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NEWSLETTER
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PROTECT YOUR CHILDREN

Over 150 thousand children are reported missing from their homes each year - that's over 400 per day.
Thousands of these are taken away against their will, under circumstances that immediately place them in great danger. The FBI has conducted numerous investigations into child pornography and sex rings which abduct, buy and sell children nationwide and internationally. An estimated four to eight thousand of these children are later found dead. Two to three thousand others are murdered and remain unidentified.

Teach Your Children
- that most people are strangers.
- not all strangers are nice.
- to tell you when any adult asks them to keep a secret.
- how to use the telephone, including long distance calling and the use of pay telephones.
- their complete address, including house number, street, city, county and state.
- their complete telephone number, including area code, and that of the police / sheriff.
- the full name of their guardian.
- to go immediately to a law officer should they become lost or frightened.
- to kick and scream and cry out for help should anyone try to take them away against their will.
- to run away and to the first adult they see, should they be taken against their will.
- to keep the doors and windows locked when they are home alone, and not to answer the door to anyone but family members.

Warn Your Children
- never to go into other people's houses without your permission.
- never to go into buildings, vacant lots, automobiles or other areas without your permission.
- never to go anywhere with anyone without your permission - even if the person says he has your permission.
- not to accept gifts or candy or anything from strangers and to tell you when anyone offers them anything, for any reason.
- never help strangers look for something, not even a lost puppy.
- not to obey the orders of strangers.
- never to tell anyone they are home alone - not even on the telephone.

National Neighborhood Watch

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Introducing...

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother team:

**LIONEL SLOPE / ROBERT LADY**
- Lionel has been an active Big Brother since 1973. He has taken Little Brother Bobby Lady as an additional assignment. Bobby is 11 years old and is a 5th grader at Lincolshire Elementary School.

**January Anniversaries**

- Jack Barr (6 yrs.) Ed Cunningham
- Fred Barrett (4 yrs.) Jason Barnhart
- Edward Distad (1 yr.) Timmy Feigley

**Calendar**

- Wednesday, January 24, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
  - 88 Monthly Board of Directors meeting
  - Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

- Wednesday, February 28, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
  - 88 Monthly Board of Directors meeting
  - Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

- Saturday, March 10, 1990, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
  - BB/OS Skate Party at Starrland.

- Sunday, March 25, 1990, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
  - Big Brothers/Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake
  - Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

**WANTED: Big Brothers!**

We need your help! We are in need of more Big Brothers to match with the boys waiting anxiously in our files. We currently have 16 Little Brothers waiting many months due to the shortage of volunteers.

If you know someone who you feel would make a good Big Brother, urge him to give us a call. Being a Big Brother doesn't require money, but it does require time. Perhaps you know someone who has that time and can be that Big Brother. PLEASE help us recruit!
READ ANY GOOD MAGAZINES LATELY?

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We hope everyone saw the article "Buddies through thick and thin" about Bob John Stonebraker and Joe Ryan Gladhill in the DAILY MAIL on December 22, 1989.

Thank you!

- To Greenwald Enterprises for their donation of a Macintosh 512K.
- To the Exchange Club of Antietam for their invitation to several of our waiting list Little Brothers to participate in their Christmas Party.
- To The EverReady Class of The First Christian Church for their generous donation to our program.

INCOME TAX TIME

IRS Ruling 70-517 is favorable to those Big Brothers who itemize on Form 1040. The ruling says "out of pocket expense" made on behalf of a Little Brother is a deductible charitable expense. The IRS has ruled that reasonable, unreimbursed layouts for "swimming, attending a movie and the like" are deductible. The IRS permits no deduction for a Big Brother's own expense, because he benefits in return. The charitable mileage rate for 1989 is 12¢ per mile.

You need to be prepared to substantiate the deductions you claim.

The Bottom Line - Children have more need of models than of critics.

Joseph Joubert
Introducing...

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother teams:

DAVID KEEPER / JASON STOTTLEMYER -
Dave has been an active Big Brother since 1968. He has taken Jason Stottlemyer as an additional assignment. Jason is 10 years old and a 5th grader at Emma Kay Doub Elementary School.

 CRAIG NEWCOMER / CHRISTOPHER HAMBY -
Craig is new to our program. He has taken Little Brother Chris Hamby for his assignment. Craig is employed as a sales agent by Bankers Life and Casualty. Chris is 8 years old and is a 2nd grader at Lincolnshire Elementary School.

 CRAIG WISHARD / DONG REED -
Craig is a newcomer to our program. He has taken Little Brother Doug Reed for his assignment. Craig is a salesman for M.M.K. Enterprises. Doug is 9 years old and is a 3rd grader at Lincolnshire Elementary School.

Wednesday, February 28, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Saturday, March 10, 1990, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
BB/BS Skate Party at Starland.
Details on enclosed flyer.

Sunday, March 25, 1990, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Big Brothers/Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake
Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

Wednesday, March 28, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

WE NEED BIGS!

Remember, if everyone could just recruit one volunteer, we would have all the volunteers we need.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

The Cooperative Extension Service of the University of Maryland is offering "The Me I Can Be" program again this year. This program is specifically for eighth grade youth that are moving into their high school years. Topics for the one day program include self-confidence, goal setting, communications, relationships and much more.

All eighth grade Little Brothers may attend "The Me I Can Be" free of charge on Saturday, March 17th from 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required so call the agency office no later than February 22, 1990 with attendance plans.

Thank you!

- To Nick Giannaris for donating the Christmas gift from his employees to our program.
- To Irene Agius for her generous donation of Christmas gifts which were distributed to one of our Little Brothers and brightened his Christmas.
- To the following persons who have recently made generous contributions to our agency: Cinda Franklin, Ava Gift, Dorothy Meyer, Richard Powers and Olga Sweeney.
- To Mr. Michael Spickler and 81 Equipment Rental, Inc. for the generous donation to our program.
- To The Maryland Theatre for their donation of tickets to the Kids' Play "Mammoth Follies."

SOAP BOX DERBY

The Soap Box Derby is an American tradition which dates back 50 years. The designs of the soap box racers have changed since the 1900's but one of our biggest assets remains the same - the undying inquisitiveness to know what makes something tick.

The youth of today have good ideas about how to design some things to make them work better. The soap box racer is one example of these ideas.

Plans are now underway for the 1990 Soap Box Derby. For more information contact Raymond Bolton at 790-2525.
Thanks to you
It's working
The United Way

Success!! The 1989 United Way Campaign has ended with $1,450,008.20 raised. The Annual Meeting of the United Way of Washington County was held on Wednesday, January 31, 1990.

A big salute goes to Campaign Chairman Robert Rankin and all of the many volunteers who made the success possible.

Our thanks go to those in the Big Brother program who contributed time and money to help make the 1989 United Way Campaign the most successful ever!!

ON STAGE
AT THE MARYLAND THEATRE

King of the Blues, B.B. King and Lucille will appear at The Maryland Theatre on Sunday, March 4th in two big shows at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Riley B. "Blues Boy" King tickets go on sale February 5th at The Maryland Theatre Box Office.

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Our sincere sympathy to Big Brother Lionel Swope, Honorary Advisory Board member Dale Swope and their families on the recent passing of their mother, Fannie K. Swope.

One of our newest Big Brothers, Craig Newcomer and Stacey Ford were joined in marriage on September 9, 1990, a picture of loving couple appeared in the HERALD MAIL on December 2nd.

Join
Big Brothers
739-4711

BOWL FOR
KIDS' SAKE
BIG BROTHERS/SAKE

The sixth annual Bowl For Kids' Sake event will be held on Sunday, March 25, 1990 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Turner's Dual Lanes. The event will offer both duck and ten pins.

We need everyone's help to make this a successful fund raiser. Bigs and Littles are encouraged to form a team or join a team and bowl.

There will be plenty of door prizes available and every bowler will receive a memento for participating. Some nice grand prizes will be given away.

All monies raised from "BKES'" stay in Washington County to help us expand services to even more children.

Your support and participation is needed to make this event successful.

KIDS' PLAY - FREE TICKETS

The Maryland Theatre is offering a series of productions especially for children this winter season. The Kids' Plays second production is "Betwixt 'N Between" on February 25th, and the last in the series will be "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" on March 17th. All Kids' Play productions are at 3:00 p.m. in the afternoon.

Free tickets are available for both Big and Little Brothers who wish to attend the productions.

To reserve your tickets call the agency office at 739-4711.

The Bottom Line -
"You've got to do your own growing, no matter how tall your grandfather was."
Irish Proverb
Introducing...

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother team:

DOMINIC MANFRE / VINCENT MULISANO -
Don is employed by Fairchild Space Center. He has been an active Big Brother since 1987. He has taken Vincent Mulisano as his new assignment. Vincent is 12 years old and is a 7th grader at Northern Middle School.

Sunday, March 25, 1990, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

Wednesday, March 28, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, April 25, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Birthday wishes to agency caseworker, Alon Shany. March 9th marked another year.

Best Wishes to Fred and Lisa Barrett on their marriage on February 24th. Fred is a Big Brother and Board President. Lisa is the sister of BB Doug Footer.

Our sincere sympathy to BB Dave Keefe and his family on the recent passing of his mother, Hanna May Pool.

FREE TICKETS

Tickets are available to the Hagers- town Suns vs. the Canton Indians game on Monday, April 9, 1990 at 7:05 p.m.
For tickets call the agency office at 739-4711.

Thank you!

- To Michael Karn for his generous donation to our program.
- To The Maryland State Police and The Washington County Sheriff's Department for designating our program as one of the beneficiaries of their February 18th flag football game.

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JUST A BOY . . .

Got to understand the lad —
He's not eager to be bad;
If the right he always knew,
He would be as old as you,
Were he now exceeding wise,
He'd be just about your size;
When he does things that annoy,
Don't forget — he's just a boy.

Could he know and understand,
He would need no guiding hand;
But he's young and hasn't learned.
How life's corners must be turned.
Doesn't know from day to day
There is more to life than play.
More to face than selfish joy.
Don't forget — he's just a boy.

Being just a boy he'll do
Much you will not want him to;
He'll be careless of his ways,
Have his obedient days.
Wilful, wild and headstrong, too,
He'll need guidance kind and true;
Things of value he'll destroy,
But reflect — he's just a boy.

Just a boy who needs a friend,
Patient, kindly to the end;
Needs a friend who will show
Him the things he wants to know.
Take him with you when you walk,
Listen when he wants to talk,
His companionship enjoy,
Don't forget — he's just a boy.

— Anonymous

MARCH 25, 1990
TURNER'S DUAL LANES

OUR AGENCY HAS RECENTLY JOINED THE
ADOPT A HIGHWAY PROGRAM. WE HAVE ADOPTED
THE STRETCH OF MARYLAND ROUTE 144 BETWEEN
U.S. 40 AND THE HAGERSTOWN CITY LIMITS.
TWO SIGNS HAVE BEEN PLACED ON THIS MILE
RECOGNIZING THE BIG BROTHERS OF WASHING-
TON COUNTY AS HAVING ADOPTED THIS SECTION
OF ROADWAY.
WE HAVE A TWO YEAR COMMITMENT TO CLEAN
OUR ADOPTED HIGHWAY FOUR TIMES EACH YEAR.
THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION WILL
SUPPLY US WITH COMPLETE SAFETY TRAINING,
SAFETY GEAR, SAFETY EQUIPMENT, A "SWAT
TEAM WORKING" SIGN AND TRASH BAGS FOR USE
DURING OUR CLEAN UP ACTIVITIES.

