Little Sister, Danielle is newly licensed. Way to go, Danielle! Thanks to Big Sister, Michele, for taking the photo of our proud, licensed driver!

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All proceeds benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties.

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Big and Little Summer Fun
at the Dolphin Swim Club

Sunday, July 23, 2017 was the annual Big Brothers Big Sisters Summer Picnic and Pool Party. Once again, the party was hosted by the Dolphin Swim Club of Vineland. The day was filled with swimming lessons, good food, games and lots of summer fun! We give a BIG thanks to Coach Cascadia and the members of the Dolphin Swim Club for taking the time to host our kids and families. We had a blast, and it was a great day of sharing with special friends! THANK YOU!
Meet Little Sister Rylei and her Big Sister, Kristen!

School-Based Mentoring

September marks the beginning of another mentoring year for the School Based Mentoring Programs at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties (“BBBS”). The High School Mentoring Program pairs high school students with nearby elementary school students in before- and after-school programs supervised by BBBS staff. Currently, we have programs in Vineland, Bridgeton, and Woodstown. To participate, eligible Bigs must be enrolled in their local high school, doing well academically and socially, and complete an in-person interview. Little Brothers and Little Sisters are usually identified by teachers and guidance counselors or volunteer to participate in this fun and engaging mentoring program that focuses on social, academic and personal development.

The Adult School-Based Mentoring Program matches elementary- and middle-school students with adults to meet at school to have lunch together each week. School-based Bigs can be teachers, staff at the child’s school, active community members or local professionals who are able to break away for 45 minutes at lunch time. The short time it takes to meet at lunch once a week is all it takes to change a child’s life!

Our featured match is Little Sister Rylei and Big Sister Kristen who meet at Max Leuchter School in Vineland. Big Sister Kristen grew up helping out at BBBS, as her father, Phil DeRosa, was an active board member and Big Brother with BBBS of Cumberland County for many years. It is only fitting that Kristen would now become a Big Sister at the school where she works and Rylei attends, years later! They have a great time together, eating lunch and talking while Rylei “helps” Kristen at work, usually once a week.

It only takes a “Little” to make a “Big” difference as a School Based Big! BBBS currently seeks 40 new volunteers in the Adult School Based Mentoring Program, with Littles waiting to be matched in each location:

- VINELAND- Max Leuchter, D’Ippolito, and Veterans Memorial Schools
- MILLVILLE- Silver Run, Holly Heights, and Lakeside Middle Schools
- BRIDGETON- Indian Avenue School
- SALEM - Salem Middle School
- WOODSTOWN - location to be determined

Please spread the word to friends, family, and businesses in the community who might become School Based Bigs this school year! And if you have 45 min-1 hour to share lunch with a child once a week, we have a Little who needs YOU to spark a smile and play a game of Uno.”
The Support Mentoring Campaign goal is to raise $500,000 to initially build Big Brothers Big Sisters’ endowment fund. The fund will help offset the costs of professionally supported one-to-one mentoring relationships in the future.

It costs an estimated $1500 each year to develop and maintain each one-to-one mentoring relationship. There is no fee for the volunteers or children who participate in the mentoring programs.

In 2016, the agency served more than 300 youth and achieved significant immediate impact, while laying the groundwork for future productive citizens.

Big Brothers Big Sisters plans to serve 340 children in 2017, and to grow its sustainable funds to provide for continued growth in the future.

A HUGE THANK YOU to several notable community leaders who have supported the Support Mentoring Campaign. Because of you we have raised $403,000 out of $500,000.

For more information on Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties, call 856-692-0916 or online at www.southjerseybigs.org.
Join us on “Giving Tuesday”
November 28th

**Rise & Shine Breakfast**

Centerton Country Club
1002 Almond Road, Pittsgrove, NJ

7:30 – 8 a.m. Mix and Mingle
8 – 9 a.m. Program and Breakfast

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**A Little Goes A Long Way**

Learn first-hand from our grown-up Littles how your investment has impacted their lives.

“As a little growing up in this big world I am so very happy to have had Dawn with me every step of the way since the day we met. From day 1 Dawn has helped me through a lot. Since we were matched, she has been there through it all supporting me and always giving me great advice. I am so very grateful to have had Dawn as my big sister all these years.”

— past Little Sister, Niyah, age 19

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Pictured (L to R): Dawn Hunter, BBBS Board Member, Donna Bennett, BBBS President/CEO; Katherine Durante, OceanFirst Foundation Executive Director; and Ed Geletka, Senior Vice President of Gov. Banking & Comm. Relations from OceanFirst Bank.

Katherine Durante, Executive Director of OceanFirst Foundation presented Donna Bennett, President & CEO of BBBS of Cumberland & Salem Counties with a check for $7,500 to help support their local one-to-one mentoring programs.

Inspired by the organization’s mission and vision, Adult School Based Mentoring takes place inside the enrolled child’s school, typically during the child's lunch time or recess period. Employees of local companies, members of law enforcement, veterans, retirees, seniors, and college students are able to mentor during the work day or school day within a secure setting. The volunteer Big Brothers or Big Sisters act as advocates within the school for the child they mentor. In addition, by focusing on prevention, our program supports community sustainability, primarily by encouraging youth to make good choices, laying the groundwork for their future, so that they in turn, can practice responsible citizenship as adults. Annually it costs the organization $1,500 to maintain each professionally supported one-to-one mentoring relationship.
September / October Events

Date | Event
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Sep. 1 – 30 | National Hunger Action Month
Until October 8th | All American Car Raffle
Oct. 13 – 15 | 14th Annual South Jersey Pumpkin Show. Contact: 856-765-0118 or www.sjpumpkinshow.com
Oct. 27 (8:30 pm) | Movies on The Ave, Vineland (“The Good Dinosaur” – Contact 856-794-8653 www.theave.biz
Oct. 28 | Pumpkin Patch Party on The Ave, Vineland (12 noon to 2 pm) – Contact 856-794-8653 www.theave.biz
Oct. 29 | Hallow-Wheaton’s Trick or Treat and Children’s Show

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