



NEW CASTLE COUNTY CONNECTION

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Delaware, Inc.

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Nominations for “Big of the Year”

Over the summer we sent out letters asking our Littles for nominations for “Big of the Year”. We received many heartwarming and moving letters and would like to thank all the Littles who contributed! Our nominees will be pooled with the other nominees from our Dover and Georgetown offices, and one Big Brother and Big Sister from each program will be chosen as a “Big of the Year”! Here are the nominees from New Castle County:

Community Program:

Karen Beare—nominated by Maria

Pompeii Conover—nominated by Maliak

Brian Davis—nominated by Bobby

Fury Fecondo—nominated by Tanner

Ken Hunter—nominated by Craig

Laura Shannon—nominated by Jalisha

Martha Sharp—nominated by Leonora

Elizabeth Socorso—nominated by Faith

Geoff Williams—nominated by Jaylon

School Program:

Bill Wells—nominated by BBBS Staff

Shirley Dooley—nominated by BBBS Staff



*“She’s not just
my Big Sister,
she’s family.”*

Congratulations to all the nominees!

Delaware Symphony Orchestra Concerts

Enjoy a night out at the Grand Opera House!

Thanks to the generosity of the Delaware Symphony Orchestra, we have free concert tickets available for matches for select concerts of the 2007-2008 concert series! Tickets are on a first come, first served basis.

A Meet & Greet with the conductor or musicians can be arranged upon request.

The next three concerts are part of the Classical Series:

* Saturday, November 17 –
Featuring Clancy Newman
on cello.

* Saturday, January 12 –
Featuring Jaime Laredo on
violin and Sharon Robinson
on cello.

* Saturday, February 9 –
Featuring Simone Dinner-
stein on piano.

If you are interested in attending any of these concerts, please RSVP to:

Cathi Del Vecchio
(302) 998-3577
cdelvechio@bbbsde.org

Call or e-mail to find out about other upcoming DSO concerts.

**These concerts are better suited for older children.*

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General Delaware Symphony Orchestra Concert Information:

- All concerts are held at the Grand Opera House in Wilmington.
- Classical Series concerts begin at 8:00pm and are approximately 2 hours in duration, including an intermission.
- Garage parking is available nearby for \$3.00.
- Visit www.desymphony.org for more information.

THANK YOU TO THE DELAWARE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FOR THIS WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY!

Match of the Month

This month we would like to recognize Big Brother Stewart Krug and his Little Brother, David Rogers.

Stew and David have been matched for five years!

In a letter to our agency, David's mother, Kim Rogers, said that Stew "has been such an asset to our household and lives in general. Over the five years that he has been a part of our family it has

been an amazing journey."

David and Stew take part in a variety of activities together. David's favorite sport is baseball and Stew recently took him to the Baltimore Orioles game and a Philadelphia Phillies play-off game.

They also like to go to the driving range, to the movies, go bowling, play basketball and have a catch.

They have also participated in BBBS agency-sponsored activities, such as the Hayride and Bonfire held last month at Carousel Park.

Stew is often invited to the Rogers' family functions. He attends holiday barbecues and birthday parties.

They are a great match and will share many memories to come!

This match was nominated by Case Manager Kimberly Rucinski.

"...it has been an amazing journey."

Little Brother on His Way to the Top!

Dmitri, who is 10 years old and who has been matched with Carl Lathon for almost one year in the community program, recently graduated from John Casablancas Modeling and Career Center in Langhorne, PA.

Dmitri attended classes

every Saturday for the last seven weeks with the dream of starting an acting and modeling career.

All of Dmitri's hard work and dedication has paid off—he graduated from the program on October 20, 2007.

Dmitri recently had his first photo shoot and can now audition for commercials, television shows, and more!

Congratulations Dmitri!

Would you like to share your exciting news with the BBBS community? Contact your Case Manager and let us know about it!

Match Anniversaries

November Anniversaries:

Deborah & Shayna—11/3
Tara & Monica—11/5
Ed, Terry & Daniel—11/5
Danine & Andrew—11/5
Alexis & Saadya—11/9
Reagan & Angela—11/11
Marie & Imani—11/13
Fury & Tanner—11/14

Ryan & Kenya— 11/16
Shawn & Marshall—11/18
Berry & Joel—11/23
Eileen & Natalie—11/24
Michelle & Mary—11/28
Qualya & Kasene—11/30
Maxine & Tiffany—11/30

December Anniversaries:

Mark & Travion—12/5
Harry & Rashid—12/6
Michelle & Aje—12/6
Tim & LaBrian—12/12
Jillian & Ayla—12/14
Gloria & Elvis—12/15

We hope you are having a fun time together!



Upcoming BBBS Event: Holiday Lights Show at Longwood Gardens

Join us and enjoy the Holiday Light and Fountain Display at Longwood Gardens!

Tickets are only \$2.00 each, and Big Brothers Big Sisters will cover the cost of the bus!

We need a minimum of 25 people to sign up so please take advantage of the low cost tickets and come along to get into the holiday spirit!

Here are the details...

WHEN: Sunday, December 2, 2007

TIME: 5:00pm—8:30pm

The bus will leave from the Big Brothers Big Sisters office at 5:30pm and will return to the office by 8:30pm.

COST: \$2.00 per ticket for both adults and children.

Please RSVP by Monday, November 26!

RSVP to Kimberly
(302) 998-3577 Ext. 106
krucinski@bbbsde.org

*This event is open to everyone. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Visit Longwood Gardens online at:
www.LongwoodGardens.org

Did You Know...

**Big Brothers
Big Sisters
sponsors events
almost every
month throughout
the year?
Some events are
for matches
only, but we often
have events
that are open to
everyone!**

Welcome New BBBS Staff Members!

Over the past few months we have had to say goodbye to three of our staff members:

- ☆Alison Clark
- ☆Valerie Fleming
- ☆Christine Norris

We will miss them and we wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors!

We are pleased to have on board the newest members of our team:

- ☆Tarin Mayer
- ☆Kimberly Rucinski
- ☆Amanda Short

They are joining our staff as Case Managers and have been busy making calls and mailing out let-

ters to introduce themselves to the matches they are now supporting.

We hope that you will extend a warm welcome to them!

**Welcome
Tarin,
Kimberly,
and
Amanda!**

Fantastic Fall Word Search

N L K D N A E Z S Y Y P O U V Y R C H Q T T T W T Y U H C N
O R E R Z B I N S F O O N B L X R F I O U D Z B N C O W O W
S V O A A P I P L K A K M R A K E A A R P Y S C G S O N L O
A C C O V K J E O F U H A R V E S T K Y H F K F U E N R Z R
A R K X P E K K N C T P H U I M Y E E D A J H D D G K S U C
L S E M E M S H S C U J R Z W Z Y R G N Y L J S Z C C Q D E
H Z U D W Y N P P M M N Z I G N E O N I W A W Q Q L Q M D R
C P I M I U G C C G N K R I D W W Y N W V Q B M I Z M W K A
M Z O Z Y C M U K U X X F O Y E X Z G E L P P A P C D S N C
G N I V I G S K N A H T L P C W P X Q T F H X E Q I B Y W S

ACORN
APPLE
AUTUMN
CIDER
CORNUCOPIA
HARVEST
HAY
LEAVES
PUMPKINS
RAKE
SCARECROW
THANKSGIVING
TURKEY
WINDY

Find these words in the puzzle - they may be forwards, backwards, or diagonal! Have fun!

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