

# New Matches

Abbie \ Kasondra Jarvis	Dae'Sheanna \ Kimberly Burfiend	Katherine \ Janice Conner	Miles \ Leonard Rankin
Abbigail \ Hannah Alexander	Dakota \ Austin Michael	Katie \ Katie Wilson	Monica \ Taylor Scheibe
Adia \ Amber Fern	David \ Nathan Wilson	Kayla \ Ashley Wright	Nathan \ Jordan Ledbetter
Adrian \ Joe Blanchard	Davonta \ Sydney Novsek	Kayla \ Megan Heaton	Payge \ Taylor Junker
Adriana \ Taylor Fleitz	Dawson \ Tyler Harm	Kaylie \ Miranda Wise	Payton \ Kayla Kistner
Adrianna \ Lyndsie Lappe	DeAndre \ Patrick Moore	KayLynne \ Janice Pittman-LaRiviere	Raevynn \ Abby Haida
Alex \ Dominic Antonacci	Denzel \ Mark Cruse	Kelly \ Courtney Nadolski	Rebekah \ Megan Langenhorst
Alexandra \ Lisa Tong	Devin \ Chase Smith	KeyMondre \ Drew Bridgeman	Robbie \ Taylor Nadler
Alexis \ Caitlyn Behnke	Domonick \ Nick Hager	Kieran \ Catherine Funderburk	Robert \ Taylor O'Connor
Alexis \ Judith Long	Donovan \ Jennifer Lenz	Kitiana (Tia) \ Sheila Mitchell-Hawkins	Ronnie \ James Heafner
Amaurie \ Courtney Schomaker	Duane \ Alex Hawthorne	Kylah \ Paige Wilkerson	Rubilyah \ Stephanie Colbert
Andrew \ Chandler Miller	Dustin \ Zachary McCarty	Kyle \ Christopher Isenhower	Ryan \ Austin Bartle
Arronyea \ Sheree Steele	Dylan \ Cory Collier	Kyle \ Joseph Campbell	Ryan \ Kelly Hacker
Austin \ Amber Christ	Elijah \ Megan Hrdlicka	Kylie \ Alyssa McCarthy	Samantha \ Alison Platzkoester
Austin \ Tony LaFata	Elizabeth \ Taylor Maglasang	Kyra \ Paige Heimann	Samantha \ Rahkel Martin
Autumn \ Amanda Haffer	Elizah \ Nathaniel Peters	Lace \ Kara Ogilvie	Savannah \ Emily Sheehey
Bo \ Alexandra Rohlfing	Erikson \ Cole Goldschmidt	Lance \ Kelcie Comley	Savannah \ Laura Roider
Brandi \ Kandy Timmermann	Fallon \ Casey Schulte	LaShantae \ Natasha Ridgers	Selena \ Paige Whipple
Brandi \ Lindsey Proksha	Gavin \ Taylor Caplinger	Lauren \ Kaitlyn Heise	Shandra \ Jenna Huels
Brandon \ Catherine Hawn	Grant \ Andrew Dumstorff	Lauren \ Kristine Martin	Shavonda \ Veronica Seabaugh
Brandon \ Joshua Springer	Hannah \ Andrea Schmittling	Lauren \ Rose Gear	Shelby \ Emily Mccowan
Brandon \ Joshua Springer	Haylee \ Taylor Rae Hormberg	Lexie \ Kelli Klepac	Sire \ Casey Huegen
Brittany \ Brandy Rodenberg	Heng \ Alexandria Hoxworth	Lindsey \ Krystalyn Kohlbrecher	Stephanie \ Megan Holl
Bryce \ Jenny Faus	Hollis \ ToiJuana Wiley	Luciana \ LaToya Lytle	Steven \ Ronald Seabaugh & Dianne Seabaugh
Caitlin \ Antinique Graham	Isaiah \ Kimberly Nalley	Luis \ Stephanie Saunders	Taylor \ Jessi Ungerer
Caleb \ Randy Netemeyer	Jacob \ Brandon Book	Mackenzie \ Sarah Pollmann	Taylor \ Kamara Cox
Celena \ Doreen Moosa	Jade \ Haley Purcell	Madeline \ Courtney Eschmann	Taylor \ Savannah Dill
Chandler \ Haley Fisher	Jamie \ Ashley Provaznik	Makenzie \ Courtney Kern	Tiffany \ Katelyn Fuller
Charles \ Courtney Zimmermann	Janie \ Rachele Wiegand	Martin \ Tessa Amsden	Tom \ Nathan Leingang
Charles \ Troy Blakely	Ja'Shon \ Clayton Maschhoff	Mary \ Megan Bateman	Trae'Veion \ Jordon Hendricks
Chauntel \ Coreen Ellis	Jillian \ Danielle Mueller	Mathew \ Brett Deiters	Travis \ Holly Barker
Chelsey \ Kelsey Renschen	Joe \ Jimmy Quinones	Matthew \ Ryan Rist	Tyler \ Danielle Knox
Chelsi \ Audrey Krump	Jonathon \ Isaac Dodd	Michael \ Jared Linton	Tyler \ Olivia Hunter
Chelsy \ Sydney Weaver	Jordan \ Jessica Rakers	Michael \ Timothy Robinson	Tyler \ Shawn Downing
Cheyenne \ Kathleen Jamerson	Jordan \ Lauren Falk	Michaela \ Laramie Rushing	Tyrone \ Rebekah Cripe
Cheyenne \ Kathleen Jamerson	Jorden \ Steve Hoernis		Wolfgang \ Greg Zander
Christian \ Paige Glazebrook	Joseph \ Raul Chavez		Zachary \ John Hemann
Claire \ Rebecca Krebel	Julia \ Amy Rzepczynski		Zack \ Lindsay Storm
Cole \ Ben Ottolini	Kallie \ Kelsey Whitaker		Zavien \ Jeffrey Wallace
Collin \ Jonathan Scott	Kapria \ Alexandria Hormberg		
Colton \ Cameron Lofton	Karla \ Ashley Bushong		
Corey \ Nick Grapperhaus	Kassandra \ Lydia Heimann		
Courtney \ Kara Richeson			
Crystal \ Ashley Smith			

