

# GLASSBORO IN THE NEWS

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Glassboro is all about partnerships. . .  
COMMUNITY LEADERS, CHURCHES, BUSINESSES UNITE  
TO PAINT BOYS & GIRLS CLUB BUILDING ON ELLIS STREET

GLASSBORO--On a sunny Saturday in August, members of the Glassboro Chapter of the Boys & Girls Club of Gloucester County proved just how much can be accomplished through partnership and fellowship. With the help of donations from local churches, municipal leaders and businesses, plus the "sweat equity" of dozens of volunteers, the Club's home--in the Glassboro School District's Elsmere School building--has gotten a new paint job.

The project is an outgrowth of the Boys & Girls Club new partnership with their Ellis Street neighbor, the Emmanuel Baptist Church Outreach Ministry. Emmanuel Church members, municipal leaders, community volunteers, members of the New Life Fellowship church and members of the Boys & Girl Club joined in the painting effort, with food for the workers donated by the Glassboro Democratic Club and paint provided in part by Sears Hardware in Glassboro.

A second "painting party" is slated for Saturday, August 14 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and members of the community are invited to participate. The group will celebrate completion of the project with an outreach fellowship block party at the Emmanuel Baptist Church on Saturday, August 21 from 12:00-4:00 p.m.

"In Glassboro, we pride ourselves on knowing who our neighbors are and reaching out to those in need," said Ben Stephens, Unit Director for the Glassboro Chapter of the Boys & Girls Club. "When I met with the church ministry leaders it was evident that both groups needed each other's help and that we needed to work together to improve the neighborhood. We needed to make this happen, and we did."

Rev. Charles Harvey, Jr, a minister at Emmanuel Baptist, echoed these sentiments. "It is our mission to reach out to our neighbors and set an example for the youth in our community. What better way to unit a neighborhood than by a good old community service project and a celebration between several generations of people sharing a common goal," he said.

For more information on this community outreach project, please call 856-863-2040.



Caption for “Boys & Girls Club 01.jpg”  
Glassboro Councilman Ed Malandro was among dozens of volunteers to help out with the painting of the Glassboro Boys & Girls Club on August 7.



Caption for “Boys & Girls Club 02.jpg”  
Volunteer painters, chefs and organizers--including club members, parents and staff, Emmanuel Baptist Church members, Mayor Leo McCabe and Councilwoman Ingres Simpson--take a break during the “painting party.”



Caption for "Boys & Girls Club 03.jpg"

Rev. Charles Harvey, Jr, a minister at Emmanuel Baptist Church, manned the grill and coordinated feeding the dozens of volunteer painters. Food was donated by the Glassboro Democratic Club and paint was provided by the Glassboro Sears Hardware store.



Caption for "Boys & Girls Club 04.jpg"

Many of the Boys & Girls Club members, along with their parents, joined in the painting project and helped out with preparation of lunch, shown in photo. "What better way to unit a neighborhood than by a good old community service project and a celebration between several generations of people sharing a common goal," said a Emmanuel Baptist Church Minister Rev. Charles Harvey, Jr.