

Reaching Out

Summer 2009

Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron

Happy Summer Everyone!

Summer is finally here!!! With that, we hope that our matches can get out and enjoy the sunshine!! Please have a look through our summer newsletter to see what is going on. If you would like to participate in any of our events, or are able to volunteer, please give us a call and let us know! You can also check out our upcoming events, on the event calendar on our web-site - www.shbbbs.on.ca

For those of you who had the chance to meet Linda Finkbeiner over the past few months, we must inform you that Linda is longer with our agency. However, Linda will be staying on to volunteer with events. Jim Beckett - former publisher of the Exeter Times Advocate, has taken Linda's position, and will be working with us to run fundraising events, to help us achieve our goal of fundraising and to help get the word out for our great organization! Welcome Jim!

Laurie Mackechnie has left our board of directors. Laurie has been a board member for the past 4 years and has been actively involved with our agency, both as a Big Sister and as an In School Mentor. Laurie will be attending teachers college at Wilfrid Laurier in the fall. Best of luck to Laurie! We will miss your enthusiasm and dedication to our agency!

Amy Schwartztruber - Caseworker

Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron invites you to our 2nd Annual Children's Festival

Saturday July 18th, 2009 - South Huron Agricultural Building
(behind the Exeter Rec Centre)
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Come visit our many activity stations, enjoy lunch, watch our stage shows and
end the day by participating in our talent show
All children will be given 5 tickets. Additional tickets can be purchased for 25¢ each
Visit our web-site at www.shbbbs.on.ca for details

All proceeds from the day's events go towards supporting the programs and services at
Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron

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Summer News

BIGBunch Schedule

BIGBunch is open to all traditional matches, as well as to the children who are waiting for a Big Brothers or Big Sister.

To sign up for these events please contact Amy at 226-268-3871 or by e-mail at cw@shbbbs.on.ca

The schedule for the next 