



Match Times

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It's time to dust off your bowling ball and mark your calendar for the 2011 Bowl for Kids' Sake on **Saturday, February 26** at Ashwaubenon Bowling Alley. Our 33rd Annual Bowl for Kids' Sake, sponsored by Green Bay Packaging, M&I Bank and Schneider National; will take place on Saturday, February 26 at Ashwaubenon Lanes. The Schreiber Foods Company Bowl is scheduled for Friday, February 18 at Riviera Lanes.

It's a classic movie and TV theme so come dressed as your favorite movie or television character! This could include characters from: The Wizard of Oz, I love Lucy or The Adams Family. Get creative! Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes.

Join in on the fun! Matches and supporters are asked to consider participating in this event. (This is the only time during the year that we ask our mentors to support our fundraising efforts.) You don't need to be a bowler because our 9-pin tap format will make everyone feel like a pro! As always, our youth are encouraged, but not required, to collect pledges.

Support received from Bowl for Kids' Sake directly impacts the lives of youth, providing 1-to-1 mentoring and staff time with a youth.

- \$500 in pledges can fuel college aspirations of a youth and provides 60 hours annually of 1-to-1 mentoring.
- \$250 in pledges can broaden a child's horizon and nearly 30 hours annually of 1-to-1 mentoring.
- \$100 in pledges can start a lifelong friendship to another youth and provides 12 hours annually of 1-to-1 mentoring.

So, get a team together (or we'll add you to a Big Brothers Big Sisters' team), collect pledges from co-workers, friends and family; and join us on the lanes to have some fun while raising money for a great cause. **Individuals and teams can register online at www.bbbsnew.org (log on early for best choice of shift)!**

Mentors and staff will invest 60,000 annually of 1-to-1 time with youth. This equates to \$8.42/hour, so every \$100 contribution provides nearly 12 hours of 1-to-1 time .

Youth having a mentor are:

- 52% more likely to remain in school
- 75% more likely to earn a 4-year degree
- 48% more likely to volunteer
- 81% more likely to hold a leadership role in an organization

Letter from Executive Director

As 2010 comes to an end, there is a great deal of excitement already building for 2011. Big Brothers Big Sisters has new vision and mission statements. They are:

- Our vision is that all children achieve success in life.
- Our mission is to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported 1-to-1 relationships that change their lives for the better, forever.

Our mission calls for us to change children's lives for the better, forever. Our continued focus is to put children on a path to lifelong success, changing the trajectory of their lives in positive ways. We achieve our mission through a commitment to measure and be responsible for specific youth outcomes focused on educational achievement, risk avoidance and life skills.

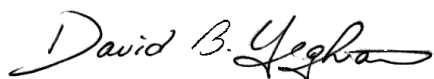
By working collaboratively with parents, children, donors, volunteers, mentors and community partners; we share accountability for the children we serve and for the positive outcomes we work to achieve.

How are we doing? Below are results from our Youth Outcome Survey, which measures the entire match relationship on three areas: (a) Life Skills, (b) Risk Avoidance and (c) Education.

- 57% improvement in Educational Expectations
- 72% improvement in feeling of Social Acceptance
- 43% improvement in both Finish High School and Go To College
- 43% improvement in Grades and Parental Trust

We're doing great... thanks to our amazing mentors, youth, donors and staff. We're in the process of creating our 2011 Strategic Plan and will communicate that in early 2011. We're also seeking new methods of communication – one being short video messages. Thanks to you, we have accomplished a great deal in 2010 and will continue to build on our successes in 2011 and beyond.

I'd like to thank Elizabeth Sengkhamee for serving on our Board this year, representing all mentors. Ben Coleates will serve on the Board in 2011 and represent all mentors. As always, contact me anytime at davidy@bbbsnew.org to provide your thoughts/feedback to continually improve our organization. Have a wonderful holiday season!



Youth Impact

Youth Impact (Performance Measures)

Community-Based Program

- **Match Length** = 27 months (19% longer than the national average... 2010 goal = 26.5 months)
- **Youth Served** = 265
- **Average 1-to-1 hours annually with youth**
= 165 hours

Site-Based Program

- **Match Length** = 14.2 months (18% longer than the national average... 2010 goal = 10.0 months)
- **Youth Served** = 140
- **Average 1-to-1 hours annually with youth**
= 55 hours

The quality of our matches continues to far exceed the rest of the U.S.

