



The Big Connection

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our vision is to provide a mentor for every child who needs or wants one

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Dear Supporter

It is hard to believe that December is here and snowflakes are flying. We are busy with year end projects and are looking ahead to a new and exciting 2011 year. Wishing you all the best during this Holiday Season!

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● **Annual Fund Drive**

As we come to the end of another successful year of serving the youth of Warren and Clinton Counties, we are asking you to help us continue to provide successful mentoring relationships for all children who need them.



As you prepare your holiday gifts this year, please consider donating to Big Brothers and Sisters of Warren and Clinton Counties and know that your gift will truly make a difference in the life of a young person.

[To learn more about our Annual Fund Drive. Click Here>>](#)



● **Great Wolf Lodge**

Great Wolf Lodge at Kings Island is offering visitors and guests the opportunity to support Big Brothers and Sisters of Warren and Clinton Counties through the purchase of a Christmas Ornament. The cost of each ornament is only \$5.00 each. All proceeds will be donated to our local agency. Visit Great Wolf Lodge this holiday season to purchase your ornament.



Good News!

We have several volunteers who have reason to celebrate:

Congratulations on the birth of your child:

BS Ashlynn

Big Couple Jennifer and Chad

Big Sister and Board Member Billie

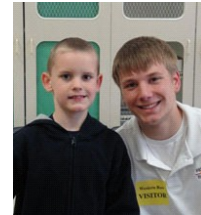
Congratulations on your new Home

BS Holly



● **School-Based Mentoring Recruitment**

It's hard to believe that it's Back to School Time! For BBBS, that means it's also time to start recruiting for School Based Mentors! School Based Mentoring is a program that takes place in Lebanon (Berry and Donovan), Mason (Western Row), and Franklin (PennyRoyal) School Districts during the course of the school year ONLY. Generally, matches start meeting in October and go until May, but we are currently in the process of recruiting, interviewing, and screening "Bigs" for this school year. Each program occurs at the same time and place each week (usually early afternoon, at the child's school). The programs last from 45 minutes to an hour. Bigs can be high school students OR adults. This program is focused on one-to-one relationships, and is not tutoring-based. However, the children in this program continually see improved grades, even if they are not working on school work. An hour a week can really make a difference in a child's life!



As always, we are also recruiting for Bigs in our Community Based Program! We are in great need of men to be Bigs, but are also looking for Big Sisters. To learn more about becoming a big in one of our programs, click the link below!



[About Our Programs>>](#)

● **Thanks So Much!**

Our agency would like to thank the following organizations/individuals for their help and generosity.

Dr. James Schirmer: For donating 12 Cincinnati Reds Tickets. What a great year to see a baseball game!

Staples, Wilmington:For donating school supplies for our Littles.

Big Sister Dawn Rhodes: For raising over \$1,000 in donations in conjunction with her recent Marathon Race.

Karen Hoffman and Family:For providing a Thanksgiving dinner to one of our families.

Our agency is always looking for donations! We ask that you keep us in mind if you have something our matches could use. From tickets to games, to movie passes, to art supplies, let us know if you have something to donate. 513-932-3966.



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