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### **Boys' & Girls' Brigade Receives Grant**

The Boys' & Girls' Brigade in Neenah has received a \$3,000 grant from the Bemis Foundation to support the youth character development and leadership training programs.

"We're so grateful to the Bemis Foundation for its ongoing support of programs that provide protective youth services so youth are at less risk of negative behaviors in the community," said John Dery, executive director of the Brigade, "This grant provides important support to existing youth programs so we are able to expand offerings in other areas."

Celebrating its 111<sup>th</sup> year of serving community youth, the Brigade continues to initiate new youth programs like Homework Help that began last fall and provides tutoring at no cost to boys and girls in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.

During the school year, fun and exciting leadership training and character development programs are led by staff and adult volunteer mentors weekly at the Brigade building located at 109 W. Columbian Avenue in Neenah. These high quality youth programs (for 6th-12th grade youth with some opportunities for 5th graders) have been building future leaders for over 100 years in the Fox Valley. The Brigade mission is: We Build Leaders. For more information visit Brigade's website at [www.bgbrigade.com](http://www.bgbrigade.com) or call (920) 725-3983.