Volunteer Event Committee

Big Brothers Big Sisters is seeking additional Volunteer Event Committee members for 2011.

We are looking to collaborate with our current mentors to make a larger impact on the lives of youth.

This committee would consist of quarterly meetings to discuss:

- Bowl for Kids' Sake
- Feedback of match activities
- Gaining volunteers for events like "Roundy's Tent"

Join us on **Wednesday, January 19 from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.** to learn more about the committee. Please contact Sara at sarak@bbbsnew.org if you plan on attending the meeting to learn more.

Site-Based Corner

We would like to encourage our Site-Based matches to send something to your mentor/youth during the Winter Break! It is important to stay connected while you are not seeing each other, so sending and receiving something personal (note, card, etc.) from your mentor/youth can help you do just that!

Remember, Site-Based matches do not exchange contact information. Therefore, you can email or mail your holiday card, letter, drawing, or photo to our office and we will forward it to your mentor/youth.

Email: Stacieb@bbbsnew.org

Mail: 1345 W. Mason St. Suite 210, Green Bay, WI 54303

Congratulations, Matches of the Month!

Our Outstanding Matches of the Month are Sponsored By **Chuck E. Cheese's, Arby's & Happy Joe's**

If you are chosen as an outstanding Match of the Month, you can choose from the following: 1 small pizza, 2 medium soft drinks and 10 tokens at Chuck E. Cheese's; 4 Regular Roast Beef Sandwiches at Arby's; or 1 medium pizza, 2 sodas, 2 ice cream cones, and game tokens from Happy Joe's. There are no substitutions as this is a donation to the agency.

December Match of the Month

Mentor's Name: Jamel Schiller **Youth's Name:** Breanna
How long have you been matched? One Year



Tell us about your picture:

We chose this particular picture because we not only had a great time at the Big Brothers Big Sisters Halloween Party, but we also spent the week before the party getting our costume pieces so we matched! It was fun to coordinate what we were going to do for makeup and even painted our fingernails the same color!

What are your favorite activities to do with each other?

It seems like every week we come up with something new to do! We have done a lot of exciting things together, most of which neither one has ever done before! We volunteered for the Packers 5k Run and the Humane Society's Pet Walk, participated in the Bunny Hop at the N.E.W. Zoo, sewn a stuffed animal, and painted pottery at Paint Pottery and Beadit just to name a few. But our most memorable activities have been going to the Tundra Lodge for the day.

Tell us about a funny moment you shared together.

Our funniest moment was the result of a huge disaster! We decided it would be fun to make some silly putty or slime, so Jamel found what looked to be a good recipe for slime on the internet – but it wasn't! By the time we were finished we had blue, pink, yellow and green all over the kitchen and our hands. We couldn't stop laughing and we never did get it to turn out like it should, but it goes to show that even a failed activity can be a fun one.

January Match of the Month



Mentor's Name: Sami Bouressa **Youth's Name:** Tanya
How long have you been matched? One year

What are your favorite activities to do with each other?

We have gone to movies, Wildlife Sanctuary, Bay Beach, mini golfing and swimming at Fisk Park; but our favorite activity is bowling. We go bowling once a month and we are both getting so good we break 100 without even putting the bumpers up!

We like to do holiday activities like carving pumpkins, frosting Christmas cookies and making Valentine's for our friends and family. We also like spending time at my house where we have a nice homemade dinner with my family and afterwards we do stuff like paint our nails, play Uno, walk my dogs or just relax and watch the Disney Channel.

We also like going to go to Paint Pottery & Beadit in De Pere where you pick out a piece of pottery to paint like a dog or mermaid. They cook it in a kiln so the paint becomes shiny and permanent and then it's ready to pick up in a week. This is fun for a rainy day or a gift for someone you love.

Tell us about a funny moment you shared together.

