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**BIG BROTHERS/
BIG SISTERS**

JANUARY, 1992

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



JANUARY
MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Fred Barrett	(6 yrs)	Jason Barnhart
Laura Geesaman	(3 yrs)	Shelly Robertson
Craig Newcomer	(2 yrs)	Chris Hamby

Calendar

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

Wednesday, February 12, 1992, 6:30-9 p.m.
BB/BS Skate Party at Starland Roller Rink
Details on enclosed flyer.

Wednesday, February 26, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown Y.M.C.A.

TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR VOLUNTEERS

A number of tax benefits are available to volunteers who itemize deductions on their returns. Volunteers may deduct certain 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 related expenditures include:

- * Bus and cab transportation expenses
- * Parking cost 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."

Introducing...

Please welcome the following new Big and Little Brother teams:

Brett McKoy/Nathan Henderson -

Brett is a newcomer to our program. On December 16th, he was matched with Nathan Henderson. Brett is employed with the Hagerstown Police Department. Nathan is 8 years old and is in the third grade at Broadfording Christian Academy.

Michael Gellar/Joey Salvador -

Mike is also new to our program. He was matched with Joey Salvador on December 18th. Mike is employed with Scorpion Systems, Inc. in Frederick. Joey is 10 years old and is in the 5th grade at Northern Middle School.



Preperations for the eighth annual Bowl For Kids' Sake 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/Big Sisters program in Washington County. The event will be held from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 22, 1992 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 March 22nd for some real fun with Bowl For Kids' Sake.



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Ready?
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for the new, exciting
Bowl for Kids' Sake!



Thank you!

- To Mike Spickler and 81 Tank Testing for their generous donation to our program.
- To Vince Fertitta and Concordia Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod for making Christmas special for a Little Brother and a Little Sister.
- To The Cumberland Scottish Rite Foundation for their generous donation to our program.
- To the following people who have recently made contributions to our program: Margaret Callas, Pauline Dando, Dick Ford and Vernon Stouffer.

REPORT CARD TIME

The second marking period for the 1991-1992 school year ends on Friday, January 24th.

Report Cards for elementary school students will be sent home on Wednesday, January 29th and for middle and high school students on Friday, January 31st.

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

With your help, your Little can do good in school!

T-SHIRTS

We plan to order "Big Brother - Big Sisters" t-shirts in all adult sizes. They feature two-color logos (turquoise and plum) front and back, on ash-gray 50-50 fabric. They are being sold "at cost" of \$7.00 per shirt.

Give us a call at 739-4711 if you want us to order you one or two of the t-shirts.

-potpourri-

Congratulations to Board member Betsy Treinen on her December 28th marriage to Jeff Bjornebo, which took place in Sioux City, Iowa.

Congratulations to Board member Bill Hatcher and his wife, Jenni, on the birth of their son, Christian Edward Hatcher, born on January 2nd. Christian weighed in at 8lbs. 9ozs.

MUSEUM YOUTH PROGRAM

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

February

- 1 Film: A Circus Story
Activity: Drawing Techniques
- 8 Film: The Electric Grandma
Activity: Valentines
- 15 Film: Ponies
Activity: Story Illustration
- 22 Film: PSST! Hammerman's After You
Activity: Posters
- 29 Film: The Golden Fish
Activity: Wind Socks

All programs begin at 10:00 A.M.

ATTENTION!!!

Big Brothers/Big Sisters, let us know about any awards, accomplishment and good news of your Little Brother/Little Sister. We'd like to include them in our newsletter in the the potpourri column.

So give Rhonda a call and tell us what he or she is doing.

the bottom line -

The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well.

Henry W. Longfellow



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FEBRUARY MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



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Pam Walsh (3 yrs) Heather Nave

Debbie Bastian (3 yrs) Dawnita Smith

Ruth Ann Coe (2 yrs) Alice Smith

Calendar

Wednesday, February 26, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, March 25, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Wednesday, June 10, 1992, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
BB/BS Family Picnic/Swim. Martin Snook
Park. Mark this date on your calendar!



The eighth annual Bowl For Kids' Sake event will be held from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 22, 1992 at Turner's Dual Lanes. Both duck and ten pin bowling will be offered.

We need everyone's help to make this a successful fund raiser. We need our Bigs and Littles to form teams and bowl. Each bowler is expected to get sponsors.

There will be plenty of door prizes available and every bowler will receive a memento for participating.

All monies raised from Bowl For Kids' Sake will stay in Washington County and help the program provide service to more children.

Your support and participation are needed to make the 1992 Bowl For Kids' Sake a success!

Introducing...

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

Laura Rizer/Tammy Kirby:

Laura is a newcomer to our program. On January 8th she took Tammy as her Little Sister. Laura is an accountant for the City of Hagerstown. Tammy is 10 years old and in the 4th grade at Salem Avenue Elementary School.

Jo Anne Schindel/Mary Obitts:

Jo Anne is also new to our program. She was matched with Mary on January 14th. Jo Anne is a legal assistant with Snyder & Poole, P.A. Mary is 12 years old and a 6th grader at E. Russell Hicks Middle School.

Cyndi Beall/Charlotte Line:

Cyndi is another newcomer to our program. On January 17th she was matched with Charlotte Line. Cyndi is the operations manager for Micro Concepts Corporation in Virginia. Charlotte is 10 years old and in the 5th grade at Bester Elementary.

John Negley/Danny Jones:

John has been with our program since 1984. On January 21st he took Danny as his new assignment. John is employed with Cumberland Valley Fabricators, Inc. Danny is 8 years old and is a 3rd grader at Boonsboro Elementary School.

Miranda Hunt/Chanette Purson-Smith:

Miranda is new to our program. She was matched with Chanette on January 22nd. Miranda is a homemaker. Chanette is in the 3rd grade at Fountaindale Elementary School. She is 8 years old.


Share your ♥
Be a Big Brother
Be a Big Sister



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SHRINE CIRCUS

Tickets are available for the Ali Ghan Shrine Circus. The circus will be held on Saturday, March 7, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. The performances will be held at the Hagerstown Junior College Athletic, Recreation & Community Center.

Tickets are free for Bigs and Littles. If you are interested in tickets please call the agency office at 739-4711. We need to know in advance so we can get enough tickets.

Thank you!

- To Dr. and Mrs. Breese Dickinson for their generous donation to our program.
- To Dale Swope, Honorary Advisory Board Member, for the photography work done throughout the past calendar year.
- To Douglas Wright, Sr. and Advertising, Inc. for the BB/BS billboards on Burhans Blvd. and across from the Long Meadow Shopping Center.



ATTENTION
7th and 8th Grade
Littles



We want to remind Littles in the 7th or 8th grade that they are eligible to receive the Donald C. Haynes Academic Achievement Award.

The award receipt will receive a \$50 savings bond and plaque. It will be awarded at the June 10th Picnic/Swim Event.

Two marking periods are completed, but there are still two to go. Littles need to study hard and work to earn good grades!

To qualify for the award, a Little must have an overall grade point average of 3.0 and be involved in either school or community activities.

MUSEUM YOUTH PROGRAM

The Youth Program, taught by Anne Wilson, is a combination of an art activity and a film and is open to all children ages 6-12. Pre-Registration is required.

March

- 7 Film: Indian Pow Wow
Activity: God's Eyes
- 14 Film: A World is Born
Activity: Gesture Drawing
- 21 Film: Watercolor
Activity: Watercolor Painting
- 28 Film: Seven Wishes of a Rich Kid
Activity: Scratch Board

All programs begin at 10:00 a.m.

**Thanks to you
It's working**



The United Way

Success!! The United Way Campaign ended with the largest amount of money ever raised in Washington County. At the Annual Meeting, held on January 31st, a final figure of \$1,525,020 was announced.

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

The agency's staff met the United Way's Gold Plaque standard of giving.

Our appreciation goes to those in the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program who contributed time and money to help make the 1991 United Way Campaign the most successful ever!!

the bottom line -

This is our special duty, that if anyone specially needs our help, we should give him such help to the utmost of our power.

Cicero



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MARCH ANNIVERSARIES



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Robert Kueny (5 yrs) Durke Besore
Brigid Whitman (2 yrs) Farrah Landaker



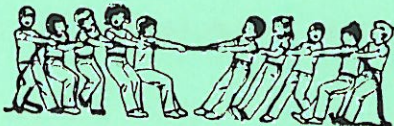
Wednesday, March 25, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Teen Center in the Hagerstown YMCA.

Thursday, April 2, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Information Night
Agency office, 18 W. Franklin Street.

Wednesday, April 22, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency office, 18 W. Franklin Street.

Saturday, April 25, 1992, 1:00 p.m.
Car Rally/Putt Putt Golf/Pizza Party
Family Recreation, Inc., Route 40 East
Complete Details next month!!

Wednesday, May 13, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Volunteer Rap Session
Agency office, 18 W. Franklin Street.



UPCOMING GROUP ACTIVITIES

The Program Committee has tentatively
scheduled the following group activities
for the year:

- Wednesday, June 10 - Picnic/Swim Party
 - Friday-Sunday, August 14th-16th - Campout
 - Friday, October 23rd - Halloween Party
 - Wednesday, December 9th - Christmas Dinner
- Mark your calendars now!! Details later!!
Plan to participate in these activities!

Introducing...

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

Joe Shepherd/Max Hill -

Joe is new to our program. He took Max Hill as his Little Brother on February 4th. Joe is employed with Family Services. Max is 13 and is a 7th grader at E. Russell Hicks Middle School.

Tammy Wylie/Star Hose -

Tammy is also new to our program. On February 5th she was matched with Star. Tammy is employed with the Washington County Hospital Association. Star is 10 years old and in the 4th grade at Fountaindale Elementary School.

Lori Holley/Holly Hopkins -

Lori, another newcomer to our program, was matched with Holly on February 18th. Lori is a computer operator with Save-A-Lot Warehouse. Holly is in the 4th grade at Pangborn Elementary School and is 10 years old.

Michael Banyard/Bernard Trost -

Michael is also new to our program. He was matched with Bernard on February 26th. Michael is employed with Colonial Insurance Company of CA. Bernard is 8 years old and in the 2nd grade at Bester Elementary School.

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS DIALAMERICA?

"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 Dialamerica. Is this on the up and up?" Many have asked us lately. Yes, Dialamerica is legitimate and they are a real help to BB/BS, here in Washington County and 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/BS get 12 ½ % of the order price. We do get it and we are very grateful.



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1992 BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 1992

10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

TURNER'S DUAL LANES

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, preplan the time for your next visit. If you are unable to preplan 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 telephone 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 a set day and time to call 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

Thank you!

- To Barbara Donaldson and Starland Roller Rink for hosting the Skating Party for all the Littles and Bigs.
- To Frank Shannon and Montgomery Ward for the donation of American Weekend Sweaters for our Little Sisters.
- To the Ali Ghan Shrine Temple for their donation of Shrine Circus tickets.
- To The EverReady Class of the First Christian Church for their recent generous contribution to the agency.

REPORT CARD TIME

The third marking period for the 1991-1992 school year ends on Thursday, April 2nd. Report cards will be sent home during the week of April 6th - 10th.

If your Little doesn't show you his/her report card, ask to see it so you'll know how your Little is doing. As a Big Brother or a Big Sister you need to provide help, praise and encouragement.

With your help, your Little can do good in school!

the bottom line -

*Now and then it's good to pause in our
pursuit of happiness and just be happy.*

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APRIL, 1992

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APRIL
ANNIVERSARIES



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LB/LS

Gregg DeLauney (6 yrs) Larry Moore

Teresa Barthlow (1 yr) Ginger Pace



★ ★ WE 'VE MOVED ★ ★

*As of Monday, March 30th it's official-
we moved. Our new "home" is now at 16
West Franklin Street. If you are down-
town please stop by and see us. Our
telephone number remains the same.*

*We would like to thank all of the
Board members who helped make the task
of moving a lot easier.*

Wednesday, April 22, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street

Saturday, April 25, 1992, 1:00 p.m.
Car Rally/Putt Putt Golf/Pizza Party
Family Recreation, Inc. Route 40 East
Details on enclosed flyer.

Wednesday, May 13, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Volunteer Rap Session
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street

Saturday, June 6, 1992, 9:00 a.m.
6th Annual Home Improvement Auction
Robert Mullendore Farm (on Route 68)

CHICKEN



BAR-B-Q

The annual Chicken Bar-B-Q benefitting
the Big Brothers/Big Sisters camping
trip will be held on Saturday, June 6th
from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. It will be held
at Ernst's Market, 2 miles east of Clear
Spring on Dam #5 road. The cost is \$4.00
for ½ a chicken, cole slaw, baked beans,
roll and butter.

There will be live Bluegrass Music so
bring your lawn chairs. Come on down and
have a good time.



FISHING

DERBY

Thank you!

The Washington County Chapter of The
Izaak Walton League and the Maryland
Department of Natural Resources are
extending an invitation to their fishing
derby.

The derby is to be held on Saturday,
May 9th with the raindate being May 16th.
It will be on the Chapter Clubgrounds on
Independance Road just off Route 40 West.
For specific directions contact the
agency office at 739-4711.

Tackle and bait will be provided,
however additional tackle will be needed
and you may bring your own gear.

Lunch will be provided following the
fishing and prizes will be awarded after
lunch.

Reservations would be appreciated and
can be made by calling 733-4092.

- To Board members Ray Holton, Craig
Koons, Jerry Rafter, Lionel Swope and
Brigid Whitman and Little Brother Mike
Knox for picking up trash on the
agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway
program on March 28th.

- To Big Brother Ed Distad for his
generous contribution to the program.

TRACTOR PULL

The Boonsboro Fire Company's annual
tractor pull will be held on Sunday, May
17th at 1:00 p.m. It will be held on
Route 34 between Boonsboro and
Sharpsburg. Signs will be posted. The
cost will be \$5.00 for adults and kids
12 & under free. Raindate is May 24th.



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*Thank You -
Big Brothers and Big Sisters*



BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS

It's all over! March 22nd was a huge success!

Over \$27,500 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 John Psillas and Pam Hause for co-chairing this year's event.

If you have any input on this year's event or suggestions, please direct them to the agency 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.

Introducing...

Gordon Hurlburt/Larry Shriner -

Gordon has been involved in our program since 1989. On March 5th he took Larry as an additional Little Brother. Larry is 8 years old and is in the 3rd grade at Bester Elementary School.

Lisa Koontz/Roberta Kesselring -

Lisa is a newcomer to our program. She was matched with Roberta on March 23rd. Lisa is a clinical manager for Drs. Toothman & Barra. Roberta is in the 5th grade at Pangborn Elementary School and is 10 years old.

SUPER SPECIALS

The week of April 26th - May 2nd has been designated as "Big Brothers/Big Sisters Appreciation Week." We would like to say "THANK YOU" to our 52 "Super Specials."

Each of these men and women have given their time, love and commitment to their own "special" Little Brother or Little Sister. Our volunteers have given the best gift ever - they have given themselves.

Not every man or woman can be a Big Brother or Big Sister. A volunteer must have patience, understanding and acceptance to be that "special" friend to a young child.

The Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Washington County are fortunate to have 52 men and women involved in our program.

THANKS again from all of us.

Meg Bob Rhonda

-potpourri-

Congratulations to Board 1st Vice President and Big Sister Brigid Whitman on her recent election as President of the Hagerstown Jaycees.

Our sincere sympathy to Donna Rafter, wife of Board Member Jerry Rafter on the recent passing of her sister.

Congratulations to Executive Director, Bob McKee, for receiving his M.B.A. Degree from Frostburg State University.

We would like to wish a speedy recovery to Stephanie Swope, daughter of Board Member Lionel Swope after her recent leg surgery.

the bottom line -

The measure of a life is, after all, not its duration, but its donation. How much will you be missed?

Peter Marshall



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*MAY MATCH
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Brian Snyder (8 yrs) David Tomlinson
Mike & Mary Brown (5 yrs) Arleen Green
Charles Cushwa (3 yrs) Jeff Resseger
Gary Naugle (3 yrs) Dard Stephens
Julie Boward (1 yr) Valerie Rocks



Wednesday, May 27, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Saturday, June 6, 1992, 9:00 a.m.
6th Annual Home Improvement Auction
Robert Mullendore Farm (on Route 68).

