12/13th - Picture Day!

Girls Place Volleyball Alumna Nikki DeGance and Kandace Tice will be hosting a 24 hour volleyball tournament as a fundraiser for the new gym!! The girls are from the Buchholz High School Academy of Entrepreneurship. They are doing this for their DECA Project. So save the date to take part in this AWESOME event: November 3rd! More details to come this summer. Thanks for your hard work ladies!

Week of November 12th-Championship Week (Games only, NO Practices!)

November 18th- All Star Games/ Coaches Game; 3/4th- 2:30pm, 5/6th- 3:30pm, 7/8th- 4:30pm; Coaches Game- 5:30pm



Girls Place Cheerleading wrapped up an impressive season! Thanks to Coach Jackie McCullough for her hard work and dedication, Girls Place had their first cheerleading squad in over 10 years! The squad cheered for both the track and volleyball programs this spring!



Girls Place Track had a great season! Coaches Zakeyah, Tiffani and Alex did a great job of getting the girls to set their goals and break their own personal records this season! Track had their year end celebration last Friday. Congrats ladies!

Did you know??

Since the 1990s Gator Volleyball has signed 6 Gainesville volleyball players 5 of them got their start here at Girls Place!

Girls Place has served well over 20,000 girls in the last 26 years through our athletics, summer day camp and after school programs!!

This year alone, Girls Place has had 6 area high school alumna that have signed with Division I colleges/ universities to pursue their athletic and academic endeavors!

Girls Place 2012 Fall Volleyball All Stars

3/4th All Stars

| Auburn Cook | | | |
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| Bailey Greenberg | 5/6th All Stars | 7/8th All Stars | High School All Stars |
| Emmani-Jeanae- Hill | Alejandra Cabassa | Alyssa Flinchum | Ana Nichols-Holcy |
| Gracie Quarles | Blue Player | Ana Puig | Andrea Cabassa |
| Jordan Crawl | Calista Headrick | Briana Johnson | Brittany Buchanon |
| Kelly Wang | Grace "Lulu" Fang | Carly Alexander | Hannah Hutchison |
| Kirsten Smith | Grace Wiglesworth | Jenna VanSciver | Kelly Gordon |
| Lauren Thigpin | Jalyn Tan | Julia Bellot | Kyliee Carney |
| Orange Player # 1 | Kaitlyn Headrick | Kennedy Royster | Lizzie Grater |
| Orange Player # 2 | Maroon Player | Keri Rodriguez | Maria Merolle |
| Serenity Riggins | Molly Zimmerman | Malia Gnad | Misha Patz |
| Shayla Woulard | Rowan Cassarly | Morgan Hutchison | Napria Ellis |
| Taylor Doering | Sarah Lewerenz | Sarah Aranda | Samaia Patz |
| Valentina Diez | Viviana Cook | Tori Shaw | Savanna Munn |

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