A funny moment just happened two weeks ago when we visited the Wildlife Sanctuary. While walking around the bird exhibit outside, we noticed a small hawk perched on a branch and it looked like his friend had died and was rotting away on the branch beside him. It was pretty gross so we thought we should let the staff know that one of their birds had died. The worker followed us back out to the exhibit where he politely let us know that the dead bird was actually a chicken for the tiny hawk to eat! We both felt pretty silly afterwards so we treated ourselves to some frosty from Wendy's!

Site-Based Match of the Month



Mentor's Name: Tina Jacqmin
Youth's Name: Demi
How long have you been matched? One year

What are your favorite activities to do with each other? Our favorite activities

are arts and crafts, word puzzles, sports and talking about school. We have so much to talk about each week that sometimes we can barely finish lunch. We have also played computer games and built houses with index cards (not as easy as it sounds). We also have serious talks about homework and being responsible.

Tell us about a funny moment you shared together.

One day while looking for something new to do we discovered that the gym at Valley View was free. We found a volleyball and decided to play. Let's just say that Demi is a much better athlete than me.

What is something that you have in common?

Our cats – we discovered very early that our cats do a lot of same silly things. They both want to eat all the time, sleep where they want and just boss us around. They also know how to be very cute and get what they want. Demi's cat, Magic likes to wander outside but always comes home.

Any thing else?

I am very proud of Demi. She has so much energy and is so enthusiastic about school. This year she is involved in 3 or 4 extra curricular activities. She was selected for Quiz Bowl – which means that her teacher's recognize her as a good student. She has been selected for Safety Patrol and Kid Reps – which means that she is viewed as very responsible. She is just awesome!!!

"Tina is just so Awesome!! She is the best mentor ever!!"

Holiday Office Hours

Our office will be closed the following days for the holidays:

Christmas: December 24 & 27
New Years: December 30 & 31

If you should need assistance on those days, you can call the office (920-498-2227) and be transferred to one of our emergency numbers.



Taste of the Town

More than 600 guests gathered at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center for the 18th Annual Taste of the Town on November 5.

The evening began with the Premier Chef Showdown sponsored by American Foods Group. The exclusive pre-event, limited to 200 guests, was sold out. The competition featured chefs Larry London from Big Tomatoes and L.J. Weber from Plae Bistro. They were given 45 minutes to prepare a beef dish for the audience. Guests sampled the chefs' creations and cast their vote for their favorite. Chef L.J. Weber defeated four-time champ Chef Larry London.

The main event featured 16 booths staffed by "Celebrity Chefs" serving unique and delicious dishes prepared and donated by local caterers, a live and silent auction and a Spirits Raffle.

Youth Andrew spoke to the crowd on how his mentor Lisa has impacted his life. After Andrew spoke, members of the audience donated money so more youth can be matched to mentors. Because Andrew was such a great speaker, he raised more than \$5,000 for Big Brothers Big Sisters. Way to go Andrew!

Big Brothers Big Sisters extends a huge thank you to our Sponsors:

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Thank you to our corporate table sponsors; in-kind, auction and raffle prize donors; everyone who attended the event; and our volunteers.

Mark your calendar for next year's event:
Friday, November 4, 2011

Happy Anniversary!

7 Years

Kristen Lindbloom & Alyssa

6 Years

DeLisse Brunette & Abigale

Steven Smith & Jesse

Michelle Verhagen & Hannah

5 Years

Kimberly Shukosky & Jaycie-Ann

4 Years

Scott Denny & Raymond

David Ness & Kevin

Betty Roesch & Krystyna

Liz Sengkhamee & Txi Txi Mee

Amanda Younk & Alejandra

3 Years

Ashley Groskreutz & Sofia

Josh Palubicki & Trey

Dawn Ver Haagh & Jill

2 Years

Ben Coleates & Ivan

Jon DesChane & Zachary

Maggie Eisenman & Tynne

Sherri Freimund & Deliah

Cassie Guelig & Karissa

Justus Hedeem & Taylor

Craig Schmidt & Darwin

Michelle Yaeger & Michalla

Jana Zeige & Shelby

1 Year

Katie Bushman & Brycole

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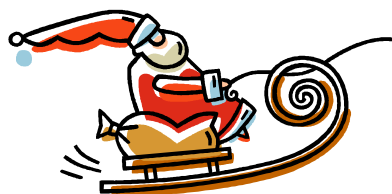
Olivia Poepping & Shannon

Jamel Schiller & Breanna

Emily Spone & Taylor

Jena Stewart & Madeline

Lea Van Rossum & Micaela



New Matches!