Wednesday, June 10, 1992, 6:00-9:30 p.m.
BB/BS-LB/LS Family Picnic Swim, Martin
Snook Park. Details on enclosed flyer.

Wednesday, June 24, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Frustrated? Time To Take "Time Out"

As parents, our patience may be tried at times. We need to practice self-control, however. Here are some "time-out" tips to help you deal with situations where you feel like lashing out:

- * Stop where you are. Step back. Sit down.
- * Put your hand over your mouth. Count to 10. Or better yet 20.
- * Close your eyes and imagine you're hearing what your child hears.
- * Thumb through a newspaper, book or magazine.
- * Phone a friend, a relative or go visit someone.
- * Take a hot bath or splash some cold water on your face.
- * Hug a pillow or munch on an apple if you're still upset.

Source: League Against Child Abuse



FISHING

DERBY

The Potomac Bass Anglers are hosting a fishing derby at the Blairs Valley Lake.

The derby is to be held on Saturday, June 13th beginning at 8:00 a.m. Bring along your rod & reel and bait. Prizes and lunch will be furnished.

Please call the agency office by June 10, 1992 if you plan to attend.

potpourri -

Oops: We goofed. Thanks go also to Little Sister Farah Landaker for helping with the Adopt-A-Highway project on March 28th.

Congratulations to 2nd Vice President Debra Bastian on her election as President of the Board of Directors of Family Services.

Congratulations to Board President Cindy Perini on being recognized as a VIP by the United Way of Washington County.

Congratulations go to Car Rally winner Courtney Taylor. 2nd place went to Bernard Trost.

CIRCUS

Free tickets will be available for the Kelly-Miller Brothers Circus, sponsored by the Western Maryland Troopers Association. Performances will be on Friday, June 5th at 5:30 and 8:00 p.m.

Both adult and children tickets are available. Please call the office if you are interested in tickets.

BOONSBORO FIRE COMPANY EVENTS

The Boonsboro Fire Company will be hosting a couple of events this summer that would make a great outing for Big and Little teams.

A Mud Bog will be held on June 28th at the Hagerstown Fairgrounds. It will begin at 1:00. Next, on August 16th will be a Tractor Pull. It will be held on Route 34 between Boonsboro and Sharpsburg. Signs will be posted.

Come on out and have a good time!!!



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BB/BS HOME IMPROVEMENT AUCTION

The 6th Annual Big Brothers/Big Sisters Home Improvement Auction is scheduled for Saturday, June 6, 1992. Last year's Auction was a huge success and this year's promises to be the best ever!

Again this year, Robert Mullendore is donating his time as Auctioneer for the event. He has also generously donated his auction facilities. Bigs and Littles will be on hand selling baked goods and food.

A preview of the materials will begin at 8:00 a.m. with the actual Auction beginning at 9:00 a.m.

If anyone has anything they would like to donate to the Auction or if you are willing to bake some goodies to be sold, please call the agency at 739-4711.

RAP SESSIONS - YES or NO?

A program survey was mailed to all Big Brothers and Big Sisters at the end of last year. According to more than half of the surveys returned, Rap Sessions were welcomed on a quarterly basis.

On Wednesday, May 13, 1992 at 7:00 p.m., a Rap Session was held. Only one volunteer, new to our program, attended.

We would greatly appreciate it if you would call the office at 739-4711 and let us know whether or not future Rap Sessions should be scheduled.

Thank you!

- To Emmett Kelly Tent #41 for their donation of circus tickets.

- To Washington County Restaurant & Beverage Charitable Foundation, Inc. and the B.P.O. Elks Lodge #378 for their generous contributions to the agency.

CHICKEN

BAR-B-Q



The annual chicken bar-b-q benefitting the Big Brothers/Big Sisters camping trip will be held on Saturday, June 6th from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. It will be held at Ernst's Market, 2 miles east of Clear Spring on Dam #5 road. The cost is \$4.00 for 1/2 a chicken, cole slaw, baked beans, roll and butter.

There will be live Bluegrass Music so bring your lawn chairs. Come on down and have a good time.

King's Dominion

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS APPRECIATION DAYS

King's Dominion has announced that June 20 - June 28, 1992 has been designated "Big Brothers/Big Sisters Appreciation Days." Discount coupons will be sent to the agency office which will save you \$6.00 off the \$23.95 general admission price. Coupons will be available on a first come first serve basis. Make plans now with your Little, family and friends to visit King's Dominion during this special time.

* * * OFFICE CLOSING * * *

The agency office will be closed on Monday, May 25th for Memorial Day. It will reopen Tuesday, May 26th.

the bottom line -

LOVE and TIME - those are the only two things in all the world and all of life that cannot be bought, but only spent.

Gary Jennings



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BB/BS

LB/LS

Greg Nearchos	(3 yrs)	Michael Horst
Gary Bachman	(2 yrs)	Jason Shriner
Claire Mumma	(1 yr)	Chininnia Clopper



Wednesday, June 24, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street

Wednesday, July 22, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street

Friday - Sunday, August 14 - 16, 1992
Big/Little Brother/Sister Annual Camping
Trip. Mark your calendars now!!

SUMMER COMMUNICATION

Summer brings family vacations for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters and summer camp for the Little Brothers and Little Sisters. Don't let the summer disrupt your communication and contact.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters - send your Little an occasional postcard this summer when you are away on vacation. The children really enjoy hearing from you, knowing that you are thinking of them.

Little Brothers/Little Sisters - send your Big a postcard this summer while you are away at camp or on vacation with your family. The volunteers really like to hear what you are doing and that you are having fun.

A postcard only requires a 19¢ stamp and will let each of you know that your friendship is strong and continuous. It is important that you remember each other not only when at home, but when away as well.

PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH WITH EACH OTHER!

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

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

Cathy Gossent graduated from North Hagerstown High School. She was matched to Big Sister Lynann Adams for almost 5 years.

Paul Wolfe graduated from South Hagerstown High School. He was matched to Big Brother Charlie Rowe for almost 5 years.

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

Thank you!

- To Western Maryland Trooper's Association for their donation of circus tickets to the Kelly-Miller Brother circus.

- To Delegate Peter G. Callas for his generous contribution to the agency.

- To Robert L. Glessner, Jr. and Glessner Communications for their donation of a ticket to the Washington County Boys' and Girls' Club Steak and Burger Dinner.

- To Ernst Market for hosting a chicken Bar-B-Q to benefit BB/BS. To Charlie & Chick Rowe, Clear Spring Fire Company and Clear Spring Ambulance Club for helping during the event.

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS DIALAMERICA?

"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 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/Big Sisters in Washington County and 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/BS gets 12½% of the order price. We do get it and we are grateful.



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BB/BS HOME IMPROVEMENT AUCTION

This year's Big Brothers/Big Sisters Home Improvement Auction was a big success! We are proud to announce that almost \$4,300 was raised. We would like to thank all the businesses who donated items to the Auction.

We would also like to thank all the people who came out and supported the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program by bidding on items at the Auction.

Also, a special thanks to Robert Mullendore and his staff for donating his facilities and services to insure the success of the Auction.

To all our Bigs, Littles and Board Members who helped with our concession stand, our thanks go out to you.

Most importantly, thanks go to Debbie Bastian and Jerry Rafter for Co-chairing the event.

potpourri -

Congratulations to Big Brother Joe Shepherd on his new full time position with Hospice of Washington County. Joe will be continuing his part time position at Family Services.

Kings Dominion

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS
APPRECIATION DAYS

King's Dominion has announced that June 20-June 28, 1992 has been designated "Big Brothers/Big Sisters Appreciation Days." Discount coupons are available at the agency office which will save you \$6.00 off the \$23.95 general admission price. Coupons will be available on a first come first serve basis. Make plans with your Little, family and friends to visit King's Dominion during this special time.

Introducing...

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

Jeffrey Jenkins/Richard Spigler:

Jeff is new to our program. He was matched with Richie on May 4th. Jeff is employed with the West Virginia Air National Guard as an Information Management Technician. Richie will be entering the 7th grade at E. Russell Hicks in the fall. He is 11 years old.

Cherry Byrd-Ambush/Deidrea Green:

Cherry is another newcomer to our program. On May 6th she was matched with Deidrea. She is an Air Traffic Controller at the Hagerstown Air Traffic Control Tower. Deidrea is 12 years old and will be entering the 7th grade at E. Russell Hicks in the fall.

Lisa Eccard/Ashley Shafer:

Lisa has been in our program since 1985. She took Ashley as her new Little Sister on May 15th. Lisa is employed with the Washington County Association for the Mentally Retarded. Ashley is 8 years old and will be entering the 3rd grade at Lincolnshire Elementary School in the fall.

Volunteer today-
to share your ♥ with a child

The bottom line -

Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.

James Barrie



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JULY, 1992

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



BB/BS

July
Anniversaries



LB/LS

Pamela Grove (3 yrs) Jessica Robertson

Rikki Sills (1 yr) Stephen Mowery



Calendar

Wednesday, July 22, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Saturday - Sunday, August 15 - 16, 1992
Big/Little Brother/Sister Annual Camping
Trip. Details on enclosed flyer!!!

Wednesday, August 26, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

SUMMER LEARNING ACTIVITIES

The U.S. Department of Education has advice for parents on how to share with young children the joys of finding countries, roads and cities on maps. Among them:

- * If you plan to travel this summer, discuss points of interest on a daily basis. Have the child draw pictures.
- * Help your child understand maps. Look for points of interest - perhaps your vacation destination - and how to get there.
- * Use your home as a reference point to show your child which directions are north, south, east and west.
- * Purchase a puzzle map of the United States or the world so your child can practice putting it together and learn the relative locations of states and countries.

Source: Gaslines

Washington County
Maryland
More than you can imagine.

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

July 24th - 25th - Monster Truck Nationals, Hagerstown Speedway, 8:00 p.m.

July 25th - 26th Potomac Playmakers Workshop - Doub's Woods Park. Saturday 6:00 p.m. - Sunday 3:00 p.m.

July 26th - Quilting Demonstration, Jonathan Hager House & Museum, 2 - 5 p.m.

July 27th - August 1st - Great Hagerstown Fair, Hagerstown Fairgrounds.

August 1st - 2nd - Jonathan Hager Frontier Craft Days, Hager House & Museum, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

August 3rd - 8th - Washington County AG-Expo, Hagerstown Speedway.

August 8th - 9th - Leitersburg Peach Festival - Leitersburg School Grounds, Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Sunday, 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Bentley Bros.

CIRCUS

Free tickets will be available for the Bentley Brothers Circus, to be held at the Hagerstown Fairgrounds and sponsored by the Hagerstown International Association of Firefighters Local 1605.

The circus will be held on Monday, August 17th and Tuesday August 18th. There will be 4:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. shows on both days.

Both adult and children tickets are available on a first come, first serve basis. Please call the agency office at 739-4711 if you are interested in getting tickets.



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Make the time to make a friend.

PRO-WRESTLING FUN

On Sunday, August 2nd at 7:00 p.m., Hagerstown's Municipal Stadium is the site for Pro-Wrestling's Super Slam '92. The main event features Superfly Jimmy Snuka vs. Vladimir Koloff. There will be five other matches including the South Atlantic Heavyweight Championship match with Hagerstown's own Neil "The Power" Superior defending his title against Helmet Hessler - The German Storm Trooper.

Advance tickets are \$6.00 for general admission and \$10.00 for ringside seats. All kids 12 and under are \$1.00. Gate tickets are \$12.00 ringside, \$9.00 general admission and \$4.00 kids 12 and under. Tickets are available at the Big Brothers/Big Sisters agency office. For more information call 739-4711.

Thank you!

- To Mrs. James Brown and Colombo, Inc. for their recent donation of circus tickets that were given to several of our Littles.
- To Board member Cortland Mead for his donation of a basketball and softball which were raffled off to two of our Littles at the annual Picnic/Swim event.
- To Board members Loretta Czerbinski, John Chambers, Claire Mumma and Lionel Swope and Little Sister Chinninia Clopper for picking up trash on the agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway program on June 27th.
- To Lou Guerrero for his donation of tickets to the Orioles/Twins game of July 10th.
- To Stephen Mallon for his donation of tickets to the Orioles/Twins game of July 11th.



More accidents and injuries, particularly to children, occur during the summer months than any other time of the year. Closer parental supervision and a little caution can help reduce the risk of injury. Here's how:

- * *Be sure children know and understand that they must follow the same rules of the road when riding a bicycle as drivers of motor vehicles.*
- * *Make sure your child has and wears a bicycle helmet which reduces the risk of head injury.*
- * *Never allow your child to swim alone or in unauthorized places.*
- * *Do not allow children to use inflatable toys and mattresses as life preservers as they can deflate and/or the child may slip off.*
- * *Guard against diving mishaps by urging children to jump in feet-first.*
- * *Safeguard your pool with a fence. Gates should have latches that small children can't reach.*

Source: Gaslines

CHANGES? MOVING? NEW ADDRESS??

PLEASE be sure to call the office if you move, change your phone number or have a new address. We need to know where you are and how to call you. THANKS!!!

BIG BROTHERS & BIG SISTERS ARE NEEDED!!
ASK SOMEONE TODAY TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP!

the bottom line -

Love and friendship are the greatest things in life.

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AUGUST, 1992

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR

Introducing...

Thank you!

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

Bill Grove/Andrew Mowery -

Bill has been in our program since 1990. On July 1, 1992, he took Andrew Mowery as his new Little Brother. Bill is employed as a truck driver with Rentals Unlimited, Inc. Andrew is 8 years old and will be entering the 4th grade at Winter Street Elementary School in the fall.

Cherry Ambush/Shaurice Booth -

Cherry was matched with Shaurice on July 10, 1992. She is an Air Traffic Controller with the Hagerstown Air Traffic Control Tower. Shaurice is 12 years old and will be entering the 6th grade at E. Russell Hicks Middle School.

Naomi Doucette/Lynale Frazier -

Naomi is a newcomer to our program. On July 14, 1992, she was matched with Lynale Frazier. Naomi is employed with Citicorp Credit Services as a printer operator. Lynale is 10 years old and will be entering the 5th grade at Lincolnshire Elementary School.

potpourri -

- *Oops, we goofed. Thanks also go to Board member Fred Barnett for helping to pick up trash on the agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway program on June 27th.*

- *Oops, we goofed again. Little Brother Paul Wolfe graduated from North Hagerstown High School on June 8th.*

- *Congratulations go to Little Brother Pete Ringus for his participation on the winning American Little League team and also for helping the American All Star team make it to 2nd place.*

- *Big Sister JoAnne Schindel is planning a trip with her Little to the Smithsonian Institute in the fall and would like to know if any other Big/Little teams would like to join her. Anyone interested can call JoAnne at (H) 582-9709 or (W) 790-3920.*

- To Hagerstown Lodge #217 A.F. & A.M. and the V.F.W., William D. Byron Post #1936 for their generous donations recently made to our program.

- To the Antietam Exchange Club for their donation of \$300.00 made to our program towards the cost of outdoor signage for the agency office.

- To Hagerstown International Association of Firefighters Local 1605, Bob McKee, Cortland Mead, Nadia Miller and Senator Don Munson for their donation of tickets for the Bentley Brothers Circus.

Volunteer today-
to share your ♥ with a child

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,
knee-patcher and peacemaker,
ballplayer and bill-juggler...

HANDS ENOUGH-
to wipe away the tears,
to reach out when I'm needed,
to hug and to hold, to tickle and touch...

HEART ENOUGH-
to share and to care,
to listen and to understand,
and to make a loving home for my family.



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WHAT A WEEKEND

After 16 years at Etichinson's Big Bear Lake, the annual camping trip had a change of scenery. More than 50 Bigs, Littles and friends came out to Fort Frederick State Park the weekend of August 14th-16th, rain or shine. Even though most of the weekend was spent under cloudy skies and rain, that did not dampen spirits.

Friday was spent setting up camp, warming pizza by the campfire and catching up with old friends while making new ones.

Then it was early to rise Saturday morning for the fishing rodeo hosted by the Potomac Bass Anglers. The trophy for the largest fish went to Jason Shriner. Chris Purnell received the trophy for the most fish caught. And Matt Stover won the trophy for the biggest bass caught. No one went away empty handed. Everyone received a real nice prize.

Saturday afternoon brought rain, but that didn't stop anyone from enjoying themselves. Tennisball, volleyball and more fishing were very popular, while others seeked shelter to enjoy their lunch.