THE BOTTOM LINE —
Opportunity is missed by most people
because it is dressed in overalls and
looks like work.

— Thomas Edison
THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

For more than eighty-five years, men have been volunteering to help at-risk children by becoming Big Brothers. These carefully selected adults are matched with boys, primarily from single-parent homes, on a one-to-one basis. They serve as role models and mentors, under the supervision of trained caseworkers, providing the Little Brothers with needed friendship and guidance when they need it most. Because someone cares for them, these children care about themselves and their future.

The week of April 22-28 has been designated Big Brothers/Big Sisters Volunteer Appreciation Week, during which everyone has an opportunity to express his gratitude and appreciation, not only to the volunteers themselves, but also to everyone who supports this worthy and very necessary activity.

As BB/ASA celebrate "Appreciation Week", we want to express our appreciation to each of our Big Brothers for their commitment to their Little Brother of time, energy and love.

- Gary Bachman
- Jack Barli
- Charles Cochran
- Gregg Delauney
- Doug Diery
- Joseph Godlove
- Dave Keefer
- Robert Kuehn
- Sterling Meyer
- Greg Needham
- John Negley
- Ned Reed
- George Rowe
- Brian Snyder
- John Stonebreaker
- Thomas Van Hoek
- Craig Wishard
- David Baker
- Fred Barrett
- Richard Dawson
- Edward Distad
- Maynard Giggles
- Gordon Hurlbut
- Jay Koch
- Domnic Manfre
- Gary Naugle
- Craig Newcomer
- Nick Pradel
- Charles Roe
- Dave Smith
- Joseph Stone
- Lionel Sweepe

We also want to express our thanks to each of our Volunteer Board Members for their dedication to the total program.

- Fred Barrett
- Thomas Cochrane
- G. Scott Davis
- Doug Diery
- Raymond Holton
- John Huse
- Sterling Meyer
- John Paillas
- Buddy Riser
- Elizabeth Taylor
- Gary Weaver

We know all of our volunteers give their very best!! For that, we express a big THANKS!!

Bob Monica Alan

Calendar

Wednesday, April 25, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Monday-Tuesday, May 7-8, 4:30 & 3:00
Clyde Beatty Cole Brothers Circus

Sunday, May 20, 1990, Big Brothers Car Rally. Details next month.

Wednesday, May 23, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, June 13, 1990, 6 p.m.-9 p.m.
BB/LB Family Picnic/Swim, Martin Snook Park. Mark this date on your calendar!

For Sale - 17 ft. Coleman Swassen Camper. Like new. $225.00 Firm. Contact caseworker Alan Shane.
Thank You, Volunteers!

April 21st was designated statewide as Maryland's official Earth Day. The Big Brothers along with many other groups planned activities for this eventful day. We had our first cleanup of our adopted highway to coincide with the 20th Anniversary of Earth Day. Those who helped with the Saturday, April 21st cleanup were:

BB and Adults
Gary Bachman, Fred Barrett, Ed Bistad, Ray Holton, Bob Acker, Jack Pandel, Ned Reed, Alan Shane and Lionel Swope

LB and Children
Tim Feigley, Wayne Gossett, Robby Lady, Tony Nave, Chris Parnell, and Ron Shone

Thank you!

- To the following persons who have recently made generous contributions to our agency: Stewart Lelliswitz, Gloris McKea, Cora Matthews, Catherine Marnock, Carolyn Redmond, Rosie Spessard, Ray Stouffer, Nancy Swope, Louis Troppman.

- To Jackie Corde for her donation of tickets to World Championship Wrestling.

- To Barbara Donaldson for hosting the roller skating party.

- To Paul Frank and the Maryland Theatre for their donation of tickets to the Kids' Play "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow".

Fishing Derby

The Frank Walton League of America and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources are sponsoring a Fishing Derby on April 28, 1980. The event will be held along the Gunpowder Creek close to route 40. Registration will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Wood poles and bait will be provided or bring your own (no crawlers or worms).

This event is free for both children and adults. However we must RSVP, so please call the agency office and let us know your plans as soon as possible.

The Third Annual "Hooked On Fishing International Derby" will take place at Greenbrier State Park the morning of Saturday, May 5th. The event will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 12 p.m.

The park gate fee will apply that day, but the event is free. Bring your own fishing gear and bait (no live minnows). So plan to head to Greenbrier State Park on May 5th and enjoy the activities!

Clyde Beatty Cole Bros. Circus

Tickets will be available for the Clyde Beatty Cole Bros. Circus, sponsored by Emmet Kelly Tent #41, C.F.A. Performances will be on Monday and Tuesday, May 7th and 8th at 4:30 and 8:00 p.m.

For ticket information call the agency office at 739-4711.

The Bottom Line - If everyone gives one thread, the poor man will have a shirt.

Russian Proverb
Thank you!

- To the following persons who have recently made generous contributions to our agency: Bernard Barnes, Larry Cullen, Ed Distad and Red Reed.

- To Mr. Brinton Keeseeman and the Smithsburg Market and Dr. Benjamin Weiser for their donation of tickets to the Hagerstown Suns opening game.

- To Board Member Jerry Rafter for his generosity in doing some of the office printing free of charge.

- To Mr. Pete Powell, Display Manager at J.C. Penney Co., for loaning us two mannequins for our display in the Frostburg State University Center window during the month of April.

To The Washington County Restaurant & Beverage Association for their generous contribution to our agency.

THINGS TO DO

* May 19 NATIONAL PIKE WAGON TRAIN ENCAMPMENT & ENTERTAINMENT, Hagerstown Fairgrounds.
* May 19-20 NATIONAL PIKE FESTIVAL, Celebration of Route 40 - the road that made the nation.
* May 25-June 2 GREAT BOONSBORO RESCUE COMPANY CARNIVAL, Shafer Memorial Park.
* May 25-27 WASHINGTON COUNTY STREET RODS, Hagerstown Fairgrounds.
* May 26-27 15TH ANNUAL FORT FREDERICK RENDEZVOUS, Fort Frederick State Park.
* May 26-27 HALFWAY PARK DAYS, Martin L. "Marty" Snook Memorial Park, Sat. 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Sun 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
* June 1 CIRCUS: KELLY-MILLER BROTHERS Presented by MD Troopers Association, Hagerstown Speedway. Free tickets will be available at the agency office. Shows at 4:30 & 7:30 p.m.
* June 3 MUZZLE LOADER SHOOT, Fort Frederick State Park, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
* June 10 "BIG FOOT," BOONSBORO MUD BOG, Hagerstown Fairgrounds.
* June 15-16, HAGERTFEST - '90, Public Square, Downtown Hagerstown, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

For additional information on any of these events, call the Washington County Tourism office at 791-3130.

Introducing...

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother team:

JOSEPH GODLOVE / JASON SOCKS:
Joe is a newcomer to our program. He has taken Little Brother Jason Socks for his assignment. Joe is employed as a mason by Richard Hensler. Jason is 11 years old and is a 6th grader at E.R. Hicks Middle School.

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Brian Snyder (6 yrs.) David Timlinson
Charles Cusicka (11 yrs.) Jeff Resseger
Gary Naugle (11 yrs.) Dard Stephens

Calendar

Sunday, May 20, 1990, 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Big Brothers Car Rally. (Details on enclosed flyer)

Wednesday, May 23, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, June 13, 1990, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
BB/LB Family Picnic/Swim, Martin Snook Park. Mark this date on your calendar!

Wednesday, June 27, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

postponed

Congratulations go to LB Jack Winters for making the Honor Roll the 3rd marking period this year. Jack is a 5th grader at Western Heights Middle School.

We apologize to Big Brother and Board Member Sterling Meyers. We failed to include him in the list of helpers on the Adopt-A-Highway project April 21st. Sorry Sterling!
Arby's and You supporting BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS

Beginning in June, the Sybr owned Arby's Restaurants will once again sell coupon booklets to benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Our local Arby's Restaurant is located in the Valley Mall.

The purpose of this project is to generate additional funds for local agencies and to create awareness of our need for additional volunteers.

For each booklet sold for $1.00, Big Brothers/Big Sisters will receive $.80 and the national organization and Arby's-Hank Aaron Big Brothers/Big Sisters Scholarship Fund will receive $.10. The balance pays for the printing and distribution costs of the booklets.

Help Arby's make the difference! Stop in the Valley Mall Arby's during June and purchase a couple of the coupon booklets. You'll get some valuable coupons and Big Brothers/Big Sisters will receive some additional funds.

EXPLORE ALL THE ADVANTAGES!

Passport Club cards for 1990 are now available at the agency office! Your Passport Club card offers you twice the savings during "Double Your Fun Days" in May. Passport Club savings of $1.75, available throughout the regular operating season, are doubled to $3.50 per person in May, 1990.

During regular operating days in May, all Passport Club card holders and their families and friends will receive DOUBLE the regular Passport Club discount for a $3.50 savings per person off the general admission rate of $20.95.

The Old Country, Bush Gardens is located four miles east of historic Williamsburg, Virginia. During May, Bush Gardens is open May 5 and 6, May 12 through 31. Opened daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. except May 27, when they will close at midnight.

FISHING DERBY

The Hagerstown Lodge No. 378 of B.P.O.E. will be holding their annual Fishing Rodeo for the children of Washington County on Saturday, June 2, 1990. This event is held at the Elks picnic grounds on Route #63, north of Hueters crossroads. This event is open to children through the age of 12. Prizes and refreshments will be given to all, and a free lunch will be served at noon.

Fishing will start at 10 a.m. and end at noon with prizes given out at 1 p.m. Each child must bring their own rod and bait.

T-Shirts Available

Big Brother T-shirts in both men's or boys sizes are available...stop by and purchase yours today!!!

The Bottom Line - It's good to have your feet on the ground, but keep them moving.

Arnold Glasgow
Thank you!

- To Lena Gaylor who recently made a generous contribution to our agency.
- To the members of Emmet Kelly Tent No. 41 for their donation of tickets to the Clyde Beatty Cole Brothers Circus.
- To the members of the Western Maryland Troopers Association for their donation of tickets to the Kelly-Miller Bros. Circus.

THERE IS A HEAVEN FOR VOLUNTEERS

Many will be shocked to find when the day of judgement nears, there's a special place in Heaven set aside for Volunteers; furnished with big recliners, satin couches and footstools, where there's no Committee Chairman, no group leaders, no car pools. No eager team that needs a coach, no bazaar and no bake sale. There will be nothing to staple, not one thing to fold or mail. Telephone lists will be outlawed, but a finger snap will bring, cool drinks and gourmet dinners and rare treats fit for a King. Who'll serve those privileged few and work for all they're worth? Why, all those who reaped the benefits and NOT ONCE volunteered on Earth.

- Author Unknown
- From The Exchange

CASEWORKER NOTICE

It is a MUST that Alan Shane, the agency caseworker, talk with you on a regular basis. Sometimes, when he calls you he finds you too busy or unable to talk. If you tell him you will call him back, PLEASE do so! It can be very frustrating to wait for return calls that never happen. PLEASE return his calls! When he is able to do his job, it helps everyone.

Wednesday, June 27, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, July 25, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Friday-Sunday, August 17-19, 1990
Big/Brother Annual Camping Trip
Big Bear Lake, Blairs Valley, PA.
Watch for details in the July newsletter.

