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Newsletter

^ *The events are open to our Bigs, Littles, Bigs for the Day and Board members. They are not open to the general public! Please call our office to inquire how to become involved with our agency.*

Soccer Anyone?

We are very excited to partner with the Columbus Crew and Kohl's Department Store for this event. The Columbus Crew is playing Houston so it will be a great game. This is our first soccer game, so please plan to join us. The agency will cover the entry for the kids. The volunteers can reimburse the agency prior to the game or at the game.

We will need to know the names of the volunteers because all tickets will be picked up at the will call. There will be activities before the game such as Face Painters, Corn-Hole, games, Crew inflatable's and more! This is Faith & Family Night and there will be a Concert by This Beautiful Republic and Pillar after the game. You are welcome to stay for the concert and it is included in the ticket price.

When: Sunday, September 13th

Where: Crew Stadium
Columbus, Ohio

Time: The game starts at 5:00 p.m.

Call in by: No later than September 6th.

We have reserved a section for 50 people and rides may be limited, so call in early! Let's make this a great event for the kids and Kohl's.

Parking is \$7

Ticket price for kids and volunteers is \$14.

The game will be over at 7:00 p.m.

Directions:

From 23/35 -Take route 23 North to 71 North. Take I-71 North (from Cincinnati) through downtown Columbus.

Follow all posted signs to stay on I-71 North. Exit I-71 at the 17th Avenue exit. Turn left at the end of the ramp onto 17th Avenue. Follow signs to Crew Stadium.

From 50 – Take route 62 to Route 35. Take Route 35 to 71 North. Take I-71 North (from Cincinnati) through downtown Columbus. Follow all posted signs to stay on I-71 North. Exit I-71 at the 17th Avenue exit. Turn left at the end of the ramp onto 17th Avenue. Follow signs to Crew Stadium.

Hope to see you at the stadium!

This event is sponsored by Kohl's Department Store!



Thank you!! Thank you!!

The agency would like to thank the following:

- Brenda Bradds for getting us some more free stuff!
- Tammy Russell for staffing our table at Krogers for the Community event.
- T & S Enterprises & Mass Marketing for placing an ad for us on their Ross County Map and on their website.
- Petland for allowing some of our Ready to be Matched kids to participate in their Summer Safari Camp.
- RCI for their recent donation.
- Pat & Al Canarsky for their donation of toothpaste and toothbrushes.
- Bristol Village for allowing us to speak at their Enrichment Hour.
- BS Linda Hull and LS Brittany for speaking at the Bristol Village Enrichment Hour.
- Chillicothe Gazette for their articles on the Golf Tournament, Arby's Promotion and Annual Dinner.
- WKKJ Radio for helping us to promote the Arby's event.
- Michael Brady for buying lunch for everyone who worked at the Arby's Car Wash & Bake Sale.
- Rent A Center for their recent donation.
- Nan Sklenar for her recent donation.
- Walmart Distribution Center in Washington Court House for their recent grant.
- Festival of the Bells Volunteers –BS Cindy Wilson, LS Julia, Brandy Pitzer and Tonya Askren.
- Chillicothe Kiwanis and Joyce Atwood for allowing us to speak to their group.
- Jan Detty for her donation for school supplies
- Dick & Laura Whinery for their donation of a book bag, a duffle bag, household items and a laptop computer.
- Arby's Restaurant in Chillicothe for hosting a bake sale and car wash in conjunction with their donation card promotion.
- The following volunteers for helping with the Bake Sale and Car Wash at Arby's: Karen Saxton, Teresa Shisler, Tammy Russell, Robin Holland, Nan Sklenar, Wayne Holland, Daphna Reiner and LS Angel, Michael Brady, Grace and Morgan Brady, LB John and LS Madison, LS Jade and LB Josh, Kim Holbert, Chuck Sollars, Charity and Caitlyn Wheeler, Randy, Carla and all of the Arby's staff! Even though it rained on our car wash, we still had fun!