The rain was still falling Saturday evening, but that didn't keep activities from continuing. A flashlight scavenger hunt was held after dark which took everyone to the Fort to collect historical information, then down around the railroad for flowers and live insects. The winning team consisted of Jason Barnhart, Fred Barrett, Jason Cohen, Ramon Gonzales and Meg Mallon.

Sunday, the tents came down and people left with wet feet and mosquito bites, but with memories of a funfilled weekend. The memories of making new friends, laughter from both the adults and the kids, catching that one fish, untangling fishing line, delicious home cooked meals, trying not to miss the train, rain and more rain, but most of all just being part of it.



HANDLING HOMEWORK



The best way to handle your child's homework is not to handle it at all. The prime purpose of after-school assignments is to give kids experience in working on their own. Taking over that responsibility only undermines an important growth and learning process. To keep school nights from becoming school nightmares, here are some homework Dos and Don'ts:

- * DO provide your child with a suitable work space, adequate reference books and privacy, if desired, but...
- * DO allow your child to work at the kitchen table if that's where he or she is most comfortable.
- * DON'T help your child with homework unless he or she specifically requests that you do so.
- * DON'T use homework time to criticize your child's posture, appearance or study methods.
- * DO show an interest in the work your child does.
- * DO be sympathetic to complaints about homework.
- * DON'T nag a child to do homework.
- * DON'T insist on checking the work unless your child or the teacher asks you to do so.



AUGUST MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Trina Johnson (3 yrs) Tina Horst

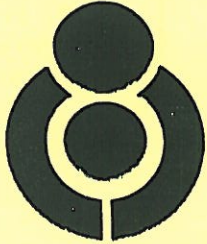
Calendar

Wednesday, September 22, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
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the bottom line -

Today well lived, makes yesterday a dream of happiness and tomorrow a vision of hope.

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SEPTEMBER, 1992

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



SEPTEMBER MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Jill Poffenberger (6 yrs) Annie Shumaker

Karla Mease (1 yr) Marsha West



Wednesday, September 23, 1992. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street.

Wednesday, October 28, 1992. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street.

Friday, October 30, 1992. 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Agency Halloween Party. Gardenour Orchards
Mark this date on your calendar.

Wednesday, December 9, 1992. 6:30 p.m.
Annual Christmas Dinner. Details later.
Mark this date on your calendar.

ADOPT A HIGHWAY

The agency will have its next Adopt-A-Highway Clean-up on Saturday, September 26, 1992. We will meet at the corner of Route #144 and Western Maryland Parkway at 9:00 a.m.

Any Big/Little teams interested in helping with the clean-up are asked to come out and help. Hope to see you there.

Introducing...

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

Paul Singer/Pete Ringus -

Paul is a newcomer to our program. On August 6th, he was matched with Little Brother Pete Ringus. Paul is a Police Officer with the Waynesboro Police Department. Pete is 12 years old and is in the 7th grade.

Neil Caricofe/Eric Miller -

Neil is also new to our program. He was matched with Eric Miller on August 7th. Neil is a professional wrestler better known as "Neil 'The Power' Superior". Eric is in the 7th grade at E. Russell Hicks Middle School. He is 12 years old.

Craig Newcomer/Joseph Keltner -

Craig has been in our program since 1990. On August 10th, he took Joseph Keltner as an additional Little Brother. Craig is a Sales Agent for Banker's Life & Casualty. Joseph is 8 years old and in the 3rd grade at Pangborn Elementary School.

Craig Wishard/John Linster -

Craig has been in our program since 1989. He took Little Brother John Linster as a new assignment on August 12th. Craig owns and operates Cards Unlimited. John is 11 years old and in the 6th grade at Springfield Middle School.

Tim Thomas/Kristopher Fitzwater -

Tim is another newcomer to our program. On August 28th he was matched with Kristopher Fitzwater. Tim is a Customer Service Representative with Claims Administration Corp. in Rockville, MD. Kristopher is a 5th grader at Emma K. Doub Elementary School. He is 10 years old.



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Lend Your Helping Hand... the United Way.

United Way begins fund-raising

The United Way of Washington County funds 24 agencies in our community. Last year, over 100,000 people received help from these agencies. The help provided is not only desirable, but essential.



People Helping People

The 1992 campaign is now underway. This year's goal is \$1,525,000. The money raised will be used to fund the 24 agencies which include Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

We need to support the United Way! Please give your fair share through payroll deduction 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.

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

- * Every Tuesday - "The Explorers" at the Washington County Planetarium at 7:00 p.m.
- * Every Sunday - N.H.R.A. Championship Drag Racing - Mason Dixon Dragway.
- * September 25-26 - 21st Annual Hunting and Fishing Day Observance. Washington County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, Valley Mall.
- * September 25-27 - Mountain Heritage Arts & Crafts Festival. Harpers Ferry, Wv.
- * September 26-27 - Smithsburg Steam & Craft Show. Smithsburg Fireman's Grounds.
- * October 3rd - Williamsport Farm Festival - Springfield Complex.

Thank you!

- To Big Brother Charlie Rowe and his family for hosting the annual camping trip.
- To the Potomac Bass Anglers for having a Fishing Rodeo for all the Littles during the annual camping trip.
- To the many individuals, organizations and businesses that generously contributed to the success of the camping trip. Each have been individually thanked.
- To Cindy and Will Zimmerman for donating Hagerstown Suns tickets to Big & Little Sisters Pam Walsh and Heather Nave.
- To Mike Main and The Office Equipment Company for their donation of Hagerstown Suns tickets.

- potpourri -

Congratulations to Big Brother Joe Shepherd on his new position as Intake Coordinator with Hospice of Washington County. Joe started at Hospice on June 1, 1992.

Congratulations to Big Brother Lionel Swope on his new position at PATS, Inc. in Columbia, MD. Lionel started at PATS, Inc. on July 27, 1992.

We want to thank Little Brother Jason Barnhart for taking time out of his busy schedule this summer to volunteer at Ravenwood Nursing Home. It is always nice to see a Little volunteering to help others.

Little Sister Heather Nave was a big help with the Adopt-A-Highway program for the Knights of Columbus.



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OCTOBER, 1992

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



PEN PALS

Any Littles interested in having a pen pal across the world? Big Sister Pam Walsh is leaving for India in January and would like to deliver your letters.

If you are interested, have your Big Brother/Sister help you write your letter and either drop it off or mail it to: Ms. Pam Walsh, 44 Wakefield Road, Hagerstown, MD 21740, no later than January 10, 1993. She will take all letters with her to India and pass them out among the schools. Any questions, just call the agency office.

-potpourri-

Congratulations to Board Member, John Psillas, and wife Nancy, on the birth of their son, Max William Psillas. Max was born on September 15, 1992 and weighed in at 6 lbs., 12 ozs.

Congratulations to Big Sister, Karla Mease on her new job. Karla is a Dental Hygienist at Dr. John Stull's dental office.

Big Sister JoAnne Schindle is planning a trip to the Smithsonian Institute on November 7th. JoAnne and a couple of other Bigs are taking their Littles on the activity together. If any other matches are interested please contact JoAnne at (H) 582-9709 or (W) 790-3920.

Hope you saw the feature article on the Mowery boys and their Big Brothers in the September 27th Horizon Section of The Herald-Mail. We have gotten some calls from possible Bigs as a result of this article.

CASEWORKER NOTICE

It is a MUST that Meg Mallon, the agency's Casework Supervisor, talk with you on a regular basis. Sometimes, when she calls you she finds you too busy or unable to talk.

If you tell her you will call her back, PLEASE do so! It can be very frustrating to wait for return calls that never happen.

PLEASE return her calls! When she is able to do her job, it helps everyone.

Wednesday, October 28, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street.

Friday, October 30th, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Agency Halloween Party. Gardenour Orchards.
Complete details in the enclosed flyer!

Wednesday, November 18, 1992, 6:30 p.m.
BB/BS Annual Dinner Meeting.
Make plans to attend.

Thursday, Nov. 26th - Friday, Nov. 27th
Office closed for Thanksgiving, will
reopen, Monday, November 30th.

Wednesday, December 9, 1992. 6:30 p.m.
Annual Christmas Dinner. Details later.
Mark this date on your calendar!

PLAN FOR TEACHER CONFERENCES

Here are some suggestions offered by educators and parents to make parent-teacher conferences less defensive and stressful and more constructive:

** Talk to your child about the meeting; get his/her suggestions as to what needs to be discussed; reassure your child that conferences are helpful to his/her progress.*

** Get acquainted with your child's teacher. Be familiar with the teacher's style and approach.*

** Be prepared with information about your child--facts about home life, personality, problems. Be ready to express concerns about school work and your child's progress.*

** Ask the teacher about what goes on in your child's school, so together you can set goals and establish checkpoints.*

** Follow up on any concerns identified during the conference with frequent, informal contacts with the teacher.*

** Talk to other parents about experiences with parent-teacher conferences.*

Source: Gaslines



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Lend Your Helping Hand... the United Way.



OCTOBER
MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Pat Poffenberger (7 yrs)	Carol Burkner
Ed Distad (5 yrs)	Wayne Gossert
Thomas Van Hecke (5 yrs)	Dwayne Frazier
Pam Hause (4 yrs)	Laura West
Milton Stamper (2 yrs)	Nathan Mowery

* SWIM OPPORTUNITY *

Now that the weather is turning cold and it will be getting dark earlier, we want to remind all Big and Little Brother/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:

Large Pool

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

Small Pool

Monday, Thursday & Friday	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Sunday	12:00 - 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 Y pool.

Thank you!

- To Board Members Ed Beachley, Ed Distad, Brad Fulton, Pam Hause, Bob McKee, Lionel Swope and Anne Wilson and Little Brother Wayne Gossert for helping with the clean-up of the Agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway program.

the bottom line -

When you stop giving and offering something to the rest of the world, it's time to turn out the lights.

George Burns

Introducing...

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

Lionel Swope/David Perkins -

Lionel has been in our program since 1971. On September 28th he was matched with David Perkins. Lionel is employed at PATS, Inc. in Columbia, MD. David is 13 years old and is in the 7th grade.

REPORT CARD TIME

The first marking period for the 1992-1993 school year ends on Thursday, November 5th. Report cards will be sent home the week of November 9th - 13th.

If your Little doesn't show you his/her report card, ask to see it so you'll know how your Little is doing in school. As a Big Brother or a Big Sister you need to provide help, praise and encouragement.

With your help, your Little can do good in school.



OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MD.

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**BIG BROTHERS/
BIG SISTERS**

NOVEMBER, 1992

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



NOVEMBER MATCH ANNIVERSARIES

BB/BS

George Rowe

(6 yrs)

LB/LS

Frank Shupp

Ned Reed

(3 yrs)

Todd Chaco

Gordon Hurlburt

(2 yrs)

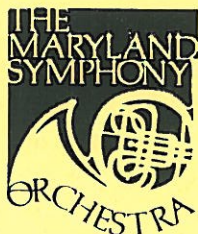
Richard Stull



Thursday, Nov. 26th - Friday, Nov. 27th
Office closed for Thanksgiving, will reopen,
Monday, November 30th at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, December 9, 1992. 6:30 p.m.
Annual Christmas Dinner. Maugansville Fire
Hall. Details on enclosed flyer:

Wednesday, December 16, 1992. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Board of Directors meeting.
Agency office - 16 W. Franklin Street.



You'll love it live!

Free tickets are available for the
Big and Little teams for the
Maryland Symphony Orchestra
Christmas Concert to be held at the
Maryland Theatre on Sunday,
December 13th 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.

Introducing...

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

Annette Bain/Heather West -

Annette is new to our program. On October
26th she was matched with Little Sister
Heather West. Annette is employed with
Washington County Human Development as a
Residential Manager. Heather is 13 years old
and is in the 8th grade at Marshall Street
School.

Washington County
Maryland
More than you can imagine.

During the month of November, 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.

November 23rd - D.A.D. Treelighting Ceremony and
Hollyfest. Begins at Public Square Downtown
Hagerstown with the Hollyfest program at the Maryland
Theatre, 6:00 p.m.

December 4th - City Park Illumination, Hagerstown City
Park.

December 5th - Antietam National Battlefield Memorial
Illumination, Antietam Battlefield, Sharpsburg.

Month Long Activities - December:

The Jonathan Hager House & Museum, "Away in a
Manger," December 1st - 31st, (closed Mondays).

The Miller House, Christmas at the Miller House,
December 14th - 23rd, 26th - 27th.

"Star of Wonder," every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:00
p.m. from December 1st - 22nd at the Washington
Planetarium.



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DIALAMERICA?*

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Thank you!

- To Big Sister Lisa Koontz for making the agency's quilt square for the United Way's quilt.
- To Jane Long, Teresa Rossiter, Vernon Stouffer and Erna Wagner for their generous contributions to our program.
- To American Legion Morris Frock Post #42 for sending 5 of our Little Brothers to Camp West Mar.
- To Kenneth W. Graber, CPA, of Graber & Ross, Chartered for doing the agency's 1991 audit.
- To Kathleen D. Vogt, Executive Director of the United Way of Washington County for being the guest speaker at the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Annual Dinner Meeting.

HALLOWEEN FUN!



On Friday, October 30, 1992 our annual Halloween party was held for the second year at Gardenhour Orchards.

Despite the drizzling rain, activities went on and all who came out seemed to have a good time. Both Bigs and Littles participated in challenging, but fun filled games. Little Sisters, Chinninia Clopper and Laura West were the winners of the marshmallow/balloon race, while the Bigs team took the win of the straw gun game. Some of our sneaky Littles thought the object of the game was to unnoticingly slip extra toothpicks into their teams bucket, but they were wrong.

All those who put the time and creativity into dressing up for the occasion participated in a costume parade. Prizes were awarded to : Little Sister Lynale Frazier "Aunt Jemima" for funniest costume, Little Brother Jake Horst "Dracula" for scariest costume, and Little Sister Laura West and Big Sister Pam House "Jelly Bean Bags" for most original. All costumes were great!

A pumpkin contest also took place. The winners, by applause, were Little Brother Mike Horst, and Little Sister Tina Horst.

Thanks goes to Mr. & Mrs. Bill Gardenhour for allowing the use of their facilities that night and for taking everyone on a hayride. An extra special thanks goes to them for taking time out, at last minutes notice, to cook holdogs. Without their generosity the event would have been unsuccessful.

BIG BROTHERS & BIG SISTERS ARE NEEDED!!!!
ASK SOMEONE TODAY TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP!

- *The bottom line* -

O Lord that lends me life,
lend me a heart replete with thankfulness.

William Shakespeare



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DECEMBER, 1992

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



DECEMBER MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

Fred Barrett
Brett McKoy
Mike Gellar

(9 yrs)
(1 yr)
(1 yr)

LB/LS

Tony Nave
Nathan Henderson
Joey Salvador



Wednesday, December 16, 1992. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Board of Directors meeting.
Agency office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Wednesday, January 27, 1993. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Board of Directors meeting.
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Sunday, March 28, 1993. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake
Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

Thank you!

- To Jean Barrie and Pauline Dando for their generous contributions to our program.

- To First National Bank of Maryland for their donation of tickets to the Maryland Symphony Orchestra Holiday Concert.

- To the Maugansville Fire Company Auxiliary for hosting the Annual Christmas Dinner.

- To John Negley for being Santa Claus at the Christmas Dinner.

Introducing...

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

Christie Pritchard/Jasmine Fitzwater -

Christie is new to our program. On November 9th she was matched with Jasmine Fitzwater. Christie is a Substance Abuse Counselor with the Washington County Health Department. Jasmine is 12 years old and in the 6th grade at E. Russell Hicks Middle School.

Susan Reed/Tasha Mankins -

Susan is also a newcomer to our program. She was matched with Tasha Mankins on November 10th. Susan is employed as the Western Maryland Representative for Senator Barbara Mikulski. Tasha is in the 3rd grade at Bester Elementary School. She is 8 years old.

- potpourri -

- We are happy to report that Board Member, Gary Weaver is recuperating after a bout with pneumonia and a stay at the hospital. Hope your feeling better.

- Congratulations go to Big Sister Cyndi Beall on her position as new Vice President of Student Teacher Coordinators for the Washington County Literacy Council.