Gregory Nearchos (1 yr.) Michael Horst

JUNE ANNIVERSARY

watch for details in the July newsletter.

There was fun for all at the BB Car Rally on May 20th. Andy Conklin/Tony Lady were awarded 3rd place; Fred Damm/Tony Novak got 2nd place; and Bob McKee/Chris Furtwell and Pete Ringer carried 1st place.

We are sorry to report that Big Brother John Stonebraker is again hospitalized at Johns Hopkins. We encourage everyone to send John a get well card, his address is: Mr. John E. Stonebraker, 4V Johns Hopkins Hospital Oncology, 11 South, Room 261 600 North Wolfe Street Baltimore, MD 21205

The agency staff wish John and his wife, Kim, the very best, and pray for John's speedy recovery.

Our sincere sympathy to Big Brother Charles Rowe and his family on the recent passing of his mother, Hazel A. Row.

* * * OFFICE CLOSING * * *

THE AGENCY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 4TH FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY.
IT WILL REOPEN THURSDAY, JULY 5TH.
CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Congratulations and best wishes go to two of our Little Brothers upon their graduation from high school this year.

Andy Craig graduated from North Hagerstown High School on June 4th. Andy has been matched to Lionel Swepe for almost 6 years. Andy is employed by Bob Labels.

Edward Cunningham graduated from South Hagerstown High School on June 4th. Eddie was matched to Jack Barr for more than 6 years. Eddie has joined the USMC and will begin his tour September, 1990.

We wish both of them the very best in their future endeavors and also express our thanks to their volunteer Big Brothers for their years of involvement.

BOB MCKEE TO ATTEND
NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Bob Mckee, Local Executive Director, will be among delegates from more than 475 Big Brothers/Big Sisters agencies from 49 states in attendance at the 1990 National Conference.

The conference will be held June 18-22, 1990 in Dallas, Texas.

Those in attendance will be participating in workshops and symposiums. This year’s conference marks the 13th anniversary of the merger of Big Brothers of America and Big Sisters International into one organization.

During this time the agency office will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily. In case of an emergency please contact case worker Alan Shane at work (791-3199) or at home (223-7106).

SHRINE CIRCUS

Free Tickets are available for the Ali Khan Shrine Circus. The Circus will be held on Tuesday, June 19, 1990 at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The tickets are free for Big and Little Brothers.

For ticket information call the agency office at 739-4711.

REMEMBER

Big Brothers and Board Members, PLEASE remember you are responsible for calling in attendance plans when activities and meetings are held. We should not have to call you! We are on a limited phone budget and the cost to the agency is 10¢ plus tax for each outgoing call. Please phone in attendance plans by the date requested in the activity flyer/meeting notice. By calling the office, you will not only save the agency the expense, but free the staff for other necessary tasks. Thanks for your cooperation!

The Bottom Line – We cannot hold a torch to light another’s path without brightening our own.

Ron Sweetland

Hagerstown Suns

FREE TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO THE HAGERSTOWN SUNS VS. HARRISBURG SENATORS GAME ON SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 1990 AT 7:05 P.M. GATES OPEN AT 6:00 P.M.

FOR TICKETS PLEASE CALL THE AGENCY OFFICE AT 739-4711.
Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother team:

GARY BACHMAN / JASON SHRINER:

Gary has been involved in our program since 1988. He has taken Jason as his new assignment. Gary is Director of Youth Ministry at Trinity Lutheran Church. Jason is 7 years old and will begin the 2nd grade at Bester Elementary School in September.

- To Ali Ghan Shrine Temple and Colombo, Inc. for their donation of tickets to the Shrine Circus in Hagerstown on June 19th.
- To David Smith for chairing the Family Picnic/Swim event.
- To Mrs. Jenny Deliotti for her excellent fresh fruit salad and help with the Family Picnic/Swim event.
- To John Bear, B.P. Lesby Distributing Co. and Citicorp Credit Services for their donation of tickets to the Hagerstown Sun games.
- To the following persons who have recently made generous contributions to our agency: Ed Bissell and Clarke Haynes.

Special Events in Washington County

During the next month, several special events occur that would be fun for Big and Little Brother teams to attend. For further information, call Washington County Tourism at (301) 791-3130. Some of the events are:

July 22 TRUCK SHOW, Washington County Tractor Pullers Assoc., Hagerstown Fairgrounds.
August 3-11 THE GREAT HAGERSTOWN FAIR, Hagerstown Fairgrounds.
August 4-5 JONATHAN HAGER FRONTIER CRAFT DAYS, Hager House, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
August 6-11 WASHINGTON COUNTY AG-EXPO FAIR, Hagerstown Speedway, Noon - 11 p.m.
August 11-12 LEITERSBURG PECAN FESTIVAL, Leitersburg Pecan Community Park.
August 12 Jousting Tournament, Fort Frederick State Park.
August 23-26 WILLIAMSPORT C & O CANAL DAYS, Byron Memorial Park, Williamsport.
MAKE A DIFFERENCE

As the old man walked the beach at dawn, he noticed a young man about to pick up a starfish and fling them into the sea. Finally, catching up with the youth, he asked him why he was doing this. The response was that the stranded starfish would die if left until the morning sun.

"But the beach goes on for miles and there are millions of starfish," countered the old man. "How can your effort make any difference?"

The young man looked at the starfish in his hand and said, "It makes a difference to this one." He then threw it to safety in the waves.

- Anonymous

In the swim

There is no substitute for knowing how to swim - to protect yourself and others. If you're going swimming, keep these safety tips in mind.

* Choose a safe place to swim, where there are lifeguards on duty. Don't go swimming in unfamiliar water without first checking out the water conditions.
* Never swim alone. The buddy system is most important when you're in the water. That goes for boating and fishing as well as swimming.
* Know your ability. Don't try to show off.
* Don't swim if you're chilled, overheated, overtired or in storms.
* Know the water conditions - the depths, tides and currents, the water temperature.
* Learn the rules of the swimming area and obey them.
* Don't run on the decks around pools.
* Don't drink alcohol and swim.
* Always have adult supervision for toddlers and small children.
* If you are a non-swimmer but like the water, stay in shallow water. Don't get in over your head.

PLAY IT SAFE

Ernst's Market to Host Chicken Bar-B-Q

Proceeds to Benefit Big Brothers of Washington County

The Chicken Bar-B-Q will be held Saturday, August 1st (rain or shine) from 10:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. at ERNST'S MARKET, located 2 miles East of Clear Spring on Dam #5 Road.

The Bar-B-Q will cost $4.00 per plate and will include 1/2 Chicken, Cole Slaw, and Baked Beans with Roll and Butter. Bluegrass music will be enjoyed from Noon - 2:00 p.m.

Come on out and enjoy the food and fun! The proceeds will be used to help underwrite the BB/LB Camping Trip scheduled for the weekend of August 17-19, 1990.

A SINGLE PARENT'S PRAYER

Lord, grant me

Time enough
to do all the chores, join in the games.
Help with the lessons, and say the night prayers
and still have a few moments left over for me...

Energy enough
to be bread-baker and breadwinner,

Knead it all and cover it all.

Hands enough
to wipe the tears,
to reach out when we're needed,
to hug and to hold, to tickle and touch...

Heart enough
to share and to care.

In listens and to understand,
and to make a loving home for my family.

The Bottom Line -

The best portion of a good man's life is his little, unremembered acts of kindness and love.

- William Wordsworth
You are cordially invited to attend the United Way of Washington County 1990 Campaign Kick-off. Date: Tuesday, September 18, 1990. Time: 4:30 to 7:00 PM. Place: Hagerstown City Park Bandshell, North Pavilion. Dutch Seal: Adults: $8.00, Children (4-12): $5.00. Children 3 and under no charge. Casual Attire. Please join us for an afternoon of games, entertainment, and the chance to meet agency representatives as we begin the 1990 campaign. Tickets must be purchased before the kick-off.

August Match Anniversary

BB

Dave Keefer (9 yrs.) Scott Royce

Calendar

Wednesday, August 22, 1990, 7:30 p.m. BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.


Tuesday, September 4, 1990
Summer Vacation Ends - Back to School!

Wednesday, September 18, 1990, 7:30 p.m. BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Saturday, September 29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Big/Little Brother Hike/Cook-out Route 491 to Pen Mar County Park Mark this date on your calendar.

The Chicken Boa-B-Q held at Ernst’s Market on August 4th was enjoyed by all who attended.

Congratulations to Big Brother Gary Backman on his engagement to Diana Davis.

*** OFFICE CLOSING ***

The agency office will be closed on Monday, September 3rd for Labor Day.

Thank you!

- To American Legion Morris Frock Post #42 for sending 5 of our Little Brothers to Camp West Mar this year.

- To B.P.O. Elks Lodge #378 who have recently made a generous contribution to our agency.

- To the Women of the Moose, Hagerstown Lodge No. 212 who have recently made a contribution to our program.

- To The Sinnisne Foundation and The Kershner Sisters Foundation who have recently made a grant to our agency.

- To VFW Post No. 1936 who have recently made a generous contribution to our agency.

- To Nancy Chambers who has recently made a contribution to our program.

READ ANY GOOD MAGAZINES LATELY?

If so, here’s a reminder that if you are in the market for magazine subscriptions, please call our friends at DIALAMERICA MARKETING, INC. They have a selection of about 100 magazine titles. Our agency receives a 12% share from every order and you get the LOWEST RATES available anywhere. Please call their toll free number 800-666-DIAL to place your order. You can order magazines for yourself or send gifts. Your friends, neighbors or relatives can do the same. If you are going to buy magazine subscriptions, buy from DIALAMERICA and support the Big Brothers of Washington County, Maryland. You receive some good reading material and the agency receives a few dollars.

T-Shirts Available

Big Brother T-shirts in both men’s or youth sizes are available . . . stop by and purchase yours today!!!
"After meeting my Big Brother, 
I didn't feel lonely anymore..." 
Big Brother 
Age 11

Helping a child become 
more aware of his world and 
its opportunities is a fantastic 
experience... 
Big Brother

Back-to-School Resolutions for Parents

The best way to ensure a successful educational experience for your child—and be prepared to act effectively if any problems arise—is to form a collaborative relationship with the school at the start of the academic year. The National Committee for Citizens in Education (NCCE), a Maryland-based advocacy group, recommends the following actions:

- Set up appointments to meet your child's teacher and principal. Ask them to call you if your child has any problems—or if you can assist with school activities. Be realistic and specific about what volunteer help you can provide.
- Join a parents' group, PTA or PTO in your child's school. If none exists, investigate starting your own to help other parents become more involved. Call the NCCE Help Line at 800-NETWORK for advice about organizing an effective group.
- Make an appointment to visit your child's classroom. This will give you a better idea of the curriculum and daily schedule.
- Examine your child's school records at least once a year to review new documents and look for inaccuracies. You can request that any negative comments be removed; records should contain only data such as test scores and grades.
- Be well prepared for parent-teacher conferences with topics and questions you would like to cover. You have as much right to set the agenda of the meeting as the teacher does.

—Christina Ferrari

Wanna Go Fishing?

This year's Maryland Governor's Cup Fishing Tournament will be held on Sunday, August 26, 1990 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. The tournament's goal is to encourage youth to "Get Hooked on Fishing, Not on Drugs" by giving them the opportunity to see the outdoors and experience a fishing outing.

The entry fee will be $1.00. Each youth participating in the tournament will be eligible for fabulous prizes, the grand prize is a 150 Computer.