Calendar of Events

Family Fun Fest – September 12th
Columbus Crew Game – September 13th
Pancake Breakfast – Portsmouth – October 3rd
October Event – To Be Announced
Thanksgiving Breakfast – November 7th
Christmas Party – To Be Determined

Annual Dinner Thank You's

Our Annual Dinner was a great evening filled with wonderful stories about our kids and volunteers. It was a special night thanks to the contributions of many people. Thanks to the following for a great evening:

- ▲ Dan Ramey for being our Master of Ceremonies.
- ▲ Deb Main for designing the invitations.
- ▲ Robin Holland for doing the decorations.
- ▲ Michael Brady and Pepsi for the donation of soft drinks and water.
- ▲ Dane & Old Canal Smoke House for catering the event.
- ▲ PACCAR Medical Education Center for allowing us to use their facility.
- ▲ Jessica McComis for putting together our slide show.
- ▲ Cheryl Barlage and Jennifer and Brianna Mark for the delicious desserts.

Congratulations to our Special Award Winners:

- ▲ Tim Gray –Lifetime Achievement Award
- ▲ Jeanette Morris –Board Member of the Year
- ▲ Wayne Holland - King Pin Award for BFKS
- ▲ Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar–Corporate Partner of the Year

Golf Tournament a Huge Success

We would like to thank Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar for sponsoring the Golf Tournament. They planned and organized a great event and donated all the proceeds to our agency. Thanks to their efforts, they made a donation of \$6,500 to our agency. We had 34 teams participate and it was a great day. Everyone had fun and we are hoping they will do the event again next year.

We would like to thank Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar owners – Beth & Bob Sparks, General Manager, Carl Myers and our special guest – Mrs. Ellen Tressel.

We would also like to thank our Hole Sponsors:

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Our Tournament Volunteers:

Judy Horsley
Karen McDonald-Myers
Wayne Holland
Nan Sklenar
Ronde Cook-Brushart
Teresa Graham
Christy Schreick
Sue Sullivan
Dennis Bothel
Linda Miller
Jeanette Morris
Kim Holbert
John Cox
Robin Holland

Match of the Month

June 3rd, 2004 became a very important date for 3 people. Five years ago a lady called me because she needed someone for her son to teach him guy things, play sports with him and just talk to him about anything he needed to. Five years ago, I met a soon to be teenager that was shy, would turn red in the face when you talked to him, loved sports and needed someone to crack him out of his shell. Five years ago I met a man who wanted to return the favor. He once had a Big Brother and he wanted to bring that positive experience to a child. He also liked sports, was very outgoing and eager to share his knowledge and friendship. In 5 years these 3 people got exactly what they wanted and then some. Eli's mom, Joann, got a Big Brother for her son that has taught him some guy things, played sports with him, talked to him about anything, and molded him to become a wonderful young man. Eli isn't really shy anymore, has stopped turning red when you talk to him, well almost, he came out of his shell more, and had someone to play sports with him and helped him gain a new one called golf. Russ did a great job returning the favor. He definitely has been a great influence and has shared his knowledge and friendship above and beyond what was expected. Russ and Eli have never missed a BFKS event and Russ even had a golf team at the Golf Event. Their match is coming to an end, but their friendship will always continue. Eli will be attending Marshal in the fall, studying pre law, nothing like falling in his Big Brothers footprints. And with a little arm-twisting I might be able to get Russ to take on another Little Brother. I also wanted just to thank Russ for being a Big Brother and being my first Big Brothers in Scioto County and Eli for becoming a great young man. Congratulations to the both of you.

New Matches

BS Heather J. & LS Destiny D. (7/20/09)
BS Lori M. & LS Kindra H. (7/21/09)

Anniversaries

BB Jeff G. & LB Raymond P. (1 year)
BB Michael L. & LB Trystin D. (2 years)

Tidbits

- ◆ Congratulations to JC H. for placing 2nd & 4th with his 4-H pig at the Fayette County Fair. Way to go, JC!
- ◆ Congratulations to Christian H. for placing 9th with her 4-H pig at the Fayette County Fair. Way to go, Christian!