Cyndi is always looking for volunteer. Anyone interested, call Cyndi at 739-9413 or call the Literacy Council at 739-3250 ext. 161.

- Congratulations to Big Sister Jo Anne Schindel on her new job position with attorney, Carl Disque.

- Big Sister Jo Anne Schindel is planning a trip to the National Aquarium in Baltimore, Maryland which is to take place in February. Jo Anne and a couple of other Bigs are taking their Littles on the activity together. If any other matches are interested, please contact Jo Anne at (H) 582-9709 or (W) 797-3739.



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* ELECTION OF OFFICERS *

The 1993 slate of officers for the Board of Directors was elected at the November Annual Dinner Meeting.

Serving the agency in 1993 will be Cynthia Perini, President; Brigid Whitman, 1st Vice President; Debra Bastian, 2nd Vice President; Pamela Hause, Secretary; and Jerry Rafter, Treasurer.

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 children in 1993.

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

BOARD MEMBER OF THE YEAR

The Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Washington County presented Pamela Hause with the Board Member of the Year award at the Annual Dinner Meeting.

Pam has served on the Board of Directors as Secretary since the merger of Big Brothers and Big Sisters in July of 1991. She has also co-chaired the Bowl For Kids' Sake event for the past two years. Pam has also been an active Big Sister since 1988.

We would like to thank Pam for the time and dedication given to Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Congratulations Pam!

BIG BROTHER/BIG SISTER AWARDS PRESENTED

At the November 18th Annual Dinner Meeting, Big Brother, Ed Distad and Big Sister, Brigid Whitman were presented with the awards Big Brother and Big Sister of the Year by their Littles Wayne Gossert and Farrah Landaker.

These individuals represent volunteers giving more than just precious time, but a listening ear, fulfilled days and someone that can be depended on through the good and the bad.

We would like to congratulate Ed and Brigid on the time and talent they have dedicated in working with Wayne and Farrah.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED

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

Those elected for three-year terms were Lynann Adams, Loretta Czerbinski, B. Mark Dickinson, Brad Fulton, Bill Hatcher, Roy Holton, Sterling Moyer, Craig Newcomer, Rosemarie Pellegrino and Gary Weaver.

Marcy McCleary was elected to fill a two-year vacancy.

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.

Office Closing

The agency office will be closed for the Christmas Holidays from 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 23rd until Monday, January 4th.

The answering machine will be on during that time and the calls will be monitored. In case of emergency, contact Bob McKee at 739-2896. Do not hesitate to give him a call if you have concerns or need assistance.



- the bottom line -

Give and forgive.

Marie Therese
Rodet Geoffrin



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JANUARY, 1993

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



JANUARY MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Fred Barrett	(7 yrs)	Jason Barnhart
Laura Geesaman	(4 yrs)	Shelly Robertson
Laura Rizer	(1 yr)	Tammy Kirby
Jo Anne Schindel	(1 yr)	Mary Obitts
Cyndi Beall	(1 yr)	Charlotte Line
Zoe Hunt	(1 yr)	Chanelle Purser-Smith



Wednesday, January 27, 1993. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Board of Directors meeting.
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Wednesday, February 17, 1993. 6:30-9 p.m.
BB/BS Skate Party at Starland Roller Rink
Details on enclosed flyer.

Wednesday, February 24, 1993. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Board of Directors meeting.
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Sunday, March 28, 1993. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake
Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

ANTIETAM EXCHANGE CLUB

presents

20th Annual Italian Festa

Sunday, February 7, 1993
The Venable Ballroom - 12 noon 5:30 pm
Advance Sales \$7.00
Purchased at door \$8.00
Children 7 and Under FREE
Price includes All you Can Eat
SPAGHETTI - SALAD - BREAD
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 BB/BS program.

Introducing...

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

Kristie Palmer/Brandy Smith -

Kristie is new to our program. On December 17th she was matched with Brandy Smith. Kristie is a Clinical Social Worker at Brooklane Psychiatric Center. Brandy is 7 years old and in the 2nd grade at Lincolnshire Elementary School.

FREE TICKETS!

Free tickets are available for The Baltimore Spirits indoor soccer games on the dates listed below. Please call in advance for the specific games you want so that there is enough time to have the tickets mailed to us. The donor requests that the tickets ordered be used. Please take advantage of this terrific offer!

DATE	TIME	TEAMS THEY WILL BE PLAYING
1/23/92	7:35 p.m.	Wichita Wings
1/30/93	2:05 p.m.	Dayton Dynamo
2/13/93	7:35 p.m.	Cleveland Crunch
2/20/93	2:05 p.m.	Canton Invaders
2/27/93	7:35 p.m.	Kansas City Attack
3/10/93	7:05 p.m.	Milwaukee Wave
3/14/93	2:05 p.m.	Harrisburg Heat
3/20/93	7:35 p.m.	Detroit Rockers
3/21/93	2:05 p.m.	Buffalo Blizzard

Thank you!

- To the Loyal Order of Moose, Lodge #212; Washington County AMVEJ, Post #10 and the Western Maryland Troopers Association for their generous contributions to the program.



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Ready?
On your Mark!
Get Set —
for the new, exciting
Bowl for Kids' Sake!



Preparations for the ninth annual Bowl For Kids' Sake 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/Big Sisters program in Washington County. The event will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 28, 1993 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 March 28th for some real fun with Bowl For Kids' Sake.

TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR VOLUNTEERS

You can deduct reasonable unreimbursed out-of-pocket expenses you pay to allow underprivileged youths to attend athletic events, movies or dinners. The youths must be selected by a charitable organization whose goal is to reduce juvenile delinquency. Your own similar expenses in accompanying the youths are not deductible.

Volunteers may also 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."

REPORT CARD TIME

The second marking period for the 1992-1993 school year ends on Thursday, January 28, 1993.

Report cards will be sent home to students the following week.

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

With your help, your Little can do good in school!

polpourri -

- Oops! We goofed. Last month we gave you a number to call if you were interested in volunteering at the Washington County Literacy Council. The home number of Cyndi Beall was incorrect. The correct number is 791-9413. Sorry Cyndi!

- Congratulations to BB Jeff Jenkins on his promotion to Technical Sergeant with the West Virginia Air National Guard.

- We would like to wish BB Tom Van Hecke and his new wife Carol a lifetime of love and happiness. Congratulations on your marriage of July 20, 1992.

- Congratulations goes out to LB Larry Moore for winning the MVA (Silver Helmet Award) of South High in football and for winning the "Fastest Pin" in wrestling at the Berkeley Springs Holiday Invitational.

- We are happy to report that BB Michael Banyard is up and about after being laid up over the holidays. Hope you are feeling better!

- If anyone got to see the 5th grade paintings displayed January 11th - 15th in the window of the Book Store in downtown Hagerstown, you got to see LB Jason Shriners' wonderful painting of Peter Pan. Good work Jason!

- For those matches interested, the National Aquarium in Baltimore trip has been scheduled for Saturday, February 13, 1992. For more information, call the agency office.

The bottom line -

The difference between the impossible and the possible lies in a person's determination.

Tommy Lasorda



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FEBRUARY/MARCH, 1993

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR

Introducing...

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

Brian Ferrari/Jeffrey Swope:

Brian is a newcomer to our program. On January 12th he was matched with Jeffrey Swope. Brian is a teacher at South Hagerstown High School. Jeffrey is 9 years old and in the 4th grade at Bester Elementary School.

Lionel Swope/Mickey Mankins:

Lionel has been in our program since 1971. He was matched with Mickey Mankins on February 8th. Lionel is employed at PATS, Inc. in Columbia, MD. Mickey is 7 years old and in the 2nd grade at Bester Elementary School.

Calendar

Wednesday, March 24, 1993. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Sunday, March 28, 1993. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
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Turner's Dual Lanes on the Dual Highway.

Saturday, June 5, 1993. Appalachian Trail
Hike. Joint hike with 3 other BB/BS
Agencies. More details to follow!

Saturday, June 12, 1993. 9:00 a.m.
7th Annual Home Improvement Auction
Robert Mullendore Farm (on Route 68)
Mark this date on your calendar!

Wednesday, June 30, 1993, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
BB/BS Family Picnic/Swim. Martin Snook
Park. Mark this date on your calendar!

Thank you!

- To Day & Schneider PA and Viki Draper for the gratis legal work they did for the agency.
- To Barbara Donaldson and Starland Roller Rink for hosting the skate party for all the Littles and Bigs.
- To the EverReady Class of the First Christian Church and Douglas Wright for their generous contributions to the agency.
- To Vince Fortitta and Concordia Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod for making Christmas special for a Little Brother and Little Sister.
- A special thanks goes to Eric Fidler who has taken the time out of his busy schedule to tutor LB Dard Stephens in Algebra and Chemistry.
- To Pugh's Petcelera Pet Shop for their donation of a fish aquarium, stand and the supplies needed for the aquarium to help with the decor of the agency office.
- To Board Members Bill Hatcher, Holly Proctor and Lionel Swope and to John Proctor for helping to clean-up the Agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway Program



FEBRUARY/MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

BB/BS

LB/LS

Debra Bastian	(4 yrs)	Dawnita Smith
Pam Walsh	(4 yrs)	Heather Nave
Brigid Whitman	(3 yrs)	Farrah Landaker
Michael Banyard	(1 yr)	Bernard Trost
Gordon Hurlburt	(1 yr)	Larry Shriner
Lisa Koontz	(1 yr)	Roberta Kesselring
Tammy Wylie	(1 yr)	Star Hose



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1993 BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE
SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 1993
9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
TURNER'S DUAL LANES



The ninth annual Bowl For Kids' Sake event will be held from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 28, 1993 at Turner's Dual Lanes. Both duck and ten pin bowling will be offered.

We need everyone's help to make this a successful fund raiser. We need our Bigs and Littles to form teams and bowl. Each bowler is expected to get sponsors.

There will be plenty of door prizes available and every bowler will receive a memento for participating.

All monies raised from Bowl For Kids' Sake will stay in Washington County and help the program provide service to more children.

Help is still needed for the day of the event. If any Big and Little teams are interested in helping out the day of the event, call the agency office.

Your support and participation are needed to make the 1993 Bowl For Kids' Sake a success!

SHRINE CIRCUS

Tickets are available for the Ali Khan Shrine Circus. The circus will be held on Saturday, April 3, 1993 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. The performances will be held at the Hagerstown Junior College Athletic, Recreation & Community Center.

Tickets are free for Bigs and Littles. If you are interested in tickets please call the agency office at 739-4711.

BFKS RAFFLE - WIN A TV/VCR!!!

In conjunction with Bowl For Kids' Sake, Big Brothers/Big Sisters will be holding a raffle the day of the event. We will be raffling a Magnavox 20" color TV with built in VCR. Tickets are on sale at the agency office. If any Big Brothers or Big Sisters can sell any raffle tickets, just call the agency office and we'll see that you get a few to sell.

potpourri -

- Congratulations to Board President Cynthia Perini and her husband, Peter on the birth of Meredith Ashley Perini on February 18th. Meredith arrived at 5:30 a.m. and weighed in at 8 lbs. 9 ozs.

- We are happy to report that BB Paul Singer is up and about after being laid up the first of the year. Hope you are feeling better.

- We would like to congratulate BS Naomi Doucelte for receiving the Citicorp Service Excellence Award for her hard work and dedication. Good job Naomi!

- Congratulations to LB Larry Moore for being named to the First All County Wrestling Team in the Heavyweight division. Good Luck, Larry!

- The bottom line -

*If you give a man a fish,
he will eat for day
If you teach a man to fish,
he will eat for a lifetime
If you teach a child to fish,
he may feed the world.*



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APRIL, 1993

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



APRIL MATCH
ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Gregg DeLauney (7 yrs) Larry Moore
Teresa Barthlow (2 yrs) Ginger Pace



FISHING

DERBY

The Washington County Chapter of The Izak Walton League and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources are extending an invitation to their fishing derby.

The derby is to be held on Saturday, May 1st with the raindate being May 8th. It will be on the Chapter Club-grounds on Independence Road just off Route 40 West. For specific directions contact the agency office at 739-4711.

Tackle and bait will be provided, however additional tackle will be needed and you may bring your own gear.

Lunch will be provided following the fishing and prizes will be awarded after lunch.

Reservations are needed and can be made by calling 733-4092.

-potpourri-

- Congratulations to Board member Doug Fiery and his wife Julie on the birth of their daughter, Amanda Lauren Fiery, on March 25th. Amanda arrived at 7:18 p.m. and weighed in at 7lb. 12 oz.

- Congratulations go to Big Brother Bill Grove on receiving his diploma from the New York Institute of Photography. Good job Bill!

- The National Aquarium in Baltimore trip that was cancelled in February has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 1, 1993. Any matches that are interested can contact the agency office or Big Sister JoAnne Schindel at (H) 582-9702 or (W) 797-3739.

- We would like to congratulate Big Sister Debbie Bastian on her new position as Assistant Director of Finance for Washington County.

- Congratulations to Big Brother Tim Thomas on his new job position as Manager Trainee for 1st United National Bank & Trust on Wesel Blvd.

- We would like to congratulate Little Sister Chanelle Purser-Smith for receiving the Principal Recommendation Award for her helpfulness and positive attitude. Good job Chanelle!

Calendar

Saturday, April 24, 1993. 1:00 p.m.
Big Brothers/Big Sisters Car Rally
Details on enclosed flyer!

Wednesday, April 28, 1993. 7:00 p.m.
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Saturday, May 22, 1993. 6:00 p.m.
Appalachian Trail Hike Orientation meeting.
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Thank You, Volunteers!



It's all over! March 28th was a huge success.

Over \$32,000.00 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 Gary Weaver and Claire Mumma for co-chairing this year's event.

If you have any input on this year's event or suggestions, please direct them to the agency 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.

REPORT CARD TIME

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SUPER SPECIALS

The time for (V)olunteers-(I)mportant (P)eople Week is once again approaching. As the time nears, we want to recognize our individual Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

Volunteers have become a "rare commodity", a "vanishing breed". Our debt to each of you is great. Without you, there would be no program.

In a world that has become increasingly selfish, a Big Brother or Big Sister is a beautiful person. You give of your time, talent, and most importantly, your love.

We can't afford to pay an hourly wage to you for the time you spend with your Little Brother or Little Sister, because the cost would be too enormous. You really can't attach a price tag to the feeling a Little Brother or Little Sister has knowing he or she is cared about and loved.

During the week of April 18th-24th, as the United Way celebrates VIP Week, we salute our volunteer Big Brothers and Big Sisters for the concern and compassion that continues to be a source of love and inspiration in Washington County.

Thank you!

- To Little Brother Chris Purnell for setting up the agency's fish aquarium.
- To the Shi Dhan Shrine Temple for their donation of Shrine Circus tickets.
- To Board members Raymond Holton and Jerry Rafter for picking up trash on the agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway program on March 27th.
- To Robert S. Cochran for his donation of tickets to the opening games of the new Hagerstown Suns.

the bottom line -

Teach children to choose the right path, and when they are older they will remain upon it.

Proverbs 22:6



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MAY, 1993

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



MAY MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

Brian Snyder	(9 yrs)	David Tomlinson
Mike & Mary Brown	(6 yrs)	Arlene Greer
Charles Cushwa	(4 yrs)	Jeff Resseger
Gary Naugle	(4 yrs)	Dard Stephens
Jeff Jenkins	(1 yr)	Richard Spigler

LB/LS



Saturday, May 22, 1993. 6:00 p.m.
Appalachian Trail Hike Orientation meeting.
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.
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Wednesday, May 26, 1993. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Board of Directors Meeting
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Thank you!

- To Board Members Ray Holton and Jerry Rafter for helping with the Agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway Program on Saturday, March 27th.
- To Emmett Kelly Tent No. 41 CFA for their donation of tickets to the Clyde Beatty Cole Brothers Circus.
- To Board Member Ray Holton for chairing the successful Car Rally/Pizza Party group activity for April.

BB/BS HOME IMPROVEMENT

AUCTION

The 7th Annual Big Brothers/Big Sisters Home Improvement Auction is scheduled for Saturday, June 12, 1993. Last year's Auction was a big success and this year's promises to be the best ever!

Again this year, Robert Mullendore is donating his time as Auctioneer for the event. He has also generously donated his auction facilities. Bigs and Littles will be on hand selling baked goods and food.