For those BB/LB teams wishing to join in the fun the closest tournament fishing location is Greenbrier State Park. For further information contact the agency office.

The Bottom Line —
The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.

—Edmund Burke

Saturday, September 29, 1990
12 noon - 4:00 p.m.
Hager Park Health Center
265 Mill Street
(Hagerstown)
Everyone Welcome
Enjoy the...

Music = Food = Games = Rides
Free Health Screenings = Prizes

Call (301) 541-7150 or 1-800-359-JHHP for more information
Thank you!

- To Big Brothers Charlie Rowe and John Negley for co-chairing the August camping trip again this year.
- To the Potomac Bass Anglers for hosting the Fishing Rodeo for our Little Brothers during the annual camping trip.
- To the many individuals, organizations and businesses that contributed to the success of the camping trip. Each have been individually thanked.
- To Russell Marks for his donation of tickets to the Oriole's game on the 12th of September.

Spring Hill Trout Pond

Enjoy the thrill of a trout tugging at your line and get caught up in the old-fashioned county charm. The Spring Hill Trout Pond is exclusively spring fed to assure you the best tasting top quality rainbow and golden trout available.

Opened year round, 7 days a week, from 8 a.m. till dark, they offer fish cleaning, pole rentals, bait and much more. No license is needed, no limit and no entrance fees. All fish caught must be kept and reported, trout cost $3.95 per pound.

The Spring Hill Trout Pond is having a "Kids Only Fishing Derby" on October 6, 1990 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Registration at 10:45 a.m. The entry fee of $20.00 includes 6 rainbow trout, cleaning and ice. Two grand prizes will be given away.

Spring Hill Trout Pond is located four miles NW of Shepherdstown on Spring Hill Farm on Marsh Road. For more information call The Spring Hill Trout Pond at 304/876-2814.

Join Big Brothers
739-4711
Lend Your Helping Hand... the United Way.

WHAT A WEEKEND

The 15th annual Big/Little Brother Camping Trip held the weekend of August 17-19 at Chickison's Big Bear Lake was enjoyed by more than 70 Bigs, Littles and others.

The Potomac Bass Anglers hosted a fishing rodeo on Saturday morning for the Little Brothers. The trophy for the most fish caught went to Bobby Lady. Courtney Taylor received the trophy for the biggest bass caught. And the trophy for the biggest fish went to Doug Reed.

The horseshoe tournament was held Saturday afternoon. Winners of the tournament were BB John Nagley and LB Mike Raya. Runners up were Mike Raya and LB Bobby Raya.

The scavenger hunt was won by the team of Todd Chaco, Jackie Cox, Chris Ponsell and Bobby Raya.

Everyone enjoyed their weekend in the mountains. The weather was in constant use. The volleyball games proved exciting. The fish were biting. The food was plentiful, and as always had that special taste.

For those Big and Little Brothers who spent the weekend in the mountains, the memories will remain of friends, new and old, of fun shared and of time that went too fast.

FREE TICKETS!

Free tickets are available for R.G. Smith and His Cavalcade of Magic on Saturday, September 29th at 7:30 p.m. The show is presented by the Chambersburg Little League and will be held at Faust Junior High School in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

Tickets are free for both Big and Little Brothers. For tickets and directions call the agency office at 739-4711.

United Way begins fund-raising

The United Way of Washington County will begin its busiest season of fund-raising on Tuesday, September 18, 1990 with the Kick-off of its "Giving is Ageless" Campaign. All twenty-one member agencies will have activities in Hagerstown City Park Bandshell/North Pavilion from 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The member agencies provide help for many people in our community. Last year alone over 100,000 people received help from one or more of these agencies. The help provided is not only desirable, but essential.

When it comes to helping people, it all comes down to you! Please give your fair share through payroll deduction where you work. Ask friends, neighbors and family to give to the United Way. The 1990 campaign goal is $1,510,000. Please help us meet this year's goal and help the people of Washington County.

KELLY WHITTINGTON BENEFIT DANCE

A benefit dance will be held on Friday, September 28, 1990 from 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. at Hagerstown Moose Lodge #212. All proceeds will go into a fund for Kelly Whittington. The band "Reaction" will play top 40 music during the evening. Tickets are available at the agency office, $10.00 single and $15.00 couple.

The Bottom Line -
Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do.

- John Wooden
Wednesday, October 24, 1990, 7:30 p.m.  
BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting  
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Thursday, October 25, 1990, 6:30 p.m.  
Big/Little Brother Halloween Party  
Details on the enclosed flyer.

Wednesday, November 14, 1990, 6:30 p.m.  
Big Brother Annual Dinner Meeting  
Make plans now to attend.

Thursday, Nov. 22 - Friday, Nov. 23  
Office Closed for Thanksgiving, will  
reopen Monday, November 26th.

Wednesday, December 5, 1990, 6:30 p.m.  
BB/LB Annual Christmas Dinner  
Mark this date on your calendar.

Wednesday, December 19, 1990, 7:30 p.m.  
BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting  
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

*SWIM OPPORTUNITY*  

Now that the weather is turning cold and it is getting dark earlier, we want to remind all Big and Little Brother teams of the swim opportunities available at the YMCA. The YMCA allows all BB/LB teams to participate in their Family Swim periods. The only requirement is that both Big and Little show their BB membership cards when checking in at the main desk.

Family Swim Period Winter Schedule:

**Large Pool**
- Friday: 8:45 - 10:00 p.m.
- Saturday: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**Small Pool**
- Monday, Wednesday: 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- Friday, Sunday: 12:30 - 3:00 p.m.

We want to thank the Hagerstown YMCA for this offer and encourage all of you to take a dip in the pool.

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**TIPS FOR BIGS**

When Your Little Has No Phone or It Has Been Disconnected

1. If possible, set up a regular schedule with your Little.
2. Talk to your Little's mother to see if there is a neighbor or relative's phone through which you could contact your Little or leave messages.
3. Each time you see your Little, pre-plan the time for your next visit. If you are unable to pre-plan each time for the next visit, send a postcard a few days ahead notifying the mother and child as to when you are coming by.
4. Teach your Little the proper use of the phone and give him a card with your address and phone number(s) on it.
5. If your Little is old enough, arrange for him to call you at work, if appropriate, while he is at school.
6. As a volunteer, you can call your Little's school and have a message left for him as to when you want to pick him up or to cancel a visit if necessary.
7. If your Little's mother has a work phone you can call, make arrangements through the mother for your visits.
8. If your Little is involved in regular activities such as church, scouts, or youth group, then check to see if there is a phone at the activity's location where you could reach your Little.
9. If your Little does not have the money to call you, send some quarters home with him with a set day and time to call you each week.
10. While coming home from work or running errands, stop by your Little's home to arrange a visit. If he is not home, be sure to leave a note.

From Caseworker's Friend

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We are pleased to report that Big Brother Charlie Rowe is recuperating nicely after having eye surgery.
WHAT IN THE WORLD IS DIALAMERICA?

"Someone called me the other evening and said they were selling magazines and Big Brothers would get a percentage of the subscription price. They said they were from DIALAMERICA. Is this on the up and up?" Many have asked us lately. Yes, DIALAMERICA is legitimate and they are a real help to Big Brothers, here in Washington County and BB/BS agencies all over the United States. Residents of the community are called on the phone and asked to subscribe to a leading magazine and told that the BB gets 12 1/2% of the order's price. We do get it and we are grateful.

RED RIBBON WEEK

In cooperation with The Washington County Board of Education, The Washington County Health Department, Substance Abuse Prevention Program is sponsoring Red Ribbon Week, to take place October 20-28, 1990. Red Ribbon Week is part of a national campaign sponsored by the National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth. The campaign promotes the message: "My Choice...Drug Free". Red Ribbons are available in the agency office.

OCTOBER MATCH ANNIVERSARIES

BB
Ed Distad (3 yrs.) Wayne Gossert
Tom Van Hecke (3 yrs.) Dwayne Frazier

** * AGENCY OFFICE OPEN * **

The Big Brothers office will be open on Saturday, October 27th from 6:30 p.m. till 10:00 p.m. during the 66th Annual Alsatia Mummers' Parade.
All Big and Little Brothers are invited to drop in. We will have refreshments.

Special Events in Washington County

Washington County Maryland
More than you can imagine

During the month of October, several special events occur that would be fun for Big and Little Brother teams to attend. For further information, call Washington County Tourism at (301) 791-3130. Some of the events are:

October 19-20 PUMPKIN FEST. & CRAFT SHOW, Leitersburg Grange Hall.

October 20 SCARECROW MAKING CONTEST, Hager House.

October 20 BATTLEFIELD HIKE, Antietam National Battlefield.

October 21 BATTLEFIELD BIKE TOUR, Antietam National Battlefield.

October 27 66TH ANNUAL ALSATIA MUMMERS' PARADE, Downtown Hagerstown, 7 p.m.

October 27-18 FALL FESTIVAL CRAFT SHOW, Venice Inn 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

October 31 GHOST WALK, Fort Frederick State Park, 7 p.m.

EDITORS NOTE

I would like to take this opportunity to let everyone know that my first child is due on October 30th. Because of this I will be taking a leave of absence in the near future. I do plan to return to work as soon as possible. But until I do, please remember how busy the end of the year is. If you have spare time and are willing to help, let Bob know. Your help will be very much appreciated!

The Bottom Line -

What do we live for, if not to make life less difficult for each other?

- George Eliot
Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother team:

MILTON STAMPER / NATHAN MONERY
Milton is a newcomer to our program. He has taken new Little Brother Nathan for his assignment. Milton is a co-owner of MiCar Construction Corp. Nathan is 9 years old and is a 3rd grader at Winter Street School.

Halloween Fun!

Thanks to Big Brothers Fred Barrett, Doug Fliey and Lionel Swope and Board members Cindy Cogan and Raymond Holton, a great time was had by all at our annual Halloween Party. Many Bigs, Littles and others enjoyed an evening of fright, games and good food.

A special thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Roger Fiery for again allowing us to have our annual Halloween Party at their home, Green Spring Farm.

November Match Anniversaries

BB
George Rowe (4 yrs.) Frank Shupp
Joe Stone (2 yrs.) Courtney Taylor
Ned Reed (1 yr.) Todd Chaco

As of November 15th, the 1990 United Way campaign had raised $1,064,991.70 which is 70.5% of the goal. To reach 100% of goal, $445,008.30 still needs to be raised. PLEASE GIVE YOUR FAIR SHARE! UNITED WAY DOLLARS BENEFIT ALL OF WASHINGTON COUNTY!

The agency office will be closed from Wednesday, November 21st at 5:00 P.M. until Monday, November 26th at 9:00 A.M.

Free tickets are available for Big and Little Brother teams for the Maryland Symphony Orchestra Christmas Concert to be held at the Maryland Theatre on Sunday, December 16th at 3:00 P.M.

The concert is sponsored by the First National Bank of Maryland. To obtain tickets, call the agency office at 739-4711.

Thursday, Nov. 22nd – Friday, Nov. 23rd
Thanksgiving Agency Office Closing
Office reopens Monday, November 26th

Wednesday, December 5, 1990 – 6:30 P.M.
Annual Big Brothers Christmas Dinner
Washington Sq. United Methodist Church
Complete details on the enclosed flyer.

Wednesday, December 19, 1990 – 7:30 P.M.
BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA
1991 BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE

Yes, it will soon be that time again. Time to start our BIG fund-raiser of the year.

