

Boys' & Girls' Club of Pittsfield

NASA Astronaut Stephanie Wilson Lands at the Boys' & Girls' Club Monday



PITTSFIELD, Mass. – NASA Astronaut Stephanie Wilson is came to her roots recently, landing at the Boys' and Girls' Club of Pittsfield on Monday, June 7.

Wilson carried a Boys' and Girls' Club t-shirt into space with her on her last voyage, and returned the shirt to the club, along with a signed banner that will be carried in the Pittsfield Fourth of July Parade and a signed and matted poster commemorating her most recent mission aboard the Space Shuttle Discovery.

Members of the club's Junior Leaders initiative, which includes middle-school aged students from around Berkshire county, were granted special field trip to attend an honorary breakfast with Wilson and present her with thank you gifts. The group created the shirt that Wilson brought into space as a team project

Wilson, who returned in April from a two-week mission to the International Space Station, is an alumna of the Boys' and Girls' Club of Pittsfield and a 1984 graduate of Taconic High School in Pittsfield. She earned an undergraduate degree in engineering science from Harvard University in 1988, and a master's in aerospace engineering from the University of Texas in 1992, and became a mission specialist for NASA in 1996.

About Boys & Girls Club of Pittsfield

The Boys & Girls Club of Pittsfield, Mass. has been in operation for more than a century. A long-term investor in the community, the club focuses on the needs of children of all ages in a diverse, urban area, and offers a number of and community involvement programs in addition to sports, vocational, and recreational opportunities. For more information, visit www.boysandgirlsclubofpittsfield.org or call (413) 448-8258.