A preview of the materials will begin at 8:00 a.m. with the actual Auction beginning at 9:00 a.m.

If any one has anything they would like to donate to the Auction, or if you are willing to bake some goodies to be sold, please call Rhonda at the agency office at 739-4711.

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- Congratulations to LB Wayne Dossert on his new job at Luzies Restaurant. Good luck Wayne.
- Congratulations to BB Kristie Palmer, project manager for Brook Lane's community based satellite services, for her efforts to servicing the tri-state area. Good work Kristie!
- BB Joan Bowers invites any matches interested to the Miss Maryland Troop Show/Reception which is to be held Tuesday, June 22, 1993, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Girls' Inc. No reservation needed. Dress casual.
- Any matches interested in attending the Miss Maryland Pageant Thursday, June 24th and Friday June 25th at the Maryland Theatre, can call the office to make reservations no later than Wednesday, June 16th. Big Sister Joan Bowers will be donating tickets to those who make reservations.
- Congratulations go to Car Rally winners; BB Jim Thomas and LB Kristopher Fitzwater, 1st place; BB Bill Grove and LB Andrew Mowery, 2nd place; BB Ed Distad and LB Wayne Dossert, 3rd place; ED Bob McKee and LB's Bud Bikle and Chris Purnell, 4th place.



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7th ANNUAL
Big Brothers/Big Sisters
HOME
IMPROVEMENT
AUCTION



DATE: Saturday, June 12, 1993

Washington County
 **Maryland**
More than you can imagine.

During the months of May and June, 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.

May 23rd - Blacksmithing Demonstration.
Jonathan Hager House & Museum.

May 25th - The Mars Show. Washington County Planetarium. 7:00 p.m.

May 28th - June 5th - Boonsboro Carnival.
Shafer Memorial Park. Tues - Fri 5 p.m.-12 midnight, Sat - Mon 12 noon-12 midnight.

May 29th - Sharpsburg Memorial Day Celebration.
Sharpsburg Public Square. 11:45 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

May 29th - 30th - Halfway Park Days. Marty Snook Memorial Park. Sat 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sun 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

June 4th - Kelly-Miller Bros. Circus. Hagerstown Speedway.

June 5th - Maryland Governor's Youth Fishing Derby, Greenbrier State Park. 9 a.m.-12 noon.

June 5th - Baseball Card Show. Ramada Inn. 9:00 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 6th - Pine Needle Basketry Demonstration.
Jonathan Hager House & Museum. 2 - 5 p.m.

June 11th - 12th - Mountain Heritage Arts & Crafts Festival. Harpers Ferry, WV 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

June 19th - Soap Box Derby - Washington Avenue between Devonshire & West Side Avenue. 12 noon. Raindate June 20th.

Every Sunday - N.H.R.A. Championship Drag Racing. Mason Dixon Dragway, Route 40 East, Hagerstown.

* * * OFFICE CLOSING * * *

The agency office will be closed on Monday, May 31st for Memorial Day. We will reopen Tuesday, June 1st.

HOW TO ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO READ

Research shows that children who spend time reading are better prepared to learn and to succeed later on in life. Here are some suggestions to help encourage your child to make reading a priority:

- * Make sure your child has access to reading materials that he/she can understand and enjoy.
- * Read with your child. Share newspaper and magazine articles on subjects you know your child is interested in.
- * Encourage reading aloud. Even older children appreciate the opportunity to relax and listen to a good book.
- * Visit the library with your child. Ask the librarian to direct your child to appropriate, popular children's books.
- * Encourage you child to take part in programs that offer incentives for reading.
- * Establish a balance between television and reading time, realizing that quality television programs sometimes encourage further reading.

Even though the school year is about to end, encourage your child to spend some quiet time reading during the summer months.

Source - *Gaslines*

- the bottom line -

No person was ever honored for what he received.
Honor has been the reward for what he gave.

Calvin Coolidge



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JUNE, 1993

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



JUNE MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

Greg Nearchos	(4 yrs)	Michael Horst
Gary Bachman	(3 yrs)	Jason Shriner
Claire Mumma	(2 yrs)	Chinninia Clopper

LB/LS

SUMMER COMMUNICATION

Summer brings family vacations for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters and summer camp for the Little Brothers and Little Sisters. Don't let the summer disrupt your communication and contact.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters - send your Little an occasional postcard this summer when you are away on vacation. The children really enjoy hearing from you, knowing that you are thinking of them.

Little Brothers/Little Sisters - send your Big a postcard this summer while you are away at camp or on vacation with your family. The volunteers really like to hear what you are doing and that you are having fun.

A postcard only requires a 19 cent stamp and will let each of you know that your friendship is strong and continuous. It is important that you remember each other not only when at home but when away as well.

PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH WITH EACH OTHER!!!

CASEWORKER NOTICE

It is a **MUST** that Meg Mallon, the agency's Casework Supervisor, talk with you on a regular basis. Sometimes, when she calls you she finds you too busy or unable to talk.

If you tell her you will call her back, **PLEASE** do so! It can be very frustrating to wait for return calls that never happen.

PLEASE return her calls! When she is able to do her job, it helps everyone.

- potpourri -

Congratulations to BS Pamela Grove on receiving her Masters of Management from Hood College this past May. Good job Pam!

Hope you saw the article on the Home Improvement Auction along with the picture of Little Brother Wade Linton and Little Sister Brandy Smith in the Monday, June 7th Horizon Section of The Herald-Mail.



Wednesday, July 28, 1993, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Wednesday, June 30, 1993, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
BB/BS Family Picnic/Swim. Martin Snook Park. Mark this date on your calendar!

Friday - Sunday, August 13 - 15, 1993
Big/Little Brother/Sister Annual Camping Trip.
Mark your calendars now!!

*** SPREAD THE WORD ***

*If every Volunteer had just one friend who became a Big Brother or Big Sister, there would be enough volunteer Bigs for every Little Brother and Little Sister on the waiting list. Think about it. **BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS, YOU ARE OUR BEST RECRUITERS!!** Please, talk to your friends and help us find volunteers for the boys and girls who wait on our list.*

Some SUMMER Suggestions

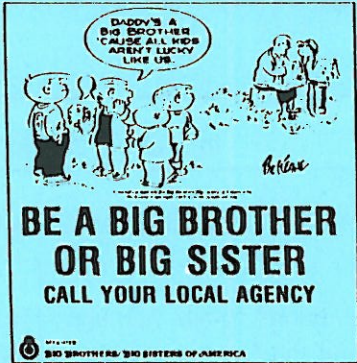
1. Hike the Appalachian Trail.
2. Bike the C&O Canal.
3. Swim at Greenbriar.
4. Fish in the Potomac.
5. Hear the cannons at the Antietam.
6. See the barracks at Fort Frederick.
7. Pick strawberries in Smithsburg.
8. Gather cantaloupes in Boonsboro.

You can have a good day everyday in Washington County!!!!



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BB/BS HOME IMPROVEMENT

AUCTION

This year's Big Brothers/Big Sisters Home Improvement Auction was a big success! We are proud to announce that \$5,000 was raised. We would like to thank all the businesses who donated items to the Auction.

We would also like to thank all the people who came out and supported the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program by buying items at the Auction.

Also, a special thanks to Robert Mullendore and his staff for donating his facilities and services to insure the success of the Auction.

To all our Bigs, Littles and Board Members who gave of their time to help with this fund raising event.

Most importantly, thanks go to Pam Hause and Jerry Rafter for Co-chairing the event.

CHICKEN

BAR-B-Q



The annual chicken bar-b-q benefitting the Big Brothers/Big Sisters camping trip will be held on Saturday, August 7th from 10:00 a.m. - ? It will be held at Ernst's Market, 2 miles east of Clear Spring on Dam #5 road. The cost is \$4.00 for 1/2 a chicken, cole slaw, baked beans, roll and butter.

* * * OFFICE CLOSING * * *

The agency office will be closed on Monday, July 5th for for Independence Day. We will reopen at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 6th.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

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

Larry Moore graduated from South Hagerstown High School. He was matched to Big Brother Dregg Delauney for 7 years.

David Tomlinson also graduated from South Hagerstown High School. He was matched to Big Brother Brian Snyder for 9 years.

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

Thank you!

- To the Appalachian Trail Conference and the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club for hosting the National Trails Day hike on Saturday, June 5th. Bigs and Littles from our agency enjoyed the hike and won some nice prizes.

- To the Sheraton Inn and Monumental Life Insurance Agency for their donation of tickets to the Hagerstown Suns games.

- To Teresa Cosmi for her generous contribution to the agency.

- To John Negley for all his help at the Home Improvement Auction.

-the bottom line-

Promises may get friends,
but it is performance that keeps them.



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JULY, 1993

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



JULY MATCH
ANNIVERSARIES



Pam Grove	(4 yrs)	Jessica Robertson
Rik Sills	(2 yrs)	Stephen Mowery
Bill Grove	(1 yr)	Andrew Mowery
Cherry Byrd	(1 yr)	Shaurice Booth
Naomi Doucelle	(1 yr)	Lynale Frazier



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CHICKEN
BAR-B-Q



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There will be live Bluegrass Music so bring your lawn chairs. Come on down and have a good time.

BB Charlie Rowe has a need for a few good volunteers to help set up and serve. Anyone interested in helping, call the agency office at 739-4711.

Introducing...

Michael Banyard/Timothy Bikle -

Michael has been in our program since 1992. On June 18th he took Timothy Bikle as an additional Little Brother. Michael is employed with Colonial Insurance Company of CA. Timothy will be entering the 4th grade at Bester Elementary School. He is 9 years old.

Scott Highberger/Christian Bikle -

Scott is a newcomer to our program. On June 28th he was matched with Christian Bikle. Scott is employed with the Washington County Department of Social Services. Christian is 11 years old and will be entering the 5th grade at Bester Elementary School.

Lois Walling/Christy Swope -

Lois has been in our program since 1991. She was matched with Christy Swope on June 29th. Lois is employed at the Veterans Administration Center in Marlinsburg, WV. Christy will be entering the 2nd grade at Bester Elementary School. She is 8 years old.

Thank you!

- To Board Members Trina Johnson and Claire Mumma, Little Sister Chinninia Clopper and Executive Director Bob McKee for helping with the agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway program on Saturday, June 26th.

- To Board Member Jack Hall for his donation of a Sunbeam Gas Grill to the agency.

- To Board Member Jerry Rafler for chairing the FOP Carnival Bingo Tent. Thanks also to all the volunteers who helped make this a successful fund-raising event.



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Make the time to make a friend.

Bentley Bros.

CIRCUS

Free tickets will be available for the Bentley Brothers Circus, to be held at the Hagerstown Fairgrounds and sponsored by the Hagerstown International Association of Firefighters Local 1605.

The circus will be held on Tuesday, August 10th and Wednesday, August 11th. There will be 4:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. shows on both days.

Both adult and children tickets are available on a first come, first serve basis. Please call the agency office at 739-4711 if you are interested in getting tickets.

- polpourri -

BS Jo Anne Schindel is planning a trip to the Washington Zoo. She would like to know if any other Bigs would like to take their Lillies along. If you are interested in going please give JoAnne a call at (H) 582-9709 or (W) 797-3739.

Congratulations to BS Zoe Hunt on her graduation from High School on June 7, 1993. Congratulations also for her acceptance of a scholarship to Oklahoma State University. Good job Zoe!

Congratulations to LB Jason Shriner on taking 3rd place in this year's Soap Box Derby held on June 19th. Good job, Jason!

We want to congratulate LS Michele Swope for making the Honor Roll all four marking periods at E. Russell Hicks Middle School. Way to go Michele!

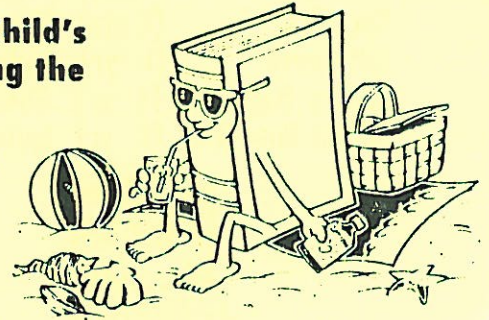
We are happy to report that LS Brandy Smith is up and about after a rollerskating accident that left her with a broken arm. Hope you're feeling better Brandy!

Congratulations to BS Susan Reed and her husband John on the birth of their son, Conor Joseph Reed, on July 2nd. Conor arrived at 8:15 p.m. and weighed in at 8 1/2 lbs.

We hope to hear that LB Andrew Mowery will be up and about real soon after his recent bicycle accident. Hope you feel better Andrew!

Support Your Child's Learning During the Summer

The summer months give parents many opportunities to further their child's learning. Here are some ways you can help your child learn and have fun this summer:



- Encourage your child to take an interest in cooking. Reading recipes, measuring ingredients and following directions can improve both reading and math skills.
- Broaden your child's horizon by having him or her accompany you to places where interesting activities are taking place --- like the supermarket and hardware stores.
- Make numbers a part of your child's everyday life. Discuss sporting scores and records, figure batting averages, or have him or her help check the accuracy of your supermarket tape.
- Encourage your child to make a scrapbook of menus, programs and post cards collected during family vacations or other outings.
- Keep a map handy for vacation planning, identifying places in the news, or locating relatives and friends in other cities or states.
- Set a good work habit example by letting your child watch you balance your checkbook, pay bills or write letters.

Source: Gaslines

Share your ♥
Be a Big Brother
Be a Big Sister

the bottom line -

It takes as much courage to have tried and failed as it does to have tried and succeeded.

Anne Morrow Lindbergh



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AUGUST, 1993

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



AUGUST MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Trina Johnson	(4 yrs)	Tina Horst
Neil Caricofe	(1 yr)	Eric Miller
Craig Newcomer	(1 yr)	Joseph Keltner
Tim Thomas	(1 yr)	Kristopher Fitzwater

Introducing...

Sabrina Henderson/Stevie Marie Hardy-

Sabrina is new to our program. On July 6th she was matched with Stevie Marie Hardy. Sabrina is a Practice Supervisor for Antietam Health Services/Smithsburg Family Practice. Stevie is 8 years old and will be entering 2nd grade at Bester Elementary School.

Carol Veil/Michèle Swope-

Carol is also a newcomer to our program. She was matched with Michèle Swope on July 7th. Carol is a Paralegal for Robert C. Veil, Jr., P.A. Michèle will be entering 7th grade at E. Russell Hicks Middle School in the fall. She is 12 years old.

Charlie Cushwa/Jacob Horst-

Charlie has been a Big Brother since 1986. On July 9th he took Jacob Horst as an additional Little Brother. Charlie is employed with Food Lion. Jacob is 10 years old and will be in the 5th grade at Lincolnshire Elementary School.

Charles Rowe/Travis Clopper-

Charlie has been in our program for quite a few years. He took Travis Clopper as his new Little Brother on July 14th. Charlie works at Ernst Market. Travis will be entering the 3rd grade at Salem Avenue Elementary School and is 8 years old.



WHAT A WEEKEND

Fort Frederick was the place to be the weekend of August 13 - 15 for more than 60 Bigs, Littles and friends who came out for the annual camping trip. Beautiful weather, plenty of home cook'n, activities and lots of prizes made for a terrific weekend, but most importantly was the quality time spent with one another, enhancing present friendships and establishing new ones.

There was never a dull moment with the number of activities going on. Friday night nobody went to bed empty handed thanks to Bill Albowicz who gave out many prizes and then came back Saturday evening with more. A special thanks goes to Mr. Albowicz for his generosity.

Saturday morning brought the Potomac Bass Anglers to camp to host the annual fishing rodeo. All the kids were winners with the Bass Anglers furnishing each child with a prize.

Lunch time saw the horseshoe tournament begin. First place trophy went to LB Frankie Shupp and Tim Shirley. LB Jason Barnhart and CW Meg Mallon took second while LB Levi Reinken and BB Jeff Jenkins received watches for third.

As the sun started to set, special guests arrived for supper. We were pleased to have Senator Don Munson and his wife, Sue, join us for our chicken bar-b-q dinner.

When night fell on camp, a scavenger hunt took all the teams to various parts of the park. The winning team consisted of LS's Tina Horst and Nikki Avallone, Heidi Stamper, Heather Stamper and CW Meg Mallon. Saturday night ended with a salute to the Boy Scouts' flag!!!!