We are eternally thankful for our Big Brothers and Big Sisters who share their time and hearts with their Littles. We are especially grateful to our Donors who generously open their pockets and hearts to support these essential Big and Little matches.



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## A Message from the President and CEO

Barbara Cempura

## Celebrating our Past - Building our Future

Thirty years ago, social workers at Belleville Area Special Education District set out to start a Big Brothers Big Sisters agency. They saw a need for role models and mentors for children struggling in school. Along with community volunteers, they formed a Board of Directors, hired the first staff person and founded the agency in 1980. Fast forward to 2010 and almost 1,000 youth are matched with a Big Brother or Big Sisters in St. Clair, Madison, Clinton and Monroe counties.



Our agency is focused on building futures for the children we serve through one-to-one friendship relationships. Essential to building bright futures for our children are:

- the time and dedication of our volunteers,
- the kids that give their friendship to their Big,
- the families that are committed to strengthening their child's future,
- our professional staff who support and guide the matches of Bigs and Littles,
- and the partners and donors that financially support the friendships we help create.

The growth of the agency since 1980 was made possible by the support of donors, volunteers and parents who entrusted their children to Big Brothers Big Sisters. Through the leadership of our Board of Directors, the agency has grown from one to 18 staff and from a budget of \$17,000 to \$845,000. Thousands of youth have been matched with a Big Brother or Big Sister over the past 30 years. The outcomes we measure show that children matched with a Big improve academically, avoid beginning to use alcohol and drugs and improve their attitudes toward school.

I appreciate those individuals, companies and community organizations that have helped us build our children's future. I ask that our volunteers, staff, families, partners and donors consider making a financial contribution to Big Brothers Big Sisters to help us begin the next 30 years of creating friendships for youth who want and need a mentor. Thanks to each of you who helped us grow and build bright futures for our children.

## Inside:

▶ **Clinton County Celebrates**

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**We are currently planning our activities and fundraising calendar for 2011.**

**If you or the company you work for would like to sponsor an event or children's activity, please contact Barbara at 398-3162.**

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**October -**

**31 - Happy Halloween!**



**November -**

**26 & 27 - Office Closed - Happy Thanksgiving!**

**December -**

**2 - Building Futures Breakfast**



**12 - Agency Holiday Party - 2-4 pm  
Bel-Air Bowl, Belleville**



**20 - ★macy's Gift Wrapping - 12 - 8 pm**

**25 - Merry Christmas  
Office will be closed Dec. 24 - Jan. 1**

## Make Holiday Magic!

A special way to celebrate the spirit of the season is to consider granting a little wish for a child or a family for the holidays through the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization.

Over 70 high priority families and more than 100 children are on a waiting list to receive gifts. You can help them by purchasing the item(s) from a list that we will provide to you. All items on the "wish list" are priced at \$20 or less.

If you or your company would like more information about adopting a child or a family for Christmas, please call Michelle today at 618-398-3162.



