



President/CEO Donna Bennett, Board Chair Michael Testa, Jr. and Board Member & Immediate Past Chair Cosmo Giovinazzi, IV at this years' Big Brothers Big Sisters Conference in Chicago

News from
Big Brothers Big Sisters of
Cumberland & Salem Counties

Big News



July August 2014

ALL AMERICAN CAR RAFFLE

Gold Standard Recognition Achievement

At its recent 2014 National Leadership Summit in Chicago, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America recognized Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties as one of 13 of the 334 local agencies with the 2013 Gold Standard Award. The award is granted to the network's top performers.

To receive the award Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties achieved the following:

- Growth in active matches
- Community Based 12 month retention rate 64% or higher
- Site Based 12 month retention rate 41% or higher
- Match Support done 90% or higher
- Revenue Growth
- Minimum 150 children served and \$150,000 revenue for 2013

This award recognizes the agency for providing consistent quality and safe programs for our Volunteers, Bigs and Littles.



2014 Chevy Camaro

Raffle License #: RA2014-2 ID #:512-5-30472

Tickets for the 2014 AllAmerican Car Raffle are now available.

We will draw the winning ticket at the Deerfield Harvest Festival on October 12th.

Tickets cost \$100 each, and we limit the ticket sales to 999 tickets.

This year's prize options include: Buick Lacrosse, Cadillac SRX, Chevy Camaro, Dodge Ram, 2 Chevy Sparks, 2 Jeep Patriots, or 2 Harley Davidson's. You can also mix & match with the pairs.

For more information check our web site at:

<http://www.southjerseybigs.org/events/car-raffle/>

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Pair of 2014
Chevy
Sparks

Eleven 2014 Scholarships Awarded

Thanks to our Foundation, we awarded eleven \$1000 scholarships to Graduating Littles and Bigs. Congratulations!

BBBS Foundation Scholarship

- Jordan Miller Cumberland Regional
- Carlos Dolores Vineland High School
- Morgan Falasca Our Lady of Mercy
- Teunah Moulden Woodstown HS
- Logan Gagliardi Woodstown HS
- Madison Danner Woodstown HS
- Gabrielle Rizzo Bridgeton HS
- Summer Glass Cumberland Regional
- Daniel DeLaCruz DCF Cherry Hill
- Kevin Hunter Salem High School

Jerry Smith Memorial Scholarship

- Giavonna Visconti Cumberland Regional



Big Brother Daniel DeLaCruz of DCF Cherry Hill



Little Brother Kevin Hunter of Salem High School

Big Brother of the Year Carlos Dolores of Vineland High School



Big Sister Morgan Falasca of Our Lady of Mercy Acadmey

Giavonna Visconti of Cumberland Regional High School



Little Sister Summer Glass of Cumberland Regional High School

Big Sister of the Year Gabrielle Rizzo of Bridgeton High School



Big Sister Jordan Miller of Cumberland Regional High School



Big Sisters; Madison Danner, Teunah Moulden, and Logan Gagliardi of Woodstown High School



BIG Night, BIG Success!

200 attendees enjoyed a festive night of fine wines, fabulous food, and the excitement of the silent and live auctions at the annual BIG Night. The evening began with wine and appetizer pairings on the patio of the Greenview Inn at Eastlyn Golf Course, followed by the presentation of the Big Brother and Big Sister of the Year awards. Guests enjoyed a buffet dinner while following the action of the silent auction. This year guests placed Silent Auction bids using electronic devices placed throughout the dining room. Excitement built to the very competitive live auction. Highlights of the night included a vendor rolling cigars for guests to enjoy, fine wines to sample and unique items on the auction block.