The date has been set. It will be held on Sunday, April 7, 1991 from 10:00 A.M. until 6:00 P.M.

The location will again be Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway in Hagerstown. As in previous years, bowlers will have a choice of duck or ten pins. It will be free to all participants and we plan to give away some nice prizes.

Anyone willing to help can give us a call at the agency office - 739-4711. We can use all the help we can get.

Plan now to participate in the 1991 Bowl For Kids' Sake!

Thank you!

- To Lisa Barrett, Charlie Cushman, Julie Fiery, Kevin Hemphill, Cortland Head, Peter Perini and Jerry Rafter who performed the seance at the Halloween Party.

- To Richard C. Snyder, Jr. of the Governor's Office on Volunteerism, for being guest speaker at the Big Brothers Annual Dinner Meeting.

- To the Women of the Moose, Hagerstown Lodge No. 212, for their recent generous contribution to the agency's Activity Account.

- To Sybra, Inc. and the Valley Mall Arby's Restaurant for their generous contribution to our program from monies raised on the sale of Arby's coupon booklets.

- To Big Brother Ed Distad and Ms. Joann Steigerwald for their generous contributions to our program.

** OPEN FORUM **

A merger of the local Big Brothers and Big Sisters programs is currently being considered by a Merger Study Committee. Representing the Big Brothers on the committee are Board members Cindy Cogan and John Paislas.

To obtain input from Bigs, Littles, Littles' Mothers, Board members and any other interested parties, an open forum will be held on Wednesday, November 28, 1990 in the Home Federal Building at 33 Summit Avenue beginning at 7:00 P.M. Parking is available adjacent to the building.

The Merger Study Committee will present their findings to date, accept input from those in attendance and field questions pertaining to merger.

PLEASE make an effort to participate in this important forum.

- potpourri -

Best wishes to Board Member Thomas Cochran on his retirement from Janison Door Company on October 31st after 36 years of service.

Congratulations to Agency Secretary Monica Russell and her husband Clet on the birth of their first child, a son, Michael Stoyan on November 1st. Michael weighed in at 7 pounds and 65 ounces with a head full of blond hair.

We are happy to report that Big Brothers Doug Fiery, Sterling Hughes and Milton Stoppelz are all recuperating after recent surgery. Hopefully, all three will soon be back on their normal schedules.

Congratulations to Little Brother Larry Moore on being a member of the South High football team which finished a winning season by beating North High by a score of 22-16. Big Brother Gregg Delauney will be cleaning Larry's bedroom for the next couple of weeks after losing a bet on who would win the game. Gregg is a North graduate.
Introducing...

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother team:

GORDON HURLBURT / RICHARD (JOEY) STULL:

Gordon has been involved in the program since 1989. He has taken Joey for his new assignment. Gordon is employed by CBM Ministries, Inc. at Camp Joy - El. Joey is 12 years old and is a 6th grader at Northern Middle School.

- To Bob Maginnis for his donation of tickets to the Exchange Club of Hagerstown's Western Bar-B-Que.
- To The Support Group of the Washington Square United Methodist Church for hosting the Annual Christmas Dinner.
- To BB Gary Bachman for giving the invocation and delivering the Christmas message at the dinner.
- To BB John Negley for being Santa Claus at the Christmas Dinner.
- To The Jaycees of Hagerstown for the contribution of the Hagerstown Trivia games.
- To The First National Bank for their donation of tickets to the Maryland Symphony Orchestra Holiday Concert.
- To Michael Spickler, 81 Equipment Rental, Inc. and 81 Tank Testing for their generous donation to our program.
- To Harold Talhelm and Tri-State Roofing & Siding, Inc. for their generous donation to our program.

Wednesday, January 23, 1991, 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, February 27, 1991, 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Sunday, April 7, 1991, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Big Brothers/Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake
Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

T-Shirts Available
Big Brother T-shirts in both men's or boys' sizes are available...stop by and purchase yours today!!!

OFFICE CLOSING
The agency office will be closed for the Christmas holidays from 5:00 p.m., Friday, December 21st until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 2nd. The answering machine will be on during that time and the calls will be monitored. In case of an emergency, contact either Bob McKee at 739-2896 or Alan Shane at 223-7105. Do not hesitate to give either a call if you have concerns or need assistance.
THE SYMBOL
SAYS IT ALL

You've seen this symbol around—at health agencies, day care facilities, neighborhood centers, and of course, on all United Way posters and publications. But did you know the United Way symbol has a very simple, yet universal message? We've separated the design into its three elements to show you now it's actually a very thoughtful combination of three special messages.

At the bottom is a helping hand. The hand symbolizes the services and programs supported by the United Way that in turn support the people in our community.

The image in the center, based on the universal symbol of mankind, is cradled by the helping hand. It shows that all people are supported and uplifted by United Way efforts.

And a rainbow springs from the helping hand, representing the hope of a better life possible through the United Way. In these simple figures is the sum total of the United Way philosophy—to promote voluntarism, and to support voluntary organizations in their efforts to provide a better life for us all.

*ELECTION OF OFFICERS*

The 1991 slate of officers for the Board of Directors was elected at the November Annual Dinner Meeting.

Serving the agency in 1991 will be: Douglas Fiery, President; Cynthia Cogan, 1st Vice President; Edward Beachley, 2nd Vice President; James Haney, Treasurer; and Jerry Rafter, Secretary. Frederick Barrett will serve as Immediate Past President.

We feel certain that those individuals will provide the agency with strong leadership. They will need everyone's help if we are to see the program serve even more boys in 1991.

So, PLEASE say YES when they call on you for help.

*NEW BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED*

Seven individuals were elected to the Board of Directors at the recent Annual Dinner Meeting.

Those elected for three-year terms were Jack Hall, Raymond Holton, George Siebert, Lionel Swope and Gary Weaver.

Thomas Cochran and John Peillas were elected to two-year terms.

We do thank each of those individuals for agreeing to serve on the Board of Directors. We know they will make many contributions to the program with their time and talent.

*MEYER BERKSON V.I.P. AWARD*

The Big Brothers of Washington County presented the 1990 Meyer Berkson V.I.P. Award to Sterling Moyer.

The award is presented to an agency volunteer who has made an outstanding contribution that enhances the achievements of the organization.

Sterling has been involved in our program since 1967. He has been a Big Brother and has also served on the Board of Directors. Sterling chaired the Bowl For Kids’ Sake finance committee in 1989 and 1990.

Special CONGRATULATIONS go to Sterling Moyer, recipient of the agency’s Meyer Berkson V.I.P. Award for 1990.

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Big Brothers Fred Barrett, Doug Fiery, and Gary Naugle at the agency’s November 16th Annual Dinner Meeting. Each of the three have given seven years of service as active Big Brothers.

A special THANKS goes to all three men for those years of involvement and for the friendship and guidance they have given in working with their Little Brothers.
Fred Barrett (5 yrs.) Jason Barnhart
Craig Newcomer (1 yr.) Chris Hamby

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BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, February 27, 1991, 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Sunday, April 7, 1991, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Big Brothers/Sisters Bowl For Kids’ Sake
Turner’s Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

WANTED: Big Brothers!

We need your help! We are in need of more Big Brothers to match with the boys waiting anxiously in our files. We currently have 19 Little Brothers waiting assignment. Some of these boys have been waiting many months due to the shortage of volunteers.

If you know someone who you feel would make a good Big Brother, urge him to give us a call. Being a Big Brother doesn’t require money, but it does require some time. Perhaps you know someone who has that time and can be that Big Brother.

PLEASE help us recruit!

ANTITETAM EXCHANGE CLUB
presents
18th Annual Italian Festa
Sunday, February 3, 1991
The Venture Ballroom - 12 noon-5:30 p.m
Advance Sales 85.00
Purchased at door 97.00
Children 7 and under FREE
Plate Includes All You Can Eat
Penne/Bucatini - Spaghetti - Salad - Bread - Coffee - Tea - Milk
(Other Beverages Extra)
All proceeds returned to local charities
Call Bob at the agency office
to get your tickets!

10 STEPS TO HELP YOUR CHILD (or LITTLE) SAY "NO"

TALK WITH YOUR CHILD ABOUT ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS You can help change ideas your child may have that "everybody drinks, smokes, or uses other drugs."

LEARN TO REALLY LISTEN TO YOUR CHILD Your child is more likely to talk with you when you give verbal and nonverbal clues that show you are listening.

HELP YOUR CHILD FEEL GOOD ABOUT HIMSELF Your child will feel good when you praise efforts, as well as accomplishments, and when you correct by criticizing the action rather than the child.

HELP YOUR CHILD DEVELOP STRONG VALUES
A strong value system can give your child the courage to say "No" rather than listen to friends.

BE A GOOD ROLE MODEL Your habits and attitudes may strongly influence your child’s ideas about alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

HELP YOUR CHILD DEAL WITH PEER PRESSURE
A child who has been taught to be gentle and loving may need your "permission" to say "No" to negative peer pressure.

MAKE RULES It’s helpful when you make specific rules about your child not using alcohol or other drugs or smoking cigarettes.

ENCOURAGE HEALTHY, CREATIVE ACTIVITIES
Hobbies, school events and other activities may prevent your child from using alcohol, tobacco or other drugs out of boredom.

TEAM UP WITH OTHERS You can join others in support groups that will reinforce the guidance you provide.

KNOW WHAT TO DO IF YOU SUSPECT A PROBLEM You can learn to recognize the telltale signs of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use and get help.

Prepared by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. Reprinted by the Office for Substance Abuse Prevention and distributed by the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information.
TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR VOLUNTEERS

A number of tax benefits are available to volunteers who itemize deductions on their returns. Volunteers may deduct certain unreimbursed out-of-pocket expenses directly related to your volunteer work.

Examples of the kind of expenses volunteers may deduct on federal income tax returns for volunteer related expenditures include:

* Bus and cab transportation expenses
* Parking costs and toll fees
* Automobile mileage and gas expenses
* Non-cash contributions of property (i.e. clothing, books, equipment)

Volunteers may deduct automobile expenses at a standard rate of 12 cents per mile or on an actual expense basis for the cost of gasoline.

For additional information on volunteer tax deductions, contact the Internal Revenue Service at 1-800-424-FORM and ask for publication #526, "Charitable Contributions."

Preparations for the seventh annual Bowl For Kids' Sake event have begun!

The Bowl For Kids' Sake event is designed to enlist bowlers from all over the area into one fund raising effort for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters programs in Washington County. The event will be held from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 7, 1991 at Turner's Dual Lanes. Both duck and ten pin bowling will be offered.

Those participating will be eligible to win some nice prizes.

We encourage you to form a team, raise funds through pledges and plan to come out on April 7th for some real fun!

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS DIALAMERICA?

"Someone called me the other evening and said they were selling magazines and Big Brothers would get a percentage of the subscription price. They said they were from DIALAMERICA. Is this on the up and up?" Many have asked us lately. Yes, DIALAMERICA is legitimate and they are a real help to Big Brothers here in Washington County and BB/BS agencies all over the United States. Residents of the community are called on the phone and asked to subscribe to a leading magazine and told that the BB gets 12 ½ of the order price. We do get it and we are grateful.

The bottom line -
A person often meets his destiny on the road he took to avoid it.

- Jean de La Fontaine
A big salute goes to Campaign Chairperson, Susan Elliott and all of the many volunteers who made the success possible.
Our thanks go to those in the Big Brother program who contributed time and money to help make the 1990 United Way Campaign the most successful ever!

