

# Dads and sons welcome to Dude's Night Out Friday in Bristol

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BRISTOL - Dude's Night Out returns to the Bristol Boys & Girls Club March 22 offering a fun night of games, activities and father-son bonding.

"We are excited to once again be able to provide one-on-one time for parents and their kids," said Sarah Lucian, development and marketing director. "This gives them a chance to bond, have fun and be surrounded by other families who are there to have a good time."

This is the fourth year that Dude's Night Out has been held at the club. In past years, Lucian said, there have been as many as 400 guests.

"It's really beautiful to see dads having a fun time with their boys," she said. "Our members really look forward to it throughout the year."

Lucian said that the Bristol Boys & Girls Club is very grateful to the community sponsors that have supported the event throughout the years. ESPN and Tim and Mary Walsh are the presenting sponsors.

The four platinum sponsors are the Barnes Group Foundation, Stephen Auto Mall and Webster Bank.

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The night will feature free popcorn from "Doc Pop," who sells popcorn at Lake Compounce, stadium food for sale, a basketball free throw contest, racing through bounce house courses, pool, foosball, giant Jenga and giant Connect 4. There will also be potato sack racing and a photo booth sponsored by the Men & Boys Fund at the Main Street Community Foundation.

New to this year, there will be a contest to see who can eat a pie the fastest coordinated by the Keystone Club. The cost to enter this contest is \$1.

The event will be held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Family Center at 255 West St., and fathers and sons are encouraged to come wearing the jersey of their favorite sports team.

Tickets are \$20 in advance for a pair and \$5 per additional guest. Tickets at the door are \$25 a pair and \$10 for each additional guest.

For more information, or for tickets, call the Bristol Boys and Girls Family Center at 860-583-4734 or visit [bbgc.org](http://bbgc.org).



The Dude's Night Out at the Bristol Boys and Girls Club Family Center. - Photo taken by John Benoit and provided by the Bristol Boys and Girls Club Family Center.

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