### Meet Darrell

Darrell Coons is our new Recruitment Coordinator at Big Brothers Big Sisters. Darrell currently resides in Belleville with his wife Sandy. They have two

grown children, Michael and Mandy, both married and living in the Huntsville, AL area with the most important members of the family, grandsons Austin, Alex, Sam & Jack, and granddaughter, Ellie.

Darrell serves as Fire Chaplain with Fire Support Ministries, Inc. in Belleville, IL serving the Belleville (IAFF Local 53), Northwest Volunteer, East Side Volunteer, St. Louis Downtown Airport and MidAmerica Airport Fire Departments. And he is also the chaplain for the Belleville Retired Firefighters Club and the Illinois Association of Retired Firefighters.

A native of Hueytown, AL, Darrell graduated from Samford University in Birmingham (Bachelor of Music Ed.), attended Midwestern Baptist Seminary and graduated from Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis, MO (MDiv). He served for 15 years as Senior Pastor of Hope Church in Belleville and for 3 years as Associate Pastor of Worship and Administration of Westview Baptist Church in Swansea, IL.

Darrell serves as Vice-President of the BASIC Initiative in Belleville, is a member of the Advisory Council of PSOP in Belleville and is a board member of Get Up N Go in St. Clair County. He is an Ambassador and Lead Advocate for the St. Louis Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

## Celebrating 10 years of serving children in Clinton County

This school year marks our 10th anniversary of serving children in Clinton County. Over the past 10 years 15 schools, including 4 high schools, in Clinton County have participated in our program. To help celebrate our 10 year partnership, Big Brothers Big Sisters donated a recognition award, playground balls and a tree to each of the schools who have or are currently participating in our program.

We appreciate the outstanding volunteers from Carlyle, Central, Mater Dei and

Wesclin high schools who serve or have served as mentors to the students in Aviston, Breese, Beckemeyer, Carlyle Elementary, Carlyle Jr. High, Germantown, New Baden, St. George, St. Mary's and Trenton grade schools. They use their lunch periods and study breaks to spend time together.

We could not provide Big Brothers Big Sisters services to the students without a close working relationship with the faculty and staff at each

of the schools. We appreciate their partnership in our efforts to provide a mentor for every child who wants and needs one.

In the 2009-2010 school year, more than 160 elementary students in Clinton County were matched with a Big Brother or Big Sister volunteer.

To view photos from this event, please visit [www.bbbsil.org](http://www.bbbsil.org) under events and sponsorships and click on event photos.

# 2010 House Raffle Winners

2,550 Tickets SOLD!!!



Pictured is Terri Hoff, Big Brothers Big Sisters Office Manager and 1st Prize - \$100,000 Winner, Kimberly Leibovich.

1. Kimberly Leibovich, Lebanon
2. Willa King, Apple Valley, CA
3. Willie Carter, St. Louis, MO
4. Robert Schall, Belleville
5. Fr. John J. Joyce, Okawville
6. Janice Voss, Belleville
7. Luanne Szopa, O'Fallon
8. Gladys Boisseau, Shiloh
9. Danielle Green, Belleville
10. Walter J. Whitaker, O'Fallon
11. Sandra K. Lewis, Belleville
12. Carrie Oslager, Belleville
13. Karen M. Glorioso, St. Louis, MO
14. Patricia Martin, Granite City
15. Sharon Richter, Caseyville
16. Ryan Timmermann, Breese
17. Rebecca Ellis, Glen Carbon

18. Pat Cato, Belleville
19. Lawrence E Schaltenbrand, Belleville
20. Daniel C. Hulliung, Belleville
21. Robert R. Riggs, Belleville
22. Fred Bach, Belleville
23. Cindy Turk, Alton
24. Carolyn Watts, Belleville
25. Phyllis Deffenbaugh, Belleville
26. Eileen I. Svec, Belleville
27. Carolyn A. Volkman, Fairview Heights
28. Dennis Kampwerth, Carlyle
29. Kris Ninnis, Belleville
30. Laverne Ord, Belleville
31. Marco Brown, Glen Carbon
32. Mrs. Robert Dreyer, Belleville
33. Bud Gregory, Troy
34. Lynn Leach, Belleville
35. Stace Faulders, Maryville
36. Cathy Evans, Glen Carbon
37. John Falchetta, Belleville
38. Cheryl L. Wilson, Belleville
39. Dawn Cramer, Fairview Heights
40. Gayle Wilkins, O'Fallon
41. Kathy Wenzel, Belleville
42. Robert H. Bergkoetter, Millstadt
43. Michael Delmont, Los Angeles, CA
44. Martin H. Roth, O'Fallon
45. Irene Truman, Archie, MO



GCS - Federal Credit Union staff, their members and the Kid Club participants donated items to help re-stock the kitchen cabinets for families in our program with wholesome foods and cleaning supplies. Thank you to the 7 GCS locations in Southwestern Illinois for hosting the food drive.