Sunday, April 7, 1991, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Big Brothers/Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake
Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

Wednesday, April 24, 1991, 6:30 - 9 p.m.
BB/BS Skate Party at Starland Roller Rink
Little Lam - Free, Bigs - $2.50

Wednesday, April 24, 1991, 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Flying Kites Safely

1. Always use wood
2. Always use dry string when making your kite.
3. Only fly your kite when there is no rain.
4. Always keep your kite away from traffic.
5. Always electric wires.
6. Always electric lines.
7. Always electric power lines.
8. Always pull the string.
9. Always pull the string.
10. Never pull the string.

SUCCESS!
The 1990 United Way Campaign has ended with $1,514,868 raised.

Bowl For Kids' Sake

The seventh annual Bowl For Kids' Sake event will be held on Sunday, April 11, 1991 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Turner's Dual Lanes. The event will offer both duck and ten bowling.
There will be plenty of door prizes available and every bowler will receive a memento for participating. This year we have some nice incentive prizes and the grand prize is a trip to Florida for two.
All monies raised from "BBFS" stay in Washington County to help us expand service to even more children.
Your support and participation are needed to make the 1991 Bowl For Kids' Sake a success!

Member Agency
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America

Member Agency
Thank you!

- To Bruce Seilhamer for hosting the BB/BS Bowling Party.

- To The EverReady Class of the First Christian Church for their recent generous contribution to the agency.

SHRINE CIRCUS

Tickets are now available for the Ali Ghan Shrine Circus. The circus will be held on Saturday, April 6, 1991 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. This year the performances will be at the Hagerstown Junior College Athletic, Recreation & Community Center.

Tickets are free for Big and Little Brothers.

For ticket information call the agency office at 739-4711.

PLANT A TREE

Tree planters are needed on April 6th on the C & O Canal from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Trees will be planted in the Holand's Ferry area.

For more information call Walter McMahon at 739-4200.

Kings Dominion has announced that June 22 - June 30, 1991 has been designated "Big Brothers & Big Sisters Appreciation Days." Discount coupons will be sent to the agency office in May which will save you $6.00 off the $21.95 general admission price. Coupons will be available on a first come basis. Make plans now with your Big/Little Brother, family and friends to visit Kings Dominion during this special time.

REPORT CARD TIME

March 27th ends the 3rd marking period of the school year. Report cards should be received the week of April 1, 1991.

If your Little Brother doesn't show you his report card, ask to see it so you'll know how his grades are.

The bottom line -

I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore, there be any kindness I can show or any good thing I can do to any fellow human being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again.

- William Penn
THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

For more than eighty-five years, men have been volunteering to help at-risk children by becoming Big Brothers. These carefully selected adults are matched with boys, primarily from single-parent homes, on a one-to-one basis. They serve as role models and mentors, under the supervision of trained caseworkers, providing the Little Brothers with needed friendship and guidance when they need it most. Because someone cares for them, these children care about themselves and their future.

The week of April 21-27 has been designated Big Brothers/Big Sisters Volunteer Appreciation Week, during which everyone has an opportunity to express his gratitude and appreciation, not only to the volunteers themselves, but also to everyone who supports this worthy and very necessary activity.

As BB/BSA celebrate "Appreciation Week", we want to express our appreciation to each of our Big Brothers for their commitment to their Little Brother of time, energy and love.

Gary Bachman
Charles Cushwa
Edward Distad
Joe Godlove
David Keefer
Paul Loveless
Sterling Moyer
Greg Nearcho
John Negley
Charles Rowe
Brian Snyder
Joseph Stone
Lionel Swope
Craig Wishard
Fred Barrett
Greg Delauney
Douglas Fiery
Gordon Hurlburt
Robert Knyte
Dominic Manfre
Gary Naugle
Craigh Newcomer
Ned Reed
George Rowe
Milton Stamper
John Stonebraker
Thomas VanHecke
Thomas VanHecke
Craig Wishard

We also want to express our thanks to each of our volunteer Board Members for their dedication to the total program.

Fred Barrett
Thomas Cochrane
Douglas Fiery
William Hatcher
Raymond Holton
Cortland Mead
Craig Newcomer
Jerry Rafter
George Siebert
Elizabeth Taylor

We know all of our volunteers give their very best!! For that, we express a big THANKS!!

Bob Monica Alan
Thank you, Volunteers!

It's all over! April 7th was a huge success! Over $30,000 was pledged and we are now in the process of collecting the money and thanking everyone who participated in the project.

Special thanks go to Pam House of Big Sisters and John Fittels of Big Brothers for co-chairing this year's event. If you have any input on this year's event or suggestions, please direct them to the Big Brothers office at 739-4711.

Again, a big THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this year's Bowl For Kids' Sake event a great success.

Thank you!

- To the Ali Chan Shrine Temple for their donation of tickets to the Shrine Circus.
- To Delegate Peter Callas for his donation of tickets to the Sun's twin-opener.
- To Lou Scally and Heather Kahn for being the Honorary co-chair for the 1991 BB/BKS Bowl For Kids' Sake event.
- To Board Treasurer James Nancy for helping with the 1991 BFRS computer work.
- To BB Greg Nearchos & LB Michael Hors for posing for photographs taken by BB Lionel Swope. A photo will be used in the United Way brochure.

The worst mistakes parents make

Parents often worry about how good a job they're doing raising their children because they believe their mistakes can have painful long-term effects.

As part of a special report on parenthood, Ladies' Home Journal asked hundreds of parents of grown and almost grown children what they thought their worst failings were and what they wish they'd done differently. The following are everyone's list.

1. Criticizing too much:

Parents tend to criticize their children in ways they would never speak to an adult. Remarks that strike at the child, instead of the behavior, can be devastating. Moreover, such a Commons and words such as "always" and "never" make the child feel that the child is without any merit.

A parent should take five minutes to compliment him or herself and then direct the comments at the child, not the parent. Using the word "I" instead of "you" also helps to lessen the child's feeling of being attacked.

2. Tuning out needs:

Parents must remember that their children are different at each stage of development. For example, one parent took everything her toddler did as an intentional act of defiance, while the other parent pointed out that the child was merely at his age.

Understanding that a child's behavior is appropriate to his stage of development doesn't mean it has to be condoned. But acknowledging a complaint and offering help may open up the lines of communication.

A regular mental review of parenting techniques can help parents keep an eye on potential trouble spots and adjust their approach before it's too late.

The bottom line:

Go forth into the busy world and love it, interest yourself in its life, mingle kindly with its joys and sorrows, do what you can for others rather than what you can make them do for you. And you will know what it is to have friends.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Introducing... Thank you!

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother team:

**Bill Grove / Jason Reeder**

Bill is a newcomer to our program. He has taken Jason for his assignment. Bill is a salesmen with Rentals Unlimited, Inc. Jason is 9 years old and is a 4th grader at Boonsboro Elementary School.

Wednesday, May 15, 1991, 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, June 12, 1991, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
BB/LB Family Picnic/Swim, Martin Snook Park.

Wednesday, June 26, 1991, 7:30 p.m.
BB Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

**Charles Cusikwa (12 yrs.) Jeff Rosseger**

**Gary Naugle (12 yrs.) Kaed Stephens**

- To Lou Guerrero for his donation of tickets to the Baltimore Orioles vs. Texas Rangers game.
- To Barbara Donaldson and Starland Roller Rink for hosting the skating party.

Special Events in Washington County

During the month of May, several special events occur that would be fun for Big and Little Brother teams to attend. For further information, call Washington County Tourism at (301) 791-3130.

- May 18 NATIONAL PIKE WAGON TRAIN ENCAMPMENT & ENTERTAINMENT, Hagerstown Fairgrounds, Sat. 5 p.m.
- May 18-19 NATIONAL PIKE FESTIVAL, Celebration of Route 40 - the road that made the nation.
- May 24-June 1 GREAT BOONSBORO RESCUE COMPANY CARNIVAL, Shafer Memorial Park.
- May 25-26 FORT FREDERICK RENDEZVOUS, Fort Frederick State Park, 12:30 - 4 p.m.
- May 25-26 HALFWAY PARK DAYS, Marty Snook Memorial Park, Sat. 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
- May 31 KELLY-MILLER BROTHERS CIRCUS, Presented by MD Troopers Association, Hagerstown Speedway.
- June 9 MUZZLE LOADER SHOOT, Fort Frederick State Park, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.
- June 14-15 "HAGERFEST '91: WHAT A KICK!", Downtown Hagerstown, Fri. 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- June 15 CHILDREN'S DAY, Entertainment and art activities, Washington County Museum of Fine Arts. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

potpourri -

Our best wishes go to BB Gary Bachman and his new bride, Diana on their marriage on May 6th.

Our best wishes also go to Board member Craig Koons and his new bride Christine on their recent marriage.

Member Agency
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America
Arby's and You supporting BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS

Beginning in June, the Sybra owned Arby’s Restaurants will once again sell coupon booklets to benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Our local Arby's Restaurant is located in the Valley Mall. The purpose of this project is to generate additional funds for local agencies and to create awareness of our need for additional volunteers.

For each booklet sold for $1.00, Big Brothers/Big Sisters will receive $0.80 and the national organization and Arby’s Hank Aaron Big Brothers/Big Sisters Scholarship Fund will receive $1.00. The balance pays for the printing and distribution costs of the booklets.

Help Arby’s make the difference! Stop in the Valley Mall Arby’s during June and purchase a couple of the coupon booklets. You’ll get some valuable coupons and Big Brothers/Big Sisters will receive some additional funds.

“Get Hooked on Fishing Not on Drugs”

The Maryland Governor’s Youth Fishing Derby will take place at Greenbrier State Park the morning of Saturday, June 8, 1991. The sign-in for the event will begin at 8:30 a.m., fishing begins at 9:00 a.m. The event will conclude at noon.

Bring your own fishing rod. Bait will be provided. Activities will include fishing, "Drug-free Port Party" with food, fun and more.

Each participant will receive a neon cap and an assortment of give-aways. Everyone will be eligible for random drawings and a grand prize award.

All children ages 6-16 may participate. Pre-registration is required. All entries must be received by the recreation commission no later than May 29, 1991. Spaces are limited, so register early!

Registration forms are available at the agency office.

The bottom line — Goodness is the only investment that never fails.

— Thoreau
Congratulations and best wishes go to one of our Little Brothers upon his graduation from high school this year. Scott Royce has been matched to David Keefer for almost 10 years. Scott graduated from South Hagerstown High School on June 10th, after completing the Electrical Construction course at the Career Studies Center. He is currently looking for a job in that field.

Thank you!

- To Board members/Big Brothers Jack Hall, Craig Newcomer, Lionel Suope, Gary Weaver, Little Brother Chris Purnell and Executive Director Bob McKee for picking up trash in the agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway program on May 22nd.
- To the Western Maryland Troopers Association for their donation of tickets to the Kelly-Miller Brother circus.
- To Emmet Kelly Tent No. 41 for their donation of tickets to the Clyde Beatty Cole Brothers Circus.
- To Mr. Richard H. Mayfield for the generous donation recently made to our program.
- To the Rotary Charitable Foundation for their generous contribution recently made to our program towards the cost of a computer system.
- To Ernst Market for hosting a chicken Bar-B-Q to benefit BB.
- To Charlie, Chick & George Rowe, John Negley & Bob McKe for helping during the event.
- To David Smith for chairing the Family Picnic/Swim event again this year.
- To Mrs. David Bellotti for making the fresh fruit salad for the Family Picnic/Swim event again this year.
- To Board member Cortland Mead for his donation of the BMX Roadmaster bike which was given to one of our Littles at the Family Picnic/Swim event. The lucky Little Brother winning the bike was Joey Stull.
BIG BROTHERS and BIG SISTERS
One New Agency

A merger Study Committee has made the recommendation that the Big Brothers and the Big Sisters organizations merge into a combined program. The Board of Directors of both organizations have adopted that recommendation and the merger will occur on July 1, 1991. Many children need the special one-to-one attention and support they receive when matched with a volunteer Big Brother or Big Sister. The children in Washington County have been well served by both the Big Brothers and the Big Sisters organizations. Helping children meet the challenges of growing up is what we are all about.

