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30 Years of Mentoring



Big Brothers Big Sisters
of Cumberland & Salem Counties

September October 2012

LITTLE MOMENTS

Ten Options highlight BBBS All American Car Raffle

Ten Prize options are available to the lucky winner of this year's All American Car Raffle. Options include: Cadillac SRX, Chevrolet Camaro, Cadillac CTS Sedan, Chevrolet Silverado, a pair of Jeep Patriots, a pair of Harley Davidson Road King Classic Motorcycles, or a pair of Chevrolet Cruzes. Additional options are: a Jeep Patriot and a Chevrolet Cruze, a Jeep Patriot and a Harley Davidson Road King Classic, or a Chevrolet Cruze and a Harley Davidson Road King Classic.

Tickets for the Raffle cost \$100 each. Ticket sales are limited to 999 tickets.

We will draw the winning ticket on Sunday October 7 at 8:15 at the Deerfield Harvest Festival. The winner does not need to be present to win.

Tickets may be purchased online at www.AllAmericanCarRaffle.com or at the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland and Salem

Counties office in Vineland or at the BBBS Booth at the Deerfield Harvest Festival.

Thanks to our Big Brother Big Sister Car Raffle Silver Sponsors:

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Chevy Runs Deep

Attend a one hour informational session to learn how Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland and Salem Counties impacts the children we serve.

The presentation is an overview of Big Brothers Big Sisters and the programs we offer. A Big Brother or Big Sister will describe his/her experience as a volunteer and the positive impacts of volunteering.

Lunch is provided.

Attendees are not asked to commit to anything. We simply want to share our message with as many people in the community as possible.

The Little Moment schedule is:
 Sept 5 12:15 – 1:15 Vineland
 Sept 20 11:00 – 12:00 Salem
 Oct 3 12:15 – 1:15 Vineland
 Nov 7 12:15 – 1:15 Vineland
 Dec 5 12:15 – 1:15 Vineland

Each session will end promptly within an hour.

Please call the BBBS Office at 856-692-0916 if you are interested in attending a Little Moments Session.

BBBS Celebrates Annual Picnic

On August 23 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland and Salem Counties held their annual picnic. Over 50 attended the event which featured lots of good food and fun activities.

The highlight of this event is each child receiving a book bag stocked with school supplies. Thanks to donors Farmer's Mutual Insurance in Salem, Dempsey & Weiss Insurance in Elmer, Sweet Peas Children's Shop in Vineland, United Way of Salem County, and St. John's Episcopal Church in Salem for the book bags and supplies.



Above: Picnic attendees select their new book bag.

Right: Big Brother Paul and Little Brother Davon try kayaking at the August 23 picnic.



Match Spotlight



Little Sister Gisel cleaning cat cages at the SPCA

When they were first matched in November 2010, Little Sister Gisel, told Big Sister Kris Townsend she wanted to become a veterinarian. That goal is the reason for many trips to local Zoos and a trip to the Cumberland County SPCA one Saturday. While at the SPCA Gisel became an SPCA Junior Volunteer. After taking the required training Gisel can play with the cats and walk the dogs. Also, Junior Volunteers help with the mountains of laundry, facility cleaning and special fundraising events.

This summer the Cumberland County SPCA offered a free of charge boot camp for Junior Volunteers who are interested in a career working with animals. The attendees were cat and dog trained Junior Volunteers over the age of 14 who had volunteered at least 20 hours. The boot camp was five full days of learning more about what the SPCA does including pet neutering, feeding, grooming, and facility care.

Rise and Shine Breakfast

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland and Salem Counties will host their annual Rise and Shine breakfast fundraiser at the Centerton Country Club on November 28, 2012. The event starts at 7:30 am and ends promptly at 9 am. Guests will enjoy a complimentary continental breakfast and learn about our vital programs.

Presentations will include testimonials to inspire Breakfast attendees to support Big Brothers Big Sisters. Big Brothers Big Sisters impacts the lives of children by engaging and guiding community volunteers who meet one-to-one with a child. The strength and growth of the program depends upon community support.

Help us "Start Something™" for youth in our community! We are looking for Table Captains who will invite their friends and business contacts to the breakfast. We are also looking for event sponsors to underwrite the cost of the event. To reserve a seat or volunteer as a Table Captain contact BBBS at 856-692-0916.



Big Sister Elyse and Little Sister Megan making a scrap book at Craft Night



Head over heels fun at the Summer Fun Water Games

Summer Fun Nights a BIG Success!

Thursday nights during the summer were special for our littles with the Summer Fun Nights programs. For six Thursday nights during the summer littles enjoyed game night, car wash night, craft night, Garden night, water games night, and Kickball night. From the photos it is obvious that everyone had a great time!

The Summer Fun Nights ended with a computer giveaway. The computer was won by Chakyra who exclaimed "I'm so glad I signed up for this program!"



Whooping it up at Game night



Littles learning about gardening.



"Working at the Car Wash"



"Slip Sliding Away"

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Spotlight on Kathleen Norton-Gallagher



This issue we spotlight BBBS Board Member Kathleen Norton-Gallagher.

Kathleen joined the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland and Salem Counties Board of Directors about eight years ago. She became involved with the agency through a friend from work.