BIRTHDAYS

July

02 —LS —Shakeita G.
02 —LS —Shakeena G.
03 —LB —Harley D.
06 - LB —Michael C.
06 - LB —Wyatt E.
06 - BB —Michael S.
06 - BS —Dafna R.
07 —LB —Nick E.
09 —BS —Amy R.
10 —BB —Michael H.
10 —BS —Alicia H.
10 —LS —Klarrisa G.
11 —LB —Hunter P.
13 —LB —AJ H.
13 - LB —Josef C.
14 —LB —Ken S.
18 —BB —Edmund S.
21 - LB —James G.
21 —LB —Tyler S.
21 —LB —Travis S.
21 —BS —Danielle G.
24 —BS —Vera R.
25 —LB —Cameron N.
27 —LS —Dallas R.
27 —BB —Bill T.
29 - LB —Chris V.
30 —LB —Brice S.
30 - LB —Robert L.
31 —LB —Terence W.



August

02 —LS —Bryanna N.
03 —LB —Eric E.
06 —LB —Isaac L.
07 —LB —Justin C.
08 - LB —Josh T.
08 - LB —Jerrod T.
08 —LB —David W.
08 —BS —Brenda B.
12 —LB —Michael G.
13 —LB —Ashley J.
16 —LB —Eli S.
17 —BB —Mason B.
20 —BB —Neal R.
20 —BB —Marvin G.
23 - LB —Jacob J.
23 - LS —Shianne B.
23 - BS —Michelle H.
24 —LB —Esteben C.
25 —LB —Dustin S.
26 _ LS —Mariah G.
29 - LS —Brittany P.
31 —BB —Wayne H.
31 - LB —Joseph S



Karen's Korner

It's hard to believe that the Summer is almost over – it seems like it just flew by! We have had fun with the kids and it will be time to start our School Based Programs again in September.

With all of the budget cuts from the State and many of our current funders, We will have many challenges in the coming year. We are always looking for businesses, organizations and individuals to partner with in order to help our kids.

Volunteer recruitment remains a top priority for our agency. Given our very limited advertising budget, we are hoping to speak to various clubs and organizations to increase awareness and recruit volunteers. If you know of anyone who would like a speaker, please call our office.

Also, if you have any ideas for event or activities for the kids, please let your caseworker know. We would like to try some new things and would like to know what you would be interest in doing.

Enjoy what's left of the Summer!

**Highland County Family YMCA
Terry Mull, the director of the Highland
County Family YMCA, has generously
offered to allow all Highland County
Littles, Matched and Ready to be
Matched, to use the YMCA free of
charge. If matched, their Big can bring
them with no charge to them as well. If
not matched, their parent or guardian
can accompany them. This is a great
opportunity to take advantage
of a very nice facility at no cost.**

**We appreciate the generosity of Terry
and the staff at the YMCA in Hillsboro.**

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They are not open to the public! Please call our office to inquire how to become involved with our agency.

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Fun for Summer or even a Rainy Day

Water Balloon Catch (All Ages)

This wet and wacky game is as refreshing as a dip in the pool. On a hot day, even if you drop the ball, you're still cool.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Gallon-size milk jugs (one for each player)
- Tape
- Ribbons
- Water balloons

HOW TO PLAY:

1. Create the catchers by cutting the bottom off a gallon-size milk jug (one for each player), taping the cut edges, and decorating with ribbon, as shown.
2. Fill a bunch of water balloons to the size of a grapefruit.
3. See how many times you can toss the balloons without breaking them or how far you can catch and throw them.



Paper Mache Pinata (6 – 12 Year Olds)

Follow these easy papier-mâché directions, then add pizzazz with one of our decorating ideas . Note: Each layer requires approximately 8 hours to dry, so allow about 4 days to finish without rushing. The actual time you'll spend on it each day, though, will probably be only 30 minutes.