Richard Avila & Ryan

Stephanie Baciak & Daniela

Megan Barglind & Angie

Allison Bashor & Jasmine

Melodie Behringer & Pachi

Tess Botsford & Maz

James Brokow & Kiley

Ceanna Caelwaerts & Caleb

Danielle Costello & Amber

Zachary Diestler & Raysean

Jessica Doyle & Katie

Cynthia Frisch & Erin

Carley Hansen & Molly

Nikolas Hansen & Elijah

Tracy Hildner & Ciara

Tori Huss & Leighann

Tyler Krausert & Joseph

Erika Krumrie & Jaiso

Kathryn Jamieson & Summer

Emily Landa & Vicky

Morgan Mckindles & Dakota

Meghan McQuillan & Zachary

Lizzy Meyer & Lauren

Heather Micoley & Kaylee

Anne Myers & Amanda

Jennifer Nooyen & Itzel

Kayla O'Leary & Cyen

Michael Pamperin & Jamel

Emily Patterson & Hanna

Kellie Pexa & Jaslynn

Ellie Rasmussen & Jordyn

Laura Rickert & Cassidy

Don and Brenda Schlumpf & Kameron

Ashtin Schmechel & Makayla

Allie Schmitt & Jenna

Carl Shakal & Christopher

Kari Scharine & Jade

Brianna Simkowski & Sierrah

Rebecca Slick & Lexi

Kelly Smits & Supalak

Stephanie Spang & Maria

Ann Sprenger & Judy

Alexis Streckenbach & Chyanne

Courtney Strom & Bryton

Taylor Tencate & Taylor

Breanna Thompson & Sean

Bob Titus & Eelijah

Bogdan Turcinovic & Jackson

Brigette Tutaj & Kayla

Trisha Van Hecke & Jasmin

Amanda Williams & Leslie

Kelly Wunderlin & Carmen

Zachary Zander & Tevin

Kaycee Ziefle & Jasmine

Activity Ideas

It's that time of year again... cold weather! We know it is a lot harder to find affordable things to do inside now with the weather changing so here are a few ideas shared by other matches.

- Make Holiday cards or paper snowflakes for a nursing home
- Find a fun recipe and cook or bake together
- Volunteer — rake or shovel snow for the elderly or find opportunities at the animal shelters
- Do a jigsaw puzzle
- Start a new hobby — painting building, sewing, poetry
- Start a collection of something you are both interested in like stamps, coins, sports cards, pictures of animals or people who influenced others
- Go to an auto or boat show
- Learn a new craft like origami
- Design paper airplanes
- Make edible play dough or homemade goo
- Try iceskating, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, or sledding

Remember to check www.bbbsnew.org for upcoming Big Brothers Big Sisters activities and the "Good Deals List" for new opportunities too!

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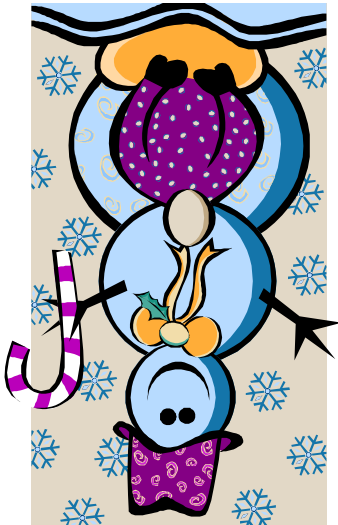
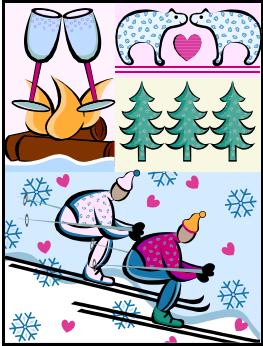
Congratulations to youth Daniela who received \$10,000 in scholarships to attend Ripon College. Mentor Theresa Stinski is very proud.





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