After the merger, the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Washington County, Maryland, Inc. will be working to help even more children through the most challenging times of their lives.

TOWARD 2000
BUILDING THE CONCIL

BOB MCKEE ATTENDS
NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Bob McKeen, local Executive Director, was among delegates from more than 475 Big Brother/Big Sister agencies from 49 states in attendance at the 1991 National Conference.

The conference was held June 19-23, 1991 in Oakland, California. The event got underway with a welcome from Oakland Mayor Elihue Harris. Delivering the keynote speech on the value and importance of volunteer service was Richard F. Schubert, president of the Points of Light Foundation.

The gathering featured 27 workshops; a Recognition Reception; peer sharing opportunities; symposiums; luncheons; and an awards banquet. Also offered were pre- and post-conference Educational Institutes. Bob learned a great deal at the conference this year. He returns to us with more knowledge and many ideas to help our agency grow, serving even more children in our community.

This year's conference marks the 14th anniversary of the merger of Big Brothers of America and Big Sisters International into one organization.

The Orioles

Free Orioles Tickets

Through the generosity of Orioles player Glenn Davis tickets have been donated to all Maryland BB/BS agencies for the following five games:

- Tues., July 23 vs. Cal. 7:35 p.m.
- Wed., July 24 vs. Cal. 7:35 p.m.
- Thurs., Aug. 8 vs. Mil. 7:35 p.m.
- Tues., Aug. 13 vs. Tex. 7:35 p.m.
- Tues., Aug. 27 vs. Tor. 7:35 p.m.

Tickets are available for Bigs, Littles and family members. To obtain tickets for any or all of these games, please call the agency office. Tickets are on a first come/first serve basis.

potpourri -

Congratulations to BB Fred Barrett and his wife Lisa on the birth of their first child, a son, Ryan Philip was born on May 15th. Ryan weighed in at 8 pounds and 10 ounces.

We are happy to report that Board member Rob "Buddy Rizer is recuperating nicely after having pneumonia and exhaustion.

We are sorry to report that Big Brother John Stonebraker is again hospitalized at Johns Hopkins. We encourage everyone to send John a get well card, his address is:

Mr. John E. Stonebraker, IV
Johns Hopkins Hospital Oncology II South, Room 267
600 North Wolfe Street
Baltimore, MD 21205

The agency staff wish John and his wife, Kim the very best, and pray for John's speedy recovery.

The Bottom Line -

What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.
Introducing...

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother team:

RIK SILLS / STEPHEN HOWERY -

Rik Sills is new to Big Brothers/Big Sisters. He will be working with Little Brother Stephen. Rik is employed as a Mental Health Associate at Brook Lane Psychiatric Center. Stephen will enter the 8th Grade at Western Heights Middle in September.

Calendar

Thursday, August 22, 1991.
Merger Celebration. 5:30 PM - 10:00 PM.
North Gate Community Center.
Adults $5. Children $3. Littles FREE.

Wednesday, August 28, 1991. 7:00 PM.
BB/BS monthly Board of Directors meeting.
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Saturday, Sept. 21, 1991. 9AM - 4PM.
BB/BS - LB/LS Appalachian Trail Hike.
Mark this date on your calendar.

Wednesday, September 25, 1991. 7:00 PM.
BB/BS monthly Board of Directors meeting.
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

* FREE SUNS TICKETS AVAILABLE *

Tickets are available for any of the remaining Sun's home games. The tickets have been donated by the Washington County Restaurant & Beverage Association. Give us a call (739-4711) if you can use any of the tickets.

Hagerstown
Suns

August Home Games
Aug. 18 — Reading, 2:05 p.m.
Aug. 21-23 — Williamsport
Aug. 23 Max Fiklin in Person!
Aug. 27-29 — Albany
Aug. 30-31 — New Britain
Sept. 1 — New Britain, 2:05 p.m.
Sept. 2 — New Britain
Game time, 7:05 p.m.; gates open, 6 unless noted

NEW STAFF

We would like to welcome Meg Mallon and Rhonda Bitner to Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

Meg is the agency's new Casework Supervisor. She graduated from Frostburg State University in May, 1990. While there, Meg did a full time internship with the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Alleghenies.

She lives with her family in Ellicott City, Maryland. Meg is the oldest of four children and has two sisters and one brother.

Rhonda is the new agency Secretary. She began her employment on July 29th.

She is married to Wayne Bitner. He is employed with Richard F. Kline, Inc. They have two children, a son, Erik, age 6, and a daughter, Toni, age 4.

-potpourri-

Congratulations to former Big Brother Dave Smith and his wife, Deborah, on the birth of their first child, Tyler. Phillip Smith, born on July 9th. Tyler weighed in at 8lbs. 8oz.

Congratulations to Board 2nd Vice President and Big Sister Debra Bastian and her husband, Allen, on the birth of Phillip Allen Bastian on August 14th. Phillip arrived at 5:23 A.M. and weighed 7lbs. 7oz.

Our sincere sympathy to Big Brother and Board Member Ed Diltsed and his family on the recent passing of his mother.

Hope everyone catches a glance at Big Brother Greg Neanchos and his Little Brother Mike Horst who are featured on the cover of the 1991 United Way Campaign brochure.

July/August Match Anniversaries

BB/BS  
Lynmar Adams (4 yrs)  Cathy Gossert
Pam Grove (2 yrs)  Jesse Robertson
Trina Johnson (2 yrs)  Tina Horst
Melissa Smith (1 yr)  Sharounds Ford
Weekend Fun!

More than 70 Bigs, Littles and friends enjoyed the annual camping trip held at Big Bear Lake on the weekend of August 9th - 11th.

The weekend jumped off to a fast start on Friday evening with the tents going up and the Bigs and Littles putting away twenty whole pizzas.

Saturday morning saw a fishing rodeo hosted by the Potomac Bass Anglers. Winning trophies were Little Brothers Wayne Coast (Most Fish), Jeffrey Resseger (Largest Fish) and Jake Horst (Biggest Bass). All of the kids received some nice prizes.

Saturday afternoon brought swimming, hiking, continued fishing and wiffle ball. It also answered the questions of how many Little Brothers does it take to sink a canoe and how many Big Brothers does it take to find and raise a canoe? The answers: 3 Little Brothers / 11 Big Brothers.

The first ever Big/Little Sister team to participate in the camping trip was BS Claire Muma and LS Chinnia Clopper. Chinnia caught her first fish and learned to handle a canoe as good as the boys.

Throughout the weekend, the single elimination horseshoe tournament occurred. The winning team was Dan Swope and Little Brother Mike Royer. The runner up team was Chick Rowe and Little Brother Frank Shupp. Both boys received trophies.

Saturday evening saw some hard volleyball played by all. After dark, a flashlight scavenger hunt was held. After a hunt that took everyone through the cemetery, the winning team consisted of Littles Eric Miller, Chris Purnell, Jeff Resseger, David Royer and Jason Cohen. Once back from the scavenger hunt, a campfire was held with skits and smores.

The water olympics were held on Sunday morning. The winning team was BB Fred Barrett and LB Jason Barnhart. Finishing in 2nd place was Marc Albowicz and Little Brother David Royer.

The weekend in the mountains was fun for Big and Little, young and old.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The slate of officers for the new Big Brothers/Big Sisters Board of Directors was elected at the July 1st Annual Meeting.

Serving the merged program will be: Cindy Cogan, President (739-2481); Brigid Whitman, 1st Vice President (733-7656); Debbie Bastian, 2nd Vice President (733-0520); Pamela Hause, Secretary (791-7981); and Jim Haney, Treasurer (717-597-2334).

We know these individuals will provide strong leadership for the new program. Feel free to call them at the phone numbers listed if you have ideas or suggestions to improve the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program.

Look for an article in the September newsletter on the new Board Directors.

Tips To Help Your Children Adjust to School

Your attitude and interest are important in helping your child to like and do well in school. If you have a positive, enthusiastic attitude, this will be reflected in your child. Here are some tips to help with your child's adjustment and success in school after the holiday break.

- Take the time to enable your child to talk over school problems, activities and interests.
- Know your child's teachers and become involved in parent activities and projects supporting the school.
- Don't underestimate the importance of homework. It teaches skills a child needs to learn if or she is to develop.
- Provide a study area at home that is well-lighted, comfortable and free of distractions.
- Give guidance on...but don't try to do...a child's homework. Let the child know that completing it is his responsibility.
- Motivate your child to do his best in school, but don't expect performance beyond what the child is capable of achieving.
- Use lots of praise and other rewards when deserved to build a child's self confidence.
- Monitor the amount of time high schoolers spend working for money—school work should have top priority.

Compliments of Columbia Gas Co.

the bottom line -

Every day is a fresh beginning,
Every morn is the world made new.

Susan Coolidge
Introducing...

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother/Sister teams:

Karla Mease/Marsha West -
Karla has been involved in the program since 1989. On September 6th, she took Marsha as her Little Sister. Karla is employed as a Dental Hygienist for Dr. Allen Bacon. Marsha is 13 years old and is an 8th grader at E. Russell Hicks Middle School.

Lois Walling/Tina Ringus -
Lois is a newcomer to our program. On October 2nd, she was matched with Tina. Lois is employed at the Veterans Administration Center in Martinsburg, WV. Tina is 10 years old and a 4th grader at Bester Elementary School.

Lionel Swope/Mike Knox -
Lionel has been involved in our program since 1971. On October 10th, he took Mike as his new assignment. Lionel is employed with BN Tank Testing. Mike is 11 years old and a 5th grader at Bester Elementary School.

September/October Match Anniversaries

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** ** BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED ** **

The new Board of Directors for the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Washington County was elected at the July 1st Annual Meeting. Those elected for three-year terms were Douglas Fiery, Craig Koons, Claire Mumma, John Psillas and Jerry Rafter. Elected for two-year terms were Fred Barrett, John Chambers, Ed Distad, Pam Grove, Jack Hall, Trina Johnson, Cortland Head, Holly Proctor, Lionel Swope and Betsy Trimil.

One-year term Directors elected were Ed Beachley, Loretta Czerbinski, Brad Fulton, Bill Hatcher, Raymond Holton, Sterling Moyer, Craig Newcomer, Rose Pellegrino, Gary Weaver and Anne Wilson.

We do thank each of these individuals for agreeing to serve on the Board of Directors. We know they will make many contributions with their time and talent.

Wednesday, October 23, 1991. 7:00 p.m. BB/BS monthly Board of Directors meeting. Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.


Wednesday, November 23, 1991. 7:00 p.m. BB/BS monthly Board of Directors meeting. Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

REPORT CARD TIME

The first marking period for the 1991-1992 school year ends on Thursday, October 31st. Report cards for elementary school students will be sent home on Wednesday, November 6th and for middle and high school students on Friday, November 8th.