What you'll need:

- Inflatable punch balloon, 14 inches in diameter when blown up (available at Target and party stores for about \$1; discard rubber band)
- Masking tape
- 4 to 6 double sheets of newspaper (about 25 by 22 inches each)
- 14 to 16 sheets of letter-size white copy paper or other lightweight white paper
- Ruler
- Papier-mâché paste
- Mixing bowl
- Inexpensive 1 1/2-inch-wide paintbrush (available at craft and hardware stores)
- Approximately 10 feet of lightweight but strong string (we used metallic string for the disco ball)
- Craft knife and scissors

1. Blow up the punch balloon, knot the tail securely, and trim it to about 1 inch. Tape flat the nub on the end opposite the knot, as shown (right).
2. Prepare the paste (above, right) and the paper strips. Since you'll papier-mâché three layers (2 of newspaper and 1 of white copy paper), tear roughly fifty 2- by 11-inch strips for each layer. Newspaper strip shortcut: Fold each sheet in half lengthwise twice. Start at the folded edge and tear 2-inch-wide strips along a ruler. Then tear each strip in half so it's about 11 inches long.
3. Cover your work surface with newspaper or a plastic tablecloth and set the balloon atop a bowl for stability. Next, choose your modus operandi: A) dip each strip into the paste and squeegee off the excess with your fingers, then smooth the strip around the balloon. Or B) the slightly less messy approach shown here: use a paintbrush to cover a large section of the balloon with paste, lay newspaper strips over it, and smooth them down with more paste, then repeat. Either way, apply your first layer horizontally, overlapping the strips slightly to ensure complete coverage, and mâché closely around the knot at the top.
4. Let the first layer dry. For each layer, leave the balloon on the mixing bowl as it dries, but rotate it every so often to expose the entire surface.
5. Attach the hanging loop. Cut the string in half (a parent's job) and save one 5-foot piece for hanging the finished piñata. Tape the middle of the other piece to the end of the balloon opposite the knot. Bring each half of the string up

opposite sides of the balloon and tape the string in place once on each side and then at the top, roughly 1 1/2 inches on each side of the balloon's knot, as shown. Knot the string ends together 6 inches above the balloon and trim if necessary.

6. Apply the second layer of newspaper strips vertically. Mâché over the taped-down string, but leave the loop free. Let this layer dry.
7. For the third layer, apply white copy paper strips horizontally. Mâché closely around where the loop strings emerge. Let this layer dry.
8. Decorate with the following ideas: [Really Big League Baseball](#), [Sparkling Disco Ball](#), and a [Supercool Sun](#).

9. Using a craft knife (a parent's job), cut a candy door (about 3 inches square) between the strings. Carefully cut 3 sides of the square, leaving 1 side uncut for a hinge. Reach in and remove the balloon. Fill the piñata. Next, close the candy door, hang your piñata with the remaining string, and let the party begin!

Step up to the plate! With a swing of the bat, this pinata will deliver a truly sweet home run. Fill the ball with candy, peanuts, and baseball cards and pitch it at a sports party, a summer picnic, or a family reunion. Special effect: slick red plastic tape stitches. Before you start creating this design, please see [our favorite papier-mache recipe](#), and instructions for creating the [core for your pinata](#).

Really Big League Baseball Pinata (6 – 10 Year Olds)

CRAFT MATERIALS:

- Pencil
- Red plastic tape

Time needed: About 2 to 3 Hours

1. Using a pencil, lightly draw a baseball seam pattern on the ball (you may wish to use a real baseball as a model).
2. Cut the tape into 1/4-inch by 1 1/2-inch strips and attach pairs of strips in a V-shaped pattern, as shown.

Balloon Brigade Relay Race (All Ages)

This fast-paced race lets winners go out with a real bang.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Balloons

HOW TO PLAY:

1. Assemble each team in single file with the first player in each line holding a balloon.
2. When the whistle blows, each lead player passes the balloon between her legs to the next person in line. Each recipient, in turn, passes the balloon overhead to the teammate directly behind her.
3. The balloon is passed alternately between players' legs and over players' heads all the way down the line. When the last person receives the balloon, he or she races to the front of the line and the balloon pass resumes.
4. The relay continues in this fashion until one of the original players regains position at the front of her line and pops the team balloon.

All crafts & games from <http://familyfun.go.com>