2014 Dodge Ram
1500 Quad SLT 4X4

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Spotlight on Michael Loyle



This issue, we spotlight Board Member, Michael Loyle. While Michael is a recent addition to our Board of Trustees, his involvement with Big Brothers Big Sisters began long ago. Over 20 years ago, Michael worked with the Big Brothers Big Sisters staff to host events, such as Bowl For Kids Sake and client activities, at Loyle Lanes in Vineland where he was the General Manager/ Partner. Michael was impressed with the staff, mission, and professionalism of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties. He states "it was always a pleasure dealing with Big Brothers Big Sisters".

Michael graduated from Vineland High School and has a Business Management degree from Moravian College. For over 25 years Michael managed Loyle Lanes in Vineland. He recently opened a Yogo Factory on the Boardwalk in Ocean City, New Jersey.

Michael is married to Elizabeth, and has a 19 year-old son (JD) and a 20 year-old step daughter (Julia). He enjoys snowboarding in the winter and in the summer water skiing on the Maurice River. He grew up in a family that was very involved in the community and enjoys the family tradition of giving back. He loves to read and spend time listening to his 90 year-old Uncle Bob talk about his many stories about World War II.

Michael has a longstanding commitment to the local community. He is a 2004 graduate of Leadership Cumberland County. He is a member (27 years) and past President of the Vineland Rotary. As a new Big Brothers Big Sisters Board Member and member of the Rotary Club, Michael would like to work with the Rotary to establish events and programs for our unmatched "Littles". We welcome Michael's experience and enthusiasm to our Board.

Attention all Matches.....

FedEx is providing FREE tickets to Great Adventure for July 26th. Please contact the Big Brothers Big Sisters Office to obtain your tickets. These tickets are for Community Based and Adult School Based Plus matches only. Tickets are available to first come first serve.

We are asking Bigs and Littles to send us photographs from their summer activities. We will include the photos on our Facebook page, Web site and newsletter. Please forward your photographs to: agency@southjerseybigs.org

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties is recruiting and interviewing for the 2014-2015 school year for the Adult School Based & High School Mentoring Programs.

AWAY TO DONATE

Travel booking company, "Away to Donate" has partnered with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties to assist us in raising funds for our programs. Visit our customized travel booking web page at <http://www.awaytodonate.com/donate/bbbsscsc.html> to book all of your travel arrangements.

Once your travel booking is complete, you have the option to direct a portion of your travel dollars to our agency. Away to donate is a fun and easy way to book travel arrangements and support Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cumberland & Salem Counties. For more information, visit <http://www.awaytodonate.com/donate/bbbsscsc.html>.



JULY AND AUGUST ACTIVITIES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
7/17	Motorless Night on the NJMP Track - \$3-\$5. Bicyclists, skateboards, rollerblades, runners and parents with strollers are welcome on the track. 6:30 to sunset
7/18 - 7/20	A Grand Night for Singing at Cumberland County College - \$5 - \$10
7/19	Saturday "By the Bay" Family oriented activities at the Bayshore Center at Bivalve
8/2	GROW for Teen age Bigs and Littles (GIRLS only!)
8/5	Scales and Slime night at Cape May Zoo - \$7 - \$12 6:30 - 8:30 pm Advance tickets
8/5 - 8/8	Salem County Fair
8/9	Millville Car Show - Free
8/13	Thunder over the Boardwalk, Atlantic City Airshow - Free at 11 am
8/17	Antique Fires Apparatus Show at Wheaton Arts - Free

July and August Match Anniversaries

<u>Big</u>	<u>Little</u>	<u>Years</u>
Dennis	Elijah	7
Katherine	Taylor	7
Timyra	Lanaysia	1
Sandra	Mariah	4
Cecelia	Alexa	1
Leslie	Latonya	1
Lois	Hailey	4
Patricia	Chakyra	2
Andrea	Kyra	2
Jonathan	Marcus	2
Joy	Shaquinta	6

Congratulations to our New Matches

<u>Big</u>	<u>Little</u>	<u>Date</u>
Demetrius	David	5/2/14
Megan	Ahnoyea	5/5/14
Alexis	Destiny	5/21/14