Please ask your Little to see his/her report card if they don't voluntarily show it to you. As a Big Brother or Big Sister you need to know how your Little is doing in school and need to provide help, praise and encouragement.
Lend Your Helping Hand... the United Way.

United Way begins fund-raising

The United Way of Washington County funds 22 agencies in our community. Last year, over 100,000 people received help from these agencies. The help provided is not only desirable, but essential.

The 1991 campaign is now underway. This year's goal is $1,525,000. The money raised will be used to fund the 22 agencies which include Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

We need to support the United Way! Please give your fair share through payroll deductions at work. Ask your friends, neighbors and family to give to the United Way. With your help and support we can meet our goal this year. It brings out the best in all of us. The United Way.

MUSEUM YOUTH PROGRAM

The Youth Program, taught by Anne Wilson, at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, is a combination of an art activity and a film and is open to all children ages 6-12. Registration is required.

November

- 2 Film: Someone's in the Kitchen with Jamie Activity: Wood Sculpture
- 9 Film: Paddle to the Sea Activity: Paper Puppets
- 16 Film: Color It Living Activity: Animal Drawings

December

- 7 Film: The Practical Princess Activity: Magazine Montage
- 14 Holiday Reception
- 21 Film: The Little Brown Burro Activity: Cookie Castles

All programs begin at 10:00 A.M.

-potpourri-

Congratulations to Board President Cindy Cogon on her marriage on September 1st to Peter Petrini.

Congratulations are in order for Board President Cindy Petrini on her election as Secretary of the OAO Board.

Thank you!

- To Big Brothers Charlie Rowe and John Negley for co-chairing the annual camping trip.

- To The Potomac Bass Anglers for hosting the Fishing Rodeo for all the Littles during the annual camping trip.

- To the Washington County Restaurant and Beverage Charitable Foundation for their generous contribution recently made to our program towards the cost of an additional computer system.

- To the many individuals, organizations and businesses that generously contributed to the success of the camping trip. Each have been individually thanked.

- To Margaret Washington for organizing the bus trip to Kennywood Park and taking some of our Little Brothers and Little Sisters along for the day.

- To Glenn Davis of the Baltimore Orioles for his donation of tickets to three different Baltimore Orioles games.

- To John McIntyre and the National Pizza Company for the Pizza Hut free personal pan pizza coupons distributed to the Littles and discount cards for the Bigs.

The bottom line-
If everyone gives one thread, the poor man will have a shirt.

Russian Proverb
Big Brothers/Big Sisters

November, 1991

Newsletter

Rhonda Bittner, Editor

November Match Anniversaries

BB/BS

LB/LS

George Rowe (5 yrs) Frank Shupp
Joe Stone (3 yrs) Courtney Taylor
Ned Reed (2 yrs) Todd Chaco
Gordon Hurlburt (1 yr) Richard Stull

Calendar

Wednesday, November 20, 1991, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, December 4th, 6:30 p.m.
Annual BB/BS and BS/LS Christmas Dinner
Washington Sq. United Methodist Church
Complete details on the enclosed flyer.

Wednesday, December 18, 1991, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, February 12, 1992, 6:30 - 9 p.m.
BB/BS Skate Party at Starland Roller Rink
Mark this date on your 1992 calendar.

Sunday, March 22, 1992, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Big Brothers/Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake
Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

What In The World Is Diamerica?

"Someone called me the other evening
and said they were selling magazines and
Big Brothers/Big Sisters would get a
percentage of the subscription price.
They said they were from Diamerica. Is
this on the up and up?" Many have asked
us lately. Yes, Diamerica is legitimate
and we are a real help to Big Brothers/
Big Sisters, here in Washington County and
BB/BS agencies all over the United States.
Residents of the community are called on
the phone and asked to subscribe to a
leading magazine and sold that the BB/BS
gets 12 1/2% of the order price. We do
get it and we are grateful.

Make Your Child A Winner

1. Find something to praise.
   Nurturing children’s self-esteem is
   key to inspiring peak performance.
2. Teach, don’t blame.
   Leave children knowing what you
   want them to do, not what you don’t
   want them to do.
3. Assess your child’s strengths.
   Listen to your children’s opinions
   and self-assessments.
4. Encourage self-applause.
   Getting kids to talk positively
   about themselves reinforces self-
   image, which improves performance.
5. Teach your child to relax.
   Knowing how to relax is key to
   peak performance.
6. Concentrate.
   Plan different drills to help
   sharpen concentration skills.
7. Rehearse - mentally.
   Have your child visualize every
   step of any task before actual
   performance.
   Post a good report card on or near
   your child’s mirror, reinforcing
   the urge to repeat success.
9. Set steps to a goal.
   Draw a set of steps with the goal
   at the top and messages to help
   reach the goal down the steps.
   Post the drawing in a prominent
   place.

Compliments of the Herald Mail

** BIGS REMINDER **

On November 4th, a Program Survey was
mailed to all matched Big Brothers and
Big Sisters.

All Bogs are asked to complete the survey
and reminded to return it to the agency
office by November 18, 1991.

** OFFICE CLOSING **

The agency office will be closed from
Wednesday, November 21st at 5:00 p.m.
until Monday, December 1st at 9:00 a.m.

HAVE A HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

Member Agency
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America

Member Agency
Thank you!

- To board members Ed Distad and Pam Hause; Littles Wayne Gossert, Greg Mills, Chris Furrnell and Laura West and Executive Director Bob McRae for picking up trash on the agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway program on October 12th.

- To Sybra, Inc. and the Valley Mall Arby's Restaurant for their generous contribution to our program from monies raised on the sale of Arby's coupon booklets.

- To the Antietam Exchange Club for their generous contribution recently made towards the cost of a Breitford TV/VCR stand.

- To Kunzler & Company, Inc. for their generous contribution recently made to our program on behalf of its Sun's home run.

Juvenile Sales is holding a special discount night for anyone affiliated with Big Brothers/Big Sisters (Bigs, Littles, Families, Board Members, etc.). On Monday, November 25th from 6:00 - 10:00 p.m., any person showing Big Brother/Big Sister membership cards or the agency newsletter will receive a 10% discount on their purchase. If you have any questions, contact the agency office at 739-4711.

Introducing...

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother/Sister teams:

**MELISSA SMITH/ APRIL BAKER**

Melissa has been involved in our program since 1990. On November 7th, she took April as her Little Sister. Melissa and her husband own R&D Water Company. She also works part time for the Herald Mail Company. April is 10 years old and is a 5th grader at Maugansville Elementary School.

**DEE WELCH/ASHLEY SHAFER**

Dee is a newcomer to our program. On November 13th, she was matched with Ashley. Dee is a Registered Nurse at the National Institute of Health. Ashley is 8 years old and in the 2nd grade at Lincolnshire Elementary School.

the bottom line-

Charity looks at the need and not at the cause.

German Proverb
DECEMBER, 1991

NEWSLETTER

BB/BS
Fred Barrett (8 yrs) Tony Nave
Charlie Rowe (4 yrs) Paul Wolfe
Doug Fiery (3 yrs) Jack Winters
Jane Yoder (2 yrs) Sasha Stevenson

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BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Rose Room in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, January 22, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, February 12, 1992, 6:30-9 p.m.
BB/BS Skate Party at Starland Roller Rink
Mark this date on your calendar!

Sunday, March 22, 1992, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Big Brothers/Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake
Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

CHANGES?? MOVING??

PLEASE! Be sure to call the office if you have moved or have been given a new
address. Also be sure to notify the
agency if you have a new phone number.
We need to know where you are and how
to call you. We are required to do case
reviews on all assignments and the task
is much easier to do when we have the
correct phone numbers and addresses.
So, PLEASE notify us if there are any
changes.

ON STAGE
AT THE MARYLAND THEATRE

The Maryland Theatre will offer a
series of productions especially for
children this winter season. The
Kids' Plays will begin on January 11,
1992 with "Story Salad", the second
play is "Peter and the Wolf" on Feb-
uary 1st, the last in the children's
series will be the singing duo of
Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer on March
8th.

Subscriptions are now available for
$14.75 for children 12 and under and
$20.25 for adults. Subscriptions
may be purchased at the Maryland
Theatre by calling the Box Office at
(301) 790-2000. Single tickets for
each show will go on sale December

SWIM OPPORTUNITY

Now that the weather has turned cold
and it is dark earlier, we want to
remind all Big and Little Brother/Big
Sister teams of the swim opportunities
available at the YMCA. The YMCA has
extended an invitation to participate
in their Family Swim periods. The
only requirement is that both Big and
Little show their membership cards
when checking in at the main desk.

Family Swim Period Winter Schedule:

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We want to thank the Hagerstown YMCA
for this offer and encourage all of
you to take a dip in the Y pool.
Thank you!

- To Bob Maginnis for his donation of tickets to the Exchange Club of Hagerstown’s Western Bon-A-Que.
- To the Support Group of the Washington Square United Methodist Church for hosting the Annual Christmas Dinner.
- To Rev. Walter F. Bowman Sr. for giving the invocation at the Annual Christmas Dinner.
- To Rev. Stephen O. Robison for delivering the Christmas message at the dinner.
- To Dr. John Nagley for being Santa Claus at the Christmas Dinner.
- To the First National Bank for their donation of tickets to the Maryland Symphony Orchestra Holiday Concert.
- To the Western Maryland Troopers’ Association for their donation of tickets to the Country and Western Show at the Maryland Theatre.

SLOW DOWN AND ENJOY

To really enjoy the Holidays with your children, follow these tips from child psychologist Dean Lacrosse of the Denver Children’s Hospital:

* Budget your time. Determine how much you and your children can take and try not to stretch yourselves any further.
* Make sure each child has some “quiet time,” even if you are visiting a relative. Children need time to themselves to unwind.
* Include children in as many family holiday activities as possible. Let them help decorate, shop for and wrap gifts.
* Don’t be overly concerned with children’s manners or dress. Let them enjoy the holidays.
* Don’t expect the younger children to have the same attention span or interest in opening gifts or playing with new toys as older siblings.
* Find a relaxed time to help children learn how to play with new toys.

WASHINGTON COUNTY
MARYLAND
More than you can imagine.

During the month of December, several special events occur that would be fun for Big and Little teams to attend. For further information, call the Washington County Tourism at (301) 791-3130.

December 21 “Festival of Lights” Rest Haven Cemetery.

December 21-22 “The Nutcracker” with The Maryland Ballet, Maryland Theater, Sat. 3 & 8 p.m., Sun. 3 p.m.

December 23-26 “Kringle Craft Fair” Ramada Inn, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

December 26-29 “Little Shop of Horrors” Washington County Playhouse, Thurs.-Sat. evening performances; Sun. matinee.

ANTITAM EXCHANGE CLUB
presents
19th Annual Italian Festa
Saturday, February 2, 1992
The Venue Ballroom 12 noon-5:30 p.m.
Advance Sales $8.00
Purchased at Door $9.00
Children 7 and Under FREE
Prices include: All you can Eat SUGAR RICE SALAD BEANS ICED TEA COFFEE MILK

Bob McKee has Italian Festa tickets for sale. Call the agency office if you want to buy one or two. The Antietam Exchange Club contributes on an annual basis to our B/I/BS program.

The bottom line -
Who will not give some portion of his ease, his blood, his wealth... for others’ good, is a poor, foolish churl.

Joanne Ballio