Special awards were presented on Sunday. Fifty dollar savings bonds were received by LB Jeffrey Swope and LS Brandy Smith for being the best behaved Littles during the weekend. Runners up were LB Stephen Mowery and LS Tasha Mankins. LB Wade Linton won a bicycle donated to the agency by BB Charlie Cushwa.

The camping trip was a big success and thanks goes to everyone who participated, but most of all to BB Charlie Rowe and his family for all their hard work. See ya next year!



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Tips To Motivate Your Children To Do Well In School



- Take the time to read with your children daily.
- Provide enrichment material, including children's books and magazines, and educational toys.
- Provide quiet, private work spaces where children can study undisturbed.
- Keep your children's work spaces well-stocked with all the supplies they need to complete their assignments.
- Take time to sit down with your children and help them schedule homework into their daily routine.
- Reward good grades with recognition and praise, and avoid the temptation to use money as a bribe for good performance.
- Take advantage of educational events in your community as often as possible.
- Value your children's uniqueness, and avoid comparing them to others.
- Limit the amount of television children watch to one hour on school days and two hours on weekend days.
- Encourage creative thinking by asking your youngsters for help solving problems.
- Encourage your children to practice school skills in real life situations.

Thank you!

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

- To Hagerstown International Association of Firefighters Local 1605, Robert Everhart, Curtis Fuller and Senator Don Munson for their donation of tickets for the Bentley Brothers Circus.

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

- Gina Detwiler and The Washington County Restaurant & Beverage Association for their donation of Hagerstown Suns Tickets.



August 30th - Summer Vacation Ends -
Back to School!!!

Wednesday, September 22, 1993, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

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Congratulations to BS Lisa Koontz and her husband, Andy, on the birth of their son, Matthew Atlee Koontz, on May 7th. Matthew arrived at 11:23 p.m.

Congratulations to BB Craig Newcomer on his new job position with Linn Financial Group. Good Luck Craig!

- the bottom line -

Common sense and good nature will do a lot to
make the pilgrimage of life not too difficult.

W. Somerset Maugham



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SEPTEMBER, 1993

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



SEPTEMBER MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Jill Poffenberger (7 yrs) Annie Shumaker
Karla Mease (2 yrs) Marsha West

Calendar

Friday, October 22, 1993. 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Big Brothers/Big Sisters Halloween Party
More details in next month's newsletter!!!

Wednesday, October 27, 1993, 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting
Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Thank you!

- To Big Brother Charlie Rowe and his family for hosting the annual camping trip.
- To John Negley for his able assistance in helping to make the annual camping trip successful.
- To The Polomac Bass Anglers for hosting the fishing rodeo for all the Littles during the annual camping trip.
- To the many individuals, organizations and businesses that generously contributed to the success of the camping trip. Each will be individually thanked.
- To the Antietam Exchange Club for their generous contribution to our program.

BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED!!!

If you, or anyone you know, are interested in being an **ACTIVE** member of our Board of Directors please give us a call at 739-4711. The Nominating Committee is in the process of drafting the slate of officers and directors for 1994.



WHAT IN THE WORLD IS DIALAMERICA?



"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 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/Big Sisters in Washington County and 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/BS gets 12 1/2% of the order price. We do get it and are thankful.

Introducing...

Shannon Shank/Jessica Durbin -

Shannon is new to our program. She was matched with Little Sister Jessica on August 12th. Shannon is employed at Frederick Street Exxon and Food Lion. Jessica is 8 years old and in the 3rd grade at Emma K. Doub Elementary School.

Joan Bowers/Samantha Hardy -

Joan has been in the program since 1989. On August 24th, she took Samantha Hardy as her new Little Sister. Joan owns and operates the Bridal Palace. Samantha is in the 2nd grade at Bester Elementary School. She is 8 years old.



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Lend Your Helping Hand... the United Way.

United Way begins fund-raising



People Helping People

The United Way of Washington County funds 25 agencies in our community. Last year, over 100,000 people received help from one or more of these agencies. The services provided are not only desirable, but essential.

The 1993 United Way Campaign is now underway. This year's goal is \$1,775,000. The money raised will be used to fund the 25 agencies which include Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

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

- potpourri -

We hope to hear that Big Brother Bill Grove is feeling better these days.

Free tickets are available to see "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" at the Maryland Theatre on Saturday, October 9th, at 10:00 a.m. Call the agency office at 739-4711 by Thursday, September 30th to reserve your tickets.

RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN PLANNED

The Public Relations & Recruitment Committee will be having a recruitment campaign the week of October 3rd - 9th.

Activities planned for the week include: bulletin inserts in local churches on Sunday, October 3rd; new television commercials on Antietam Cable TV and WHAG-TV; display ads in the local papers; and a "Bring a Friend Pizza Party" on Friday, October 9th.

The "Bring a Friend Pizza Party" will only be held if there is enough interest among our volunteer Bigs. We are asking our current Bigs to bring a friend who may be interested in being a Big Brother or Big Sister to learn more about the program. Please call the office by Thursday, September 30th at 739-4711 if you plan to participate.

There continues to be a need for new volunteer Big Brothers. Over the years, our best recruiters have always been matched Big Brothers and Big Sisters. Think of a friend that you can invite and call us today.

PARENTING SKILLS PROGRAM

The Substance Abuse Prevention Program of the Washington County Health Department is sponsoring a parenting skills program called "How To Talk So Kids Will Listen".

The classes will run for six Thursday evenings from 7:30 - 9:00. The dates are October 14th, 21st, 28th and November 4th, 11th, 18th.

Classes will be held at the Washington County Health Department and there is no fee. Registration in advance is required. Anyone interested MUST call the Washington County Health Department before October 8th.

For more information call 791-3054.

- the bottom line -

*Plenty of people miss their share of happiness,
not because they never found it,
but because they didn't stop to enjoy it.*

William Feather



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OCTOBER, 1993

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



OCTOBER MATCH
ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Pat Poffenberger (8 yrs)	Carol Burker
Ed Distad (6 yrs)	Wayne Gossert
Tom Van Hecke (6 yrs)	Dwayne Frazier
Pam House (5 yrs)	Laura West
Milton Stamper (3 yrs)	Nathan Mowery



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Big Brothers/Big Sisters Halloween Party
Details in the enclosed flyer!!!

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Agency Office - 16 W. Franklin Street.

Thursday, November 18, 1993. 6:30 p.m.
BB/BS Board of Directors Annual Dinner
Meeting. Mark this date on your calendar!

Wednesday December 8, 1993. 6:30 p.m.
Annual Christmas Dinner. Maugansville
Firehall. Mark this date on your calendar!

REPORT CARD TIME

The first marking period for the 1993-1994 school year ends on Thursday, November 4th. Report Cards will be sent home the week of November 8th - 12th.

If your Little doesn't show you his/her report card, ask to see it so you'll know how your Little is doing in school. As a Big Brother or a Big Sister, you need to provide help, praise and encouragement.

With your help, your Little can do well in school.

Thank you!

- To Terry Thompson for his donation of kites, water bottles, swimming accessories and hula-hoops.

- To Stephen Mallon and Franklin Leydig for the donation of Baltimore Orioles tickets recently made to the program.

- To Ron Bowers, Dominick Perini and The Washington County Restaurant & Beverage Charitable Foundation for making the Crab Feast contribution possible. That contribution has been earmarked for the High School Bigs Program.

- To First Federal Savings Bank of Western Maryland for tickets to the Maryland Theatre showing of "Willie Wonka and The Chocolate Factory."

- *potpourri* -

Former Big Brother, John Negley has a red, white and blue girls 10 speed bicycle for sale. The cost is \$35.00. If anyone is interested give John a call at 797-1869.

Fort Frederick State Park will be having a Ghost Walk on October 29, 1993. The Walk starts at 7:00 p.m. For more information call 842-2155.

CHANGES? MOVING? NEW ADDRESS?

PLEASE be sure to call the office if you move, change your phone number or have a new address. We need to know where you are and how to call you. We are required to do case reviews on all matches and it is much easier to do when we have the correct phone numbers and addresses. So PLEASE notify us if there are any changes. THANKS!!



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Lend Your Helping Hand... the United Way.

Introducing...

Sue Baum/Jennifer Seal -

Sue is new to our program. She was matched with Little Sister Jennifer on September 17th. Sue is employed at the Washington County Health Department as a prevention Specialist. Jennifer is 10 years old and in the 5th grade at Bester Elementary School.

Kathy Vogt/Julie Seal -

Kathy is also new to our program. On September 20th she was matched with Julie Seal. Kathy is the Executive Director for The United Way. Julie is in the 4th grade at Bester Elementary School. She is 8 years old.

Virginia Draper/Ashley Magee -

Virginia is another newcomer to our program. She was matched with Ashley Magee on September 23rd. Virginia is a Behavior Disorder Teacher for the Washington County Board of Education. Ashley is in the 4th grade at Lincolnshire Elementary School and is 9 years old.

* SWIM OPPORTUNITY *

Now that the weather is turning cold and it will be getting dark earlier, we want to remind all Big and Little Brother/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:

SMALL POOL

Monday	6:00-7:00pm
Thursday	6:00-7:30pm
Friday	6:00-7:00pm
Sunday	12:00noon-3:00pm

LARGE POOL

Monday	9:00-10:00pm (2 lanes)
Tuesday	9:00-10:00pm (2 lanes)
Wednesday	9:00-10:00pm (3 lanes)
Friday	8:45-10:00pm (3 lanes)
Saturday	3:30-5:30pm (3 lanes)
Sunday	2:00-4:00pm (all lanes)

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

* * * SPREAD THE WORD * * *

If every Volunteer had just one friend who became a Big Brother or Big Sister, there would be enough volunteer Bigs for every Little Brother and Little Sister on the waiting list. Think about it. **BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS, YOU ARE OUR BEST RECRUITERS!!** Please, talk to your friends and help us find volunteers for the boys and girls who wait on our list.

- The bottom line -

Never bend your head.
Always hold it high.
Look the world straight in the face.

Helen Keller



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**BIG BROTHERS/
BIG SISTERS**

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR



NOVEMBER/DECEMBER
MATCH ANNIVERSARIES



BB/BS

LB/LS

Fred Barrett	(10 yrs)	Tony Nave
George Rowe	(7 yrs)	Frankie Shupp
Ned Reed	(4 yrs)	Todd Chaco
Jane Yoder	(4 yrs)	Sasha Stevenson
Gordon Hurlburt	(3 yrs)	Joey Stull
Kristie Palmer	(1 yr)	Brandy Smith
Christie Pritchard	(1 yr)	Jasmine Fitzwater
Susan Reed	(1 yr)	Tasha Mankins

Calendar

Wednesday, January 26, 1994. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors meeting.
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street

Wednesday, February 16, 1994. 6:30 p.m.
BB/BS Skate Party at Starland Roller Rink
Mark this date on your 1994 calendar.

Introducing...

Bill Hornbarger/Mark Smith-

Bill is a newcomer to our program. On October 13th he was matched with Little Brother, Mark Smith. Bill is a full-time student at Hagerstown Junior College. Mark is 12 years old and in the 7th grade at E. Russell Hicks.

*** * * Office Closing * * ***

The agency office will be closed for the Christmas Holidays from 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 22nd until 9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 3rd.

The answering machine will be on during that time and all calls are monitored daily. In case of an emergency, contact Bob McKee at 739-2896. Do not hesitate to give him a call if you have concerns or need assistance.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED

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

Those elected for three-year terms were Fred Barrett, Cyndi Beall, Cherry Byrd, Ed Distad, Jack Hall, Trina Johnson, Cortland Mead, Jo Ann Plum, Lionel Swope and Pamela Walsh.

Cynthia Perini was elected to fill a two-year vacancy.

We do thank each of these 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.

- potpourri -

Congratulations to BB Cyndi Beall on her new position as President of the Washington County Literacy Council. Good luck Cyndi!

We hope everyone got to see BB Kristie Palmer's letter to the editor in the Herald Mail on November 15th. Thanks Kristie!

We would like to congratulate LB Jason Barnhart on being elected President of The Level I Construction Team for VSCA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America). Way to go Jason!

We would like to congratulate the following Littles for their hard work in making the honor roll last marking period: Jasmine Fitzwater, Lynale Frazier, Joseph Kellner, Jennifer Deal and Julie Deal.

We would like to congratulate LB Timothy Bikle on his election to the Student Council at Bester Elementary School. Again, congratulations Timothy!

Former Big Brother, John Negley, has a red, white and blue girls 10 speed bike for sale. The cost is \$35.00. If anyone is interested, give John a call at 797-1860.

Congratulations to BB Doug Firey on being nominated by Ms. Beverly Davis, mother of LB Jack Winters, as a Shining Star in the Daily Mail. Great job Doug!



HOLIDAY GREETINGS

WE SHARE IN THE JOY
OF VOLUNTEERING



BOARD MEMBER OF THE YEAR

The Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Washington County presented Cynthia Perini with the Board Member of the Year Award at the Annual Dinner Meeting.

Cynthia's service to Big Brothers/Big Sisters started as a volunteer Big Sister in 1984. In 1989, she was elected to the Board of Directors of the Big Brothers of Washington County and served in several officer positions.

She played instrumental roles in the merger of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters programs into one agency. Cynthia served on the Merger Presentation and Merger Study Committees in 1990 and the Merger Implementation Committee in 1991.

Cynthia has served as the agency's President since the merger on July 1, 1991. She will continue to serve as a Board Director in 1994 and 1995.

Thank you!

- To Former Big Brother Joe Dill for having the new ceiling tiles donated for the agency office. Also, a special thanks to Joe for his time and energy in installing all the ceiling tiles.
- To Big Sister Trina Johnson for doing the Christmas message at the Annual Christmas Dinner.
- To John Negley for playing Santa at the Annual Christmas Dinner.
- To First National Bank of Maryland for their donation of tickets to the Maryland Symphony Orchestra Holiday Concert.
- To Ms. Louis C. Barrie, Mr. & Mrs. John C. Burrey, Pauline Dando, Vernon Stouffer and Two Top Ruritan Club for their generous donations made recently to the program.

BIG BROTHER/BIG SISTER AWARDS PRESENTED

At the November 18th Annual Dinner Meeting, Big Brother Fred Barrett and Big Sister Pamela Hause were presented with the Big Brother and Big Sister of the Year Awards by their Littles Jason Barnhart and Laura West.

These individuals represent volunteers giving more than just precious time, but a listening ear, fulfilled days and someone that can be depended on through the good and the bad.

We would like to congratulate Fred and Pam on the time and talent they have dedicated in working with Jason, Tony and Laura.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The 1994 slate of officers for the Board of Directors was elected at the November Annual Dinner Meeting.

Serving the agency in 1994 will be Pamela Hause, President; Jerry Rafter, 1st Vice President; Lynnann Adams, 2nd Vice President; and Holly Proctor, Secretary.

We feel certain that these individuals will provide the agency with strong leadership. They will need everyone's help if we are to see the program serve even more children in 1994.

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

the bottom line -

They who give have all things;
they who withhold have nothing.

Hindu Proverb





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JANUARY/FEBRUARY, 1994

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR

JANUARY/FEBRUARY MATCH ANNIVERSARIES

BB/BS

LB/LS

Fred Barrett (8 yrs)	Jason Barnhart
Laura Gessaman (5 yrs)	Shelly Robertson
Debbie Bastian (5 yrs)	Dawnita Smith
Pamela Walsh (5 yrs)	Heather Nave
Michael Banyard (2 yrs)	Bernard Trost
Jo Anne Schindel (2 yrs)	Mary Obitts
Brian Ferrari (1 yr)	Jeffrey Swope



Wednesday, February 16, 1994. 6:30 p.m.
BB/BS Skate Party at Starland Roller Rink
Mark this date on your 1994 calendar.

Wednesday, February 23, 1994. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street

Sunday, March 20, 1994. 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
BB/BS BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE - Turner's Dual
Lanes. Form Teams Now!!!!

Saturday, June 11, 1994. 9:00 A.M.
BB/BS Home Improvement Auction
Mark your calendar now!!!

Introducing...

Gregg DeLauney/Wade Linton -

Gregg has been in the program since 1986. On December 9th he was matched with LB Wade Linton. Gregg is General Manager at BP Lesky Distributors. Wade is 8 years old and in the 2nd grade at Bester Elementary School.

TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR VOLUNTEERS

You can deduct reasonable unreimbursed out-of-pocket expenses you pay to allow underprivileged youths to attend athletic events, movies or dinners. The youths must be selected by a charitable organization whose goal is to reduce juvenile delinquency. Your own similar expenses in accompanying the youths are not deductible.

Volunteers may also 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."

REPORT CARD TIME

The second marking period for the 1993-1994 school year has ended and report cards have been sent home with students.

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

With your help, your Little can do well in school.

Thank you!

- To Vince Fertitta and Concordia Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod for making Christmas special for the Clopper family.

- To TriState Electrical Supply Company for donating two mountain bikes to Little Brothers Jason & Larry Shriner and Eric Miller.

- To Country Lanes and Jim & Angie Burns for making Christmas a little extra special this year for a few of our Littles and their families.

- To Susan Bledsoe and Delegate Pete Callas for their generous donations recently made to our program.



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Ready?
On your Mark!
Get Set —
for the new, exciting
Bowl for Kids' Sake!



Preparations for the tenth annual Bowl For Kids' Sake 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/Big Sisters program in Washington County.

The event will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday March 20, 1994 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 March 20th for some real fun with Bowl For Kids' Sake.

- Potpourri -

We hope LB Christian Bikle is up and wrestling after breaking his finger. Hope your feeling better Bud!

Our sincere sympathy to Board Member Jerry Rafter on the recent passing of his son, Jason.

1994 BFKS PRIZES *EVERYONE CAN WIN!!!*

Everyone participating in the 1994 Bowl For Kids' Sake is eligible to win some nice prizes. The following is the prize structure for this year's event:

Raise at least \$50.00 and win a BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE t-shirt.

Also, earn a gift certificate from either JCPenney or Kmart when you raise the following —

- *A \$10.00 Gift Certificate when you raise \$101 to \$200 in pledges.
- *A \$20.00 Gift Certificate when you raise \$201 to \$300 in pledges.
- *A \$30.00 Gift Certificate when you raise \$301 to \$400 in pledges.
- *A \$40.00 Gift Certificate when you raise \$401 to \$500 in pledges.
- *A \$60.00 Gift Certificate when you raise over \$500 in pledges.
- *A \$100.00 Gift Certificate when you raise over \$1000 in pledges.

The GRAND PRIZE is a 6 night, 7 day stay at the Club Land Or' Resort on Paradise Island, in The Bahamas. Roundtrip air and lodging provided for 2. (Some restrictions apply.)

NEW PRIZES THIS YEAR:

TEAM INCENTIVE: The team that turns in the most dollars by May 7th will receive \$30.00 gift certificates per team member.

YOUTH INCENTIVE: All youth, age 18 and under, raising \$100 or more will be eligible for a drawing for an AM/FM Dual Cassette Stereo recorder with detachable speakers.

In addition, there will be dozens of door prizes given away throughout the day.

Remember, to win a prize you have to bowl!!!

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS

OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND, INC.

MARCH, 1994

NEWSLETTER

RIIONDA BITNER, EDITOR

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

BB/BS

Gordon Hurlburt (2 yrs)
Lisa Koontz (2 yrs)

LB/LS

Larry Shriner
Roberta Kesselring



REPORT CARD TIME

The third marking period for the 1993 -1994 school year will end on Tuesday, March 29th.

Report cards are sent home to students the following week.

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

With your help, your Little can do well in school.

CALENDAR

Saturday, April 16th, 12:45 P.M.
Big Brothers/Big Sisters Car Rally/Pizza Party
Details on enclosed flyer!

Wednesday, April 27th, 7:00 P.M.
BB/BS Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street

Saturday, June 11th, 9:00 A.M.
8th Annual Home Improvement Auction
Robert Mullendore Farm (on Route 68)

Wednesday, June 22nd, 7:00 P.M.
BB/BS Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street

Wednesday, June 29th, 6:30 - 10:00 P.M.
BB/BS Family Picnic/Swim. Martin Snook
Park. Mark this date on your calendar!

INTRODUCING

Joseph Godlove/Timothy Rideout -

Joe was a former Big Brother. On February 21st he was matched with LB Timothy Rideout. Joe is employed with Consumer Driven Services and attends Shepherd College. Timothy is 8 years old and in the 3rd grade at Bester Elementary School.

HELP!HELP!HELP!HELP!

We need some help from the Big and Little matches. As you can see we are in the process of changing the format of the agency newsletter. Along with the new format we would like to name the newsletter. Please call the agency with suggestions.

We also need some help deciding what we are going to do for our October activity. If you have any suggestions, please call the agency office at 739-4711.

IS YOUR CHILD GETTING ENOUGH EXERCISE?

Children, like many adults, tend to be less active today. Yet we all know that regular exercise is essential to good health. Here are some things you can do to help a child exercise more:

- * Provide opportunities at home, since school activities may not be enough.
- * Be a role model. Make physical activity a daily part of family life.
- * Try to reduce your child's inactive time. Sports and family activities allow opportunities for exercise.
- * Avoid undue pressure. Help your child find an activity that they feel comfortable with.
- * Check with your child's physical education teacher and build on the programs offered.

Source: Gaslines



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THANK YOU'S

- To Barb Donaldson & Starland Roller Rink for hosting the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Skate Party on February 16th.
- To all the Bigs and Littles that supported this year's Bowl For Kids' Sake in many different ways.
- To the Ali Ghan Shrine Temple for their donation of Shrine Circus tickets.
- To the EverReady Class of the First Christian Church and the Hagerstown Elks Lodge #378 for their generous contributions to the agency.
- To Claude Crawford, Hagerstown Elks Lodge #378 and Hagerstown Trust Company for the recent donations made to the agency in memory of Robert G. Stark.

- POTPOURRI -

- Congratulations to Littles Joseph Keltner and Samantha Hardy for making the Honor Roll in the 2nd marking period.
- Congratulations to Board Member, Marcie Risser on her induction into the Washington County Sports Hall of Fame. Marcie was recognized for her Equestrian Triumphs.

CHANGES? MOVING? NEW ADDRESS?

Please be sure to call the office if you move or change your phone number. We need to know where you are and how to contact you. We are required to do case reviews and it is much easier when we can reach you. So PLEASE call us with any changes as soon as possible.

BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE

It's all over! March 20th was a huge success. Over \$37,000 was raised and we are now in the process of collecting the money and thanking everyone who participated in the project.

Special thanks go to Holly Proctor and Gary Weaver for Co-Chairing the event. Thanks also go to Lynann Adams, Cyndi Beall and Jo Ann Plum for serving on the committee.

If you have any input on this year's event or suggestions, please direct them to the agency 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.

FRIEND TO FRIEND

*Strangers brought together, one young, one of years.
Two hearts, two minds, sharing wisdom, sharing youth.*

*Forever growing together, one teaching the other
One through the eyes of a child as the other matures through wisdom.*

If ever you have a question, If ever you have a problem and I lack the knowledge, together we'll seek a solution

for I'll always be by your side. Remember most of all, I'm your friend for life, One to One, heart to heart.

Rephrased from the Correspondent

-The Bottom Line-
Give none of yourself to others and eventually very little will be worth having.

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS

OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND, INC.

APRIL/MAY, 1994

NEWSLETTER

RIIONDA BITNER, EDITOR

APRIL/MAY ANNIVERSARIES

BB/BS

Mike & Mary Brown (7 yrs) Arlene Greer
Gary Naugle (5 yrs) Dard Stephens
Teresa Barthlow (3 yrs) Ginger Pace

LB/LS



NEW MATCHES

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

Naomi Doucette/Star Hose -

Naomi has been in our program since 1992. On March 4th, she took Star Hose as an additional Little Sister. Naomi is employed with Citicorp Credit Services as a printer operator. Star is 12 years old and in the 6th grade at E. Russell Hicks Middle School.

Lionel Swope/Jimmy Gandy -

Lionel has been in our program since 1971. He was matched with Jimmy Gandy on April 5th. Lionel is employed with PATS, Inc. in Columbia. Jimmy is in the 6th grade at Smithsburg Middle School. He is 12 years old.

Dave Elliott/Brandon Hoppe -

Dave is a newcomer to our program. On April 14th, he was matched with Brandon Hoppe. Dave is employed as Special Projects Manager with the Herald-Mail newspaper. Brandon is 10 years old and in the 4th grade at Emma K. Doub Elementary School.

Darese Castang/Kacee Smith -

Darese is also a newcomer to our program. She was matched with Kacee Smith on April 25, 1994. Darese is employed as a bookkeeper for Craig Paving, Inc. Kacee is in the 4th grade at Fountaindale Elementary School. She is 10 years old.

CALENDAR

*Wednesday, May 25, 1994. 7:00 P.M.
BB/BS Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street*

*Saturday, June 4, 1994. 2nd Annual
Appalachian Trail Hike. Joint hike with
3 other BB/BS agencies. Details on enclosed
flyer!! Join us and have some fun!!*

*Saturday, June 11, 1994. 9:00 A.M.
8th Annual Home Improvement Auction
School House Square
Mark this date on your calendar!!*

*Wednesday, June 22, 1994. 7:00 P.M.
BB/BS Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street*

*Wednesday, June 29, 1994. 6:30 - 10:00 P.M.
BB/BS Family Picnic/Swim. Martin Snook Park.
Mark this date on your calendar!!*

HAVE A SWEET TOOTH?

BB/BS will begin taking orders for Simply Delicious New York Style Cheesecakes on June 29th. Eight flavored 20 oz. and three flavored 32 oz. cheesecakes will be sold.

All Board, Bigs, parents of Littles and agency supporters will be asked to participate.

The goal for this fund-raiser is \$4,000.00!
Your help is needed!!!

OFFICE CLOSING

*The agency office will be closed on
Monday, May 30th for Memorial Day.
We will reopen on Tuesday May 31st at
9:00 a.m.*



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BB/BS HOME IMPROVEMENT AUCTION

The 8th Annual Big Brothers/Big Sisters home Improvement Auction is scheduled for Saturday, June 11, 1994. Last year's Auction was a big success and this year's promises to be the best ever.

Again this year, Robert Mullendore is donating his time as Auctioneer for the event. The event will be held at the School House Square in the west end of Hagerstown.

A preview of materials will begin at 8:00 a.m. with the actual Auction beginning at 9:00 a.m.

If anyone has anything they would like to donate to the Auction, or if you are willing to bake some goodies to be sold, please call Rhonda at the agency office at 739-4711.

THANKS!!!

- To Board Member Ray Holton and Elaine Rose for chairing the successful Car Rally/Pizza Party group activity for April.

- To Board members Lynann Adams, Pam Hause, Ray Holton and Pam Walsh, Executive Director Bob McKee, and Littles Nikki Nave and Annie Shumaker for helping to clean up the agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway Program.

- To Emmett Kelly Tent No. 41 CFA for their donation of tickets to the Alain Zerbini Circus.

- To JCPenney Co. for their donation of tickets to the Ali Ghan Shrine Circus.

- To Sandy Huntsberger for her donation of Hagerstown Suns tickets.

- To the Western Maryland Troopers Association and the Maryland Classified Employees Association for the generous donations made to the program.

- To Community Rescue Service for donating supplies for the agency's first aid kit.

-POTPOURRI-

- Congratulations goes out to LB Frank Shupp who on January 9th became a probationary member of Firestation Engine #1 on S. Potomac Street. Good job Frank!!

- Another congratulations to LB Frank Shupp on receiving the most improved award in a foreign Language. Keep studying that German, Frank!

- Congratulations to LB Christian Bikle on raising the most money at Bester Elementary in the Jump Rope For Heart. Way to go Bud!

- BB/Board Member Fred Barrett was recently involved in an industrial accident and we are happy to report that he is feeling much better.

- Congratulations to LS Jennifer Seal and LS Julie Seal for receiving 2nd place standings in their essay competitions at Bester Elementary. Great job Jennifer and Julie!

- A big congratulation goes to LS's Julie Seal and Samantha Hardy on making the honor roll last marking period. Keep up the good work Julie and Sam!

- Congratulations go to Car Rally winners; BB Gary Bachman & LB Jason Shriner, 1st Place; ED Bob McKee & LB Nathan Henderson & Chris Purnell, 2nd place. Super job!!

WE HAVE CIRCUS TICKETS!!

We have tickets available to the Kelly Miller Circus to be held on June 3, 1994 at the Hagerstown Speedway. Anyone interested in tickets please call the agency office at 739-4711.

A limited number of tickets are available and will be given away on a first come first serve basis.

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS

OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND, INC.

JUNE, 1994

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES



NEW MATCHES

BB/BS

Greg Nearchos (5 yrs) Mike Horst
Gary Bachman (4 yrs) Jason Shriner
Claire Mumma (3 yrs) Chinninia Clopper
Scott Highbarger (1 yr) Christian Bikle
Lois Walling (1 yr) Christy Swope

LB/LS

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

Carol Behan/Samantha Gandy -

Carol is new to our program. She was matched with Samantha Gandy on May 23rd. Carol is a homemaker. Samantha is 11 years old and will be entering the 6th grade at Smithsburg Middle School.

Tim Cave/Aaron Robinson -

Tim is also a newcomer to our program. On May 31st, he was matched with Aaron Robinson. Tim is president of Perkins and Cave Electric. Aaron is 9 years old and will be entering the 4th grade at Hickory Elementary School.

Ken Hay/Ronnie Ayers -

Ken is a former Big Brother. He was matched with Ronnie Ayers on May 31st. Ken is employed at Emmitsburg Paint and Glass. Ronnie is 11 years old and will be entering the 7th grade at E. Russell Hicks Middle School.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, June 22, 1994. 7:00 P.M.
BB/BS Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street

Wednesday, June 29, 1994. 6:30 - 10:00 P.M.
BB/BS Family Picnic/Swim - Martin Snook Park
Details on enclosed flyer!!

Wednesday, July 20, 1994. 7:00 P.M.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street

Friday - Sunday, August 12th - 14th, 1994
Big/Little Brother/Sister Annual Camping Trip
Mark your calendars now!!!

CHICKEN BAR-B-Q

The annual Chicken Bar-B-Q benefiting the Big Brothers/Big Sisters camping trip will be held on Saturday, August 6th from 10:00 a.m. - ? It will be held at Ernst Market, 2 miles east of Clear Spring on Dam #5 Road. The cost is \$4.00 for Half a Chicken, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Roll & Butter.

Mark this date on your calendar and plan on coming and joining us for some good old fashioned fun and food!!!!

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Primerica Financial Services has opportunities for full and part-time employment in Management and Sales. This could prove to be a good opportunity for a Big looking for part-time employment or a change in careers.

Send resume to:

Primerica Financial Services
4920 Niagara Road, Ste. 300
College Park, MD 20140
Attn: Joycelyne J. Askins

SWEET TOOTH REMINDER

Don't forget, from June 29th until July 13th, the agency will be selling Simply Delicious New York Style Cheescakes.

See a Board Member, Big or parent of a Little to order yours.



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BB/BS HOME IMPROVEMENT AUCTION

This year's BB/BS Home Improvement Auction was a big success! We are proud to announce that over \$6,000 was raised. We would like to thank all the businesses who donated items to the auction.

We would also like to thank all the people who came out and supported the BB/BS program by buying items at the auction.

Also, a special THANKS to Robert Mullendore and his staff for donating their services to insure the success of the auction.

Another special thanks goes to Home Federal Savings Bank for donating the space at the Westshire Professional Center to hold the auction.

To all the Bigs, Littles and Board members who gave of their time to help with this fund raising event, we really appreciate it.

Most importantly, thanks goes to Holly Proctor for chairing the event!!!

SPREAD THE WORD

If every volunteer had just one friend who became a Big Brother or Big Sister, there would be enough volunteer Bigs for every Little Brother and Little Sister on the Waiting List. Think about it! **BIG BROTHERS/ BIG SISTERS, YOU ARE OUR BEST RECRUITERS!!** Please, talk to your friends and help us find volunteers for the boys and girls on our waiting list.

THANK YOU!!!!

- To the Appalachian Trail Conference and the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club for hosting the National Trails Day hike on Saturday, June 4th. Bigs and Littles from our agency enjoyed the hike.
- To the Kiwanianne Club of Hagerstown for the generous donation recently made to our program.
- To the Western Maryland Troopers Association for their donation of Kelly Miller Circus Tickets.
- To Boonsboro Rescue Company 69 and Reithoffer for hosting an evening at the Boonsboro Carnival for waiting list Littles.