After graduating from High School in Pittsburgh, Kathleen went to the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, where she attended the Moore School of Electrical Engineering and the Wharton School of Business. There Kathleen graduated with dual degrees in Systems Engineering and Economics. After graduation, Kathleen worked in Baltimore, MD and Danbury, CT for Westinghouse Electric. From there she headed off to the Boston area and worked in High Tech Sales and System Integration for such companies as IBM.

At the same time Kathleen opened a business with Market America. With Market America, Kathleen has her own shopping portal:

www.shop.com/Kathleen. Through Market America, Kathleen helps people with nutrition and weight management issues. Also through Market America, Kathleen met her future husband, Robert. Kathleen moved to Millville and is Vice President at TD Bank on Delsea Drive in Vineland.

Kathleen enjoys her work with Big Brothers Big Sisters and the dedicated staff and volunteers. She co-chairs the Raising More Money Committee and also is active on the Big Night Committee.

BBBS Holiday Outreach Program

Each year, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties hosts an outreach campaign for the families and children enrolled in our youth-mentoring programs. The organization looks to members of the community and local businesses to help fulfill our children's and family's wishes and needs during the holiday season. Individuals and businesses can help by sponsoring one of the children in our program by purchasing a gift that will be presented to the child during the season or by "adopting" the child's family during the holidays.

Individual Child Sponsorship

-pick up a gift tag from Larry's II and purchase a gift for that child. The tag will have the child's name, gender, and age on it. Return your gift to Larry's II by the posted date. You may wrap the gift if you wish to do so. You may also contact the Big Brothers Big Sisters office for other ways to help a child in need.

Family Sponsorship

-call the BBBS office to sponsor a family in need. You will be able to tell the BBBS staff about any family or gift preferences that you may have. All items should be at the BBBS office to ensure that the staff has ample time to get the items to the families. Typical donations include; household cleaning products, food baskets, linens, clothing for the children, and grocery store gift cards. Specific needs will be shared with you when you contact the office. For more information on the Holiday Outreach Campaign, contact Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland and Salem Counties at 856-692-0916.

What is 211? (and nj211.org)

- **A place to turn when you need to find state or local health and human service resources** to address urgent needs or everyday concerns – Free; Confidential; Multi-lingual; TTY accessible; Available 24/7
- **An easy-to-remember telephone number that connects callers to resource specialists** who are ready to guide callers to available resources that will do the most good
- **A website that provides easy access to our resource database and focused resource pages that provide essential facts**, contact numbers and web links so individuals have the tools they need to find answers
- **A service that reliably tracks expressed needs** and regularly provides government leaders with data that enables them to address emerging social trends in real time

- **Don't forget to Visit the BBBS booth at the Deerfield Harvest Festival!**
- **Do something GRAND for Grandparents Day on September 9. See Grandparentsday.Org for ideas.**
- **Rise and Shine annual fundraiser on November 28**

September and October Events

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
Sept 8	Bridgeton AME Community Event 12- 5
Sept. 9	Art, Music & Antiques Festival on High Street in Millville
Sept. 9	Septemberfest in Pennsville
Sept 15 and 16	Atlantic City Seafood Festival Admission \$10 (under 12 is free!)
Sept 15 and 16	Civil War Weekend at Cold Spring Village
Sept 22 and 23	Fido Festival at the Salem Fairgrounds
Sept 22	Aviation Celebration at the Millville Airport
Sept 29	Woodstown Fall Festival
Sept 29	Salem County YMCA 5K and Community Day
Oct 6 and 7	Craft Festival at Wheaton Arts in Millville
Oct 6 and 7	Deerfield Harvest Festival
Oct 19, 20, 26	Greenwich Halloween Ghost Tours - Reservations required
Oct. 21	Country Fair at Batso State Park
Oct. 26	Walking Ghost Tour of Historic Market Street in Salem

September and October Match Anniversaries

Paul & Jarred	4 years in September	Millie & Mya	1 Year in October
Elise & Megan	3 Years in September	Tina & Trevor	1 Year in October
Sandra & Gisselle	1 Year in September	Teresa & Alana	1 Year in October
Stephanie & Honeste	1 Year in September	Denise & Diana	1 Year in October
Tanya & Kelsie	5 Years in October	Teaunah & Kaiana	1 Year in October
John & Tyrell	4 Years in October	Brooke & Dream	1 Year in October
Matijah & Peggy	4 Years in October	Maggie & Marley	1 Year in October
Stephen & Trey	4 Years in October	Melissa & Izayah	1 Year in October
Diane & Samantha	4 Years in October	Bonnie & Renee	1 Year in October
Paul & Davon	3 Years in October	Julia & Aylin	1 Year in October
Susan & Elenia	2 Years in October	Shannon & Collin	1 Year in October
Arlene & Trinity	1 Year in October	Cherokee & Shelby	1 Year in October
Patricia & Doneste	1 Year in October		

Congratulations to our New Matches

Big Sister Rachel and Little Sister Precious
 Big Sister Patty and Little Sister Chakyra
 Big Brother Jonathan and Little Brother Marcus
 Big Sister Andrea and Little Sister Kyra