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*News and information for and  
from the kids of our community!*

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**Begin regular fitness and proper nutrition at an early age...  
it leads to a healthier life-style!**



**Miss Etta Kitt...how can I get my family to watch less  
television and read more?**

Well reader...I've got a great idea for you. I tried this at home and it works and is also a load of fun for the entire family.

We have close-captioning on our television and at least once each week, I turn the sound off and we read the captions instead.

At first everybody fumed and fussed...and then learned what a good time we can have with this.

The children take turns reading the captions...sometimes using a "fake accent" and sometimes using silly cartoon voices.

The children's reading ability and comprehension has improved greatly without the constant hassle of my "force-feeding" reading to them.

Start with perhaps just 30 minutes two or three times each week...and believe it or not, the kids will begin to love it and will ask for more...good luck!

**Spotlight on Youth Village Volunteer of the Quarter...Dr. Anthony Roberts**

Mentoring is a vital part of the Youth Village Program; and I am proud to be a part of it. Volunteering is at the core of my heart and Youth Village is an excellent program of educational, spiritual and cultural activities.

There are several reasons why I enjoy mentoring at the Youth Village. First, I get a chance to interchange with youths of various ages on their level.

Since I 'm not in the Atlanta, Georgia area near my three grandchildren, mentoring gives me opportunities to give something back to others. Secondly, it's a pleasure to help students who may be struggling with Mathematics (that's where I concentrate my efforts during both the after school

and summer programs). It's really a pleasure to work with the professional staff and other mentors at the Youth Village.



## Notes from the desk of Founder/Director Nellie Bogar

Our goal is to provide a quality program that is safe, fun and affordable. Youth Village offers age appropriate activities under the supervision of competent, trustworthy and caring staff members and volunteers who make certain that the needs of the children are met.

We believe that during the hours that the children are away from home should be well-supervised, which provides their parents “peace of mind”.

We offer fun, enriching educational and recreational activities that help promote confidence, positive self-esteem

and responsibility.

We stress safety at Youth Village and when your child is in our care, we treat them as the precious gifts from God that they are.



Nellie Bogar

### **SUMMER ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN!**

**2011 Youth Village Summer Enrichment Camp presents:**

#### ***Around the Globe!***

Each week we'll take a “virtual tour” of a different country, to include Spain, France, Nigeria, China and more to study their

\*Traditions   \*Clothing   \*Food   \*Music

#### **Taste of the Country Fridays**

(samples of foods from the country “toured” that week!)

- End of Summer Production
  - Project-based learning
- Field Trips (swimming, Goofy Golf, picnics, etc)
  - The Arts (acting and dancing workshops)
  - Shelter House Workshops (kids 10 & older)
    - The Cub House (kids 5-7)

Open: 7:30am - 6:00pm Monday - Friday

Monday May 23 until Wednesday August 3

Fee: \$75.00 per week      \$10.00 Registration fee

Breakfast, lunch, afternoon snacks and Field Trips included in fee

We accept Child Care Service vouchers!

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## **We asked the Youth Village kids "Who's Your Hero and Why?" Here's a couple of answers...good goin' kids!**



Kayla, 10

My hero is my dad because he goes out in the community and helps others who are in need.

So that's why my dad is my hero!



Ahmahdre, 12

My hero has to be Jesus, my Lord and Savior. He died on the cross for me. The Lord has to be almost everyone's hero. Jesus taught me life lessons. Jesus has changed my life through my 12 years of living and I'm glad he did.

Hero...any person admired for courage, nobility, or exploits, esp. in war...any person admired for qualities or achievements and regarded as an ideal or model. *Webster's New World College Dictionary (4th ed. 1999)*

Question: Who's hero are you?