- POTPOURRI -

- Oops! We forgot to congratulate LS Julie Seal on making the Honor Roll last marking period. Good job Julie!
- We are happy to report that BS Pam Walsh is recuperating nicely after her recent knee surgery. Glad you're feeling better Pam!
- Bester Elementary School held their awards ceremony on Tuesday, June 7, 1994. Among the students to receive awards were a few of our LB's and LS's: Perfect Attendance - Christian Bikle; 4th Grade Student Council Representative - Timothy Bikle; Safety Patrol, Battle of the Books, Presidential Academic Fitness Award - Jennifer Seal; Battle of the Books - Julie Seal. Congratulations to all of our Littles for their hard work in school.

- the bottom line -

The service we render to others is really the rent we pay for our room on this earth.

Sir Wilfred Grenfell

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS

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JULY/AUGUST, 1994

NEWSLETTER

RHONDA BITNER, EDITOR

JULY/AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES



NEW MATCHES

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

BB/BS

LB/LS

Pam Grove	(5 yrs)	Jessica Robertson
Trina Johnson	(5 yrs)	Tina Horst
Rik Sills	(3 yrs)	Stephen Mowery
Neil Caricofe	(2 yrs)	Eric Miller
Naomi Doucette	(2 yrs)	Lynale Frazier
Bill Grove	(2 yrs)	Andrew Mowery
Craig Newcomer	(2 yrs)	Joseph Keltner
Joan Bowers	(1 yr)	Samantha Hardy
Charlie Cushwa	(1 yr)	Jacob Horst
Sabrina Henderson	(1 yr)	Stevie Hardy
Charlie Rowe	(1 yr)	Travis Clopper
Shannon Shank	(1 yr)	Jessica Durbin
Carol Veil	(1 yr)	Michele Swope

Kathie Eccard/Jamie Smith:

Kathie is new to the program. On June 2nd, she was matched with LS Jamie Smith. Kathie is employed as State Secretary for Woodmen of the World Insurance Co. Jamie is 8 years old and will be entering the 4th grade in the fall.

Cindy Trumpower/Robin Bishop:

Cindy is also new to our program. She was matched with LS Robin Bishop on June 9th. Cindy is employed as a teller with Farmers and Merchants Bank. Robin is 11 years old and will be entering the 6th grade in the fall.

Gary Rossman/Danny Jones:

Gary is another newcomer to our program. He took Danny Jones as his Little Brother on June 14th. Gary is employed as a cost analyst for Fairchild Space and Defense. Danny is 10 years old and will be entering the 5th grade in the fall.

CALENDAR

Friday - Sunday, August 12 - 14, 1994.
Big/Little Brother/Sister Annual Camping Trip
Details on enclosed flyer!!

Wednesday, August 24, 1994. 7:00 p.m.
BB/BS Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street

CHICKEN BAR-B-Q

The annual chicken bar-b-q benefitting the Big Brothers/Big Sisters camping trip will be held on Saturday, August 6th from 10:00 a.m. - ? It will be held at Ernst's Market, 2 miles east of Clear Spring on Dam #5 Road. The cost is \$4.00 for half a chicken, cole slaw, baked beans, roll and butter.

BB Charlie Rowe has a need for a few good volunteers to help set up and serve. If you're interested in helping, call the agency office at 739-4711.

- POTPOURRI -

- Oops! We forgot to congratulate LB Jennifer Deal and LB Timothy Ridesout on making the Honor Roll last marking period! Way to go!

- Congratulations to Board Treasurer Mike James and his wife, Kimberly on the birth of their second daughter, Sarah Ann on July 18th. Sarah weighed in at 8lbs 5ozs.

- Congratulations to Board member and Big Brother Fred Barrett and his wife Lisa on the birth of their second child, a daughter, Lauren Ashley on July 25th. Lauren weighed in at 7lbs 8 ozs.



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A REMINDER TO BIGS

The current policy of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Washington County, Inc. on overnight visits is that no such visits will be authorized prior to the six-month anniversary of the match, and then only with the approval of both the parent and the caseworker. Volunteers are reminded that liability coverage may not be in effect if violations of Big Brothers/Big Sisters policy occurs.

THANK YOU

- To Board members Cherry Byrd and Claire Mumma and Little Sister Chinninia Clopper and Executive Director Bob McKee for helping to clean up the agency's mile of the Adopt-A-Highway Program in June.
- To Margaret Washington for organizing the bus trip to Kenneywood Park and taking some of our Little Brothers and Little Sisters along for the day.
- To J.R. Arnold for donating the Hagerstown Suns tickets for our Waiting List Littles.
- To Winston Blenckstone and the Hagerstown Suns for donating a Hot Dog and Coke to our Waiting List Littles at the game.
- To Connie Graber for the generous donation recently made to the program.
- To Board member Cyndi Beall for chairing the FOP Carnival Bingo Tent. Thanks also to all the volunteers who helped make this a successful fund raising event.
- To American Legion Morris Frock Post #42 for sending five of our Little Brothers to Camp West Mar.

CIRCUS TICKETS

Free tickets will be available for the Bentley Brothers Circus, to be held at the Hagerstown Fairgrounds and sponsored by the Hagerstown International Association of Firefighters Local 1605.

The circus will be held on Wednesday, August 10th and Thursday, August 11th. There will be 4:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. shows on both days.

Both adult and children tickets are available on a first come, first serve basis. Please call the agency office at 739-4711 if you are interested in getting tickets.

SUMMER COMMUNICATION

Summer brings family vacations for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters and summer camp and family vacations for the Little Brothers and Little Sisters. Don't let the summer disrupt your communication and contact.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters - send your Little an occasional postcard this summer when you are away on vacation. The children really enjoy hearing from you, knowing that you are thinking of them.

Little Brothers/Little Sisters - send your Big a postcard this summer while you are away at camp or on vacation with your family. The volunteers really like to hear what you are doing and that you are having fun.

A postcard only requires a 19 cent stamp and will let each of you know that your friendship is strong and continuous. It is important that you remember each other not only when at home, but when away as well!

- the bottom line -

Think of giving not as a duty,
but as a privilege.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS

OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND, INC.

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SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

BB/BS

LB/LS

Jill Poffenberger (8 yrs) Annie Shumaker
Karla Mease (3 yrs) Marsha West
Kathleen Vogt (1 yr) Julie Seal
Virginia Draper (1 yr) Ashley Magee



NEW MATCHES

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

Nicole Winger/Jennifer Seal -

Nicole is new to our program. She was matched with Jennifer Seal on August 3rd. Nicole is a Public Information Assistant at Hagerstown Junior College who also works part time at WHAG TV 25. Jennifer is in the 6th grade at E. Russell Hicks Middle School. She is 11 years old.

Bill Hornberger/Jimmy Gandy -

Bill has been with the program since 1993. On August 3rd, he was matched with Jimmy Gandy. Bill is self employed in the Home Improvement business. Jimmy is 12 years old and in the 7th grade at Smithsburg Middle School.

Gary Naugle/Travis Keliher -

Gary has been with the program since 1983. He was matched with an additional Little Brother, Travis Keliher on September 20th. Gary is employed at Grove Manufacturing Co. as a Mechanical Designer. Travis is 10 years old and attends the 5th grade at Pangborn Elementary School.

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

BB/BS

LB/LS

Pat Poffenberger (9 yrs) Carol Burkner
Tom Van Hecke (7 yrs) Dwayne Frazier
Edward Distad (7 yrs) Wayne Gossert
Pamela House (6 yrs) Laura West
Milton Stamper (4 yrs) Nathan Mowery

CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 26, 1994. 7:00 P.M.
BB/BS Board of Directors Meeting
Agency Office - 16 West Franklin Street

Sunday, October 30, 1994. 4:00 - 7:00 P.M.
BB/BS YMCA Swim/Pizza Party
Details on enclosed flier!!

Wednesday, November 16, 1994. 6:00 P.M.
BB/BS Annual Dinner Meeting
Holiday Inn - 900 Dual Highway

Wednesday, December 7, 1994. 6:00 P.M.
BB/BS Christmas Dinner
Otterbein United Methodist Church
108 East Franklin Street, Hagerstown, MD
Mark you calendars now!!!

SUPPORT THE UNITED WAY

This year the United Way has set a goal of \$1,700,000.00. The monies raised are distributed among 25 member agencies who provide services to people in our County.

Support the United Way and help our neighbors. Be a fair share giver through payroll deductions. Then, share the wonderful feeling of giving with your family, friends and coworkers. Every donation, whether large or small, plays an important part in the life of someone in our area. Please help the United Way help Washington County.

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RAINBOWS

Rainbows is a nonprofit support group for young children, adolescents and adults who are having difficulty dealing with a family tragedy of any type. These support groups are divided by age (grades K-8 and grades 9-12).

The purpose of Rainbows is to help put the suppressed feelings of our children into words. By sharing these emotions, possibly they can be overcome. For more information, please call 733-6555.

- POTPOURRI -

- Cindy Perini gave birth to a 7 lb. 2 1/2 oz., 19 1/2" baby boy on August 7, 1994. He was given the name of Peter Edward Perini, Jr. after his father. Congratulations!
- We hope Big Brother George Rowe is feeling better these days after emergency surgery late this summer.
- Congratulations to Board Member Lynann Adams and the rest of her Parent Aid Group from the Parent/Child Center on winning "The Washington County Most Wonderful Citizen" Award. We hope you become one of "Maryland's Most Wonderful".
- Congratulations to Little Brother Joseph Keltner and Little Brother Bernard Trost on making the American Major League Allstar Baseball Team. Cheers to a terrific season!
- We also want to congratulate Little Brother Jason Shriner, Little Brother Larry Shriner, Little Brother Bernard Trost, Little Brother Nathan Henderson, Little Brother Mike Horst and Little Brother Jacob Horst on making the Junior League Football teams. Good luck to all your teams in the remainder of the season. Also we want to thank Little Sister Tina Horst for cheering on her brother Jake.
- Congratulations to Little Sister Julie Seal who received 24th place in the Washington County Fifth Graders Cross Country Race. Nice job Julie!

THANK YOU!!!!

- Green Spring Water Co. for donating the proceeds from the sale of bottled water at the Governor's Crab Feast.
- The Antietam Exchange Club for their generous contribution to the program.
- Former Board member Anne Wilson for assisting the agency with its Back To School Expo display.
- To United Way ARAAC Members Mary Ann Bugosh and Lee Downey for selling cheesecakes to benefit the agency. Also, to the other Bigs, Littles and Board members who helped sell Simply Delicious Cheesecakes.
- To Big Brother Charlie Rowe and his entire family for hosting the annual camping trip.
- To Travis Yates and The Potomac Bass Anglers for hosting the fishing rodeo for all the Littles during the annual camping trip.
- To Bill Albowicz for his energy and effort in obtaining the prizes presented to the Littles during the annual camping trip.
- To the many other individuals, organizations and businesses that generously contributed to the success of the camping trip. Each has been individually thanked.
- To the Washington County Restaurant and Beverage Charitable Foundation for their donation of Suns tickets.

- the bottom line -

Take the time to understand and lend a gentle helping hand.

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NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

BB/BS

George Rowe	(8 yrs)	Frankie Shupp
Ned Reed	(5 yrs)	Todd Chaco
Gordon Hurlburt	(4 yrs)	Joey Stull
Christie Pritchard	(2 yrs)	Jasmine Fitzwater
Susan Reed	(2 yrs)	Tasha Mankins

LB/LS



1991. She served as the Secretary from June, 1993 until December 31, 1994. She Co-chaired the 1994 Bowl For Kids' Sake and will do so again in 1995.

Holly also served as chair of the 1994 Home Improvement Auction.

Holly Proctor is a volunteer that always says yes when asked to help and always does an excellent job with all that she is involved with. Thanks Holly and congratulations!

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

BB/BS

Kristie Palmer	(2 yrs)	Brandy Smith
Gregg DeLauney	(1 yr)	Charles Linton

LB/LS

**** SWIM OPPORTUNITY****

With the cold weather upon us again, we would like to remind all Big and Little Brother/Sister teams of the swim opportunities 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.

CALENDAR

*Wednesday, January 25, 1995. 7:00 P.M.
BB/BS Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Agency office - 16 W. Franklin Street*

*Wednesday, February 15, 1995. 6:30 - 9:00 P.M.
BB/BS Skate Party at Starland Roller Rink.
Mark this date on your 1995 calendar now!*

Family Swim Period Winter Schedule:

SMALL POOL

Monday	6:00-7:15 p.m.
Thursday	4:30-7:30 p.m.
Friday	6:00-7:15 p.m.
Sunday	noon-3:00 p.m.

LARGE POOL

Monday through Friday	9:00-10:00 p.m. (3 lanes)
Saturday	3:30 - 5:30 p.m. (3 lanes)
Sunday	2:00- 4:00 p.m. (all lanes)

We would like to thank the Hagerstown YMCA for this opportunity and encourage all to take a dip in the Y pool.

OFFICE CLOSING

The agency office will be closed for the Christmas Holidays from 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 22nd until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3rd.

The answering machine will be on during that time and all calls are monitored daily. In case of an emergency, contact Bob McKee at 739-2896. Do not hesitate to give him a call if you have concerns or need assistance.

BOARD MEMBER OF THE YEAR HONORED

The Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Washington County, MD presented Holly Proctor with the Board Member of the Year Award at the Annual Meeting.

Holly has served on the Board of Directors since the merger of Big Brothers and Big Sisters in July,

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The 1994 slate of officers for the Board of Directors was elected at the November Annual Dinner Meeting.

Serving the agency in 1995 will be Gary Weaver, President; Cyndi Beall, 1st Vice President; Raymond Holton, 2nd Vice President; JoAnn Plum, Secretary; and Michael James, Treasurer. If any of these

Officers call upon you for assistance,

PLEASE say YES!

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NEW BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED

Eight individuals were elected to the Board of Directors at the recent Annual Dinner Meeting. Those elected for three-year terms were Lynann Adams, Douglas Fiery, Pamela Hause, Angie Helfrick, Craig Koons, Claire Mumma, Kristie Palmer and Holly Proctor.

POTPOURRI

- We wish to express our sympathy to Board Member Bill Hatcher on the recent loss of his grandmother.
- The Browns Junior League Football team which Little Brother Bernard Trost was a member of took third place in the consolation games. Congratulations Bernard!
- We are proud to report that Jennifer and Julie Seal made the Honor Roll. Good job girls!
- We also want to congratulate Little Brother Timothy Rideout on making the Honor Roll. Good job Timmy!
- We are proud to report that Little Brother Frank Shupp represented South High as a Voting Delegate at the Kansas City FFA National Convention. Good job Frank!

THANK YOU!!!!

- To Big Sister Trina Johnson for decorating the Fellowship Hall at the Otterbein United Methodist Church for our annual Christmas Dinner.
- To John Negley for playing Santa Claus at our annual Christmas Dinner.
- To Big Sister Kristie Palmer and Little Sister Brandy Smith for representing our agency at the United Way Welcoming of Santa Claus at the Valley Mall on November 19th.

- To the First National Bank of Maryland for their donation of tickets to the Maryland Symphony Orchestra Holiday Concert held on December 11th.
- To Jean Barrie, Pauline Dando and Vernon Stouffer for their generous donations made recently to the program.
- To William Divelbiss and the Rose Hill Cemetery of Hagerstown for their generous donation made in memory of loved ones laid to rest in Rose Hill.

BIG BROTHER/BIG SISTER AWARDS PRESENTED

At the November 16th Annual Dinner Meeting, Big Brother Charlie Rowe and Big Sister Jill Poffenberger were presented with the Big Brother and Big Sister of the Year Awards by Meg Mallon.

These two individuals represent our volunteers, giving more than just their time, but a listening ear, fulfilled days and someone that can be depended on through the good and the bad.

We would like to congratulate Charlie and Jill on the time and talent they have dedicated in working with Travis and Annie.

CHANGES?? MOVING??

PLEASE!! Be sure to call the office at 739-4711 if you move or change your phone number. We need to know where you are and how to call you. THANKS!!

THE BOTTOM LINE

One cannot make oneself, but one can sometimes help a little in the making of somebody else.

Dinah Mulock Craik