**THANK YOU**

- **FULFORD Homes and Rice Sullivan & Co. LTD, for supporting the House Raffle.**
- **Marilyn Lippold and the Yellow Tie members for donating over \$300 from their recent membership golf outing.**

# MATCH ANNIVERSARIES

**1 Year**

- Alexis \ Vondell Burns
  - Andrea \ Tamara Harris
  - Anthony \ Denver Luebbers
  - Ashley \ Angela Harrell
  - Austin \ Tyler Minnaert
  - Brendon \ Brady Luther
  - Cardez \ Gordon Terhune
  - Carmen \ Jordan Chamberlain
  - Charlie \ Jacob Rey
  - Cody \ Andrew Bailey
  - Courtney \ Jade Lucas Damschroeder
  - Dawson \ Christopher Bittle
  - DeJonshe' \ Nicole Stanfa
  - Emily \ Chelsie Markus
  - Emily \ Taylor Mytyk
  - Ethan \ Trevor Wood
  - Felix \ Kalie Vyers
  - Gabrielle \ Dierdre Vasquez-Mister
  - Haley \ Kelsea Chumley
  - Hannah \ Alyssa Vogt
  - Irene \ Mary Dain
  - Isaac \ Kevin Holman
  - Isaiah \ Paul Vallina
  - Jacob \ Rocco Gonzalez
  - Jacolby \ Eric Smith
  - Jasmyne \ Casie Arentsen
  - Jaylon \ Bryant Johnson
- Continued*

- Jeff \ Alex Robertson
  - Jon \ Shelby Culpepper
  - Justin \ Kassi Farmer
  - Katelyn \ Britney Boston
  - Kayla \ Abbie Redohl
  - Keegan \ Elizabeth Henderson
  - Kenzie \ Cassie Merlock
  - Kimani \ Leah Brandon
  - Kirstin \ Emilia Archambault
  - Krista \ Alyssa Gerstenecker
  - Kristina \ Barbara Rogers
  - Lexi \ Courtney Fiessinger
  - Makayla \ Ali Vandelloo
  - Mikell \ Madelyn Munsell
  - Natasha \ Autumn Wetzler
  - Nico \ Mario Meresbang
  - Olivia \ Ciera Hill
  - Rhyan \ Chelsea Pierce
  - Riley \ Michele Bivins
  - Russell \ Jakob Kraft
  - Sadie \ Shannon Ramsey
  - Samantha \ Jordyn Amos
  - Sarah \ Taylor Mulherin
  - Sean \ Kayla Satterfield
  - Sherry \ Tonya Moore
  - Sydney \ Courtney Parker
  - Tony \ Luke Hartenstein
  - Tori \ Lainie Ungerer
- Continued*

- Tyler \ David Wetterlin
- Tyler \ Robert Carwile "Levi"
- Tyrone \ Gregory Bean
- Vincent \ Ian Reitz
- Zechariah \ Joshua McBride

**2 years**

- Aaron \ Kayla Delahun
- Alauna \ Sara Butler
- Alyssa \ Vickie Wilks
- Brady \ Nathan Friz
- Bryanna \ Lauren Marquardt
- Caleb \ Caleb Hicks
- Crystal \ Summer Elbe
- Danielle \ Laura Lenington
- Ethan \ William Beck
- Jasmin \ Ellen Lueking
- Jeremiah \ Cody Hess
- Keith \ Joshua Strausbaugh
- Kirsten \ Chelsea Wooters
- Lanna \ Ashley Bennett
- Lauren \ Amber Jackson
- Nicholas \ Matthew Blevins
- Sharese \ Sarah Schomaker
- Tara \ Amber Luck

**3 years**

- Alonzo \ Jeremy Harmon
- Continued*

- Amber \ Shirlee Byrd
- Austin \ Jerril Jones
- DaJ'a \ Marie Sanders
- Trina \ Stephanie McGovern

**4 years**

- Derrien \ Perry Burks
- Dominic \ Tom Falb
- Ian \ Rick Cavalier
- Katelin \ Theresa Cavalier
- Konnisha \ Sharon Billops

**5 years**

- John \ Thomas Fleming

**6 years**

- Dylan \ Jason Dickerman
- Erykah \ Jeanine Allsup
- Ethan \ Jeremy & Katie Cecil
- Radiesha \ Cheryl Layton

**7 years**

- Kayla \ Laura Zurliene
- Robyn \ Bethany Goff
- Roserrallene \ Louise Dutko

**8 years**

- Emily \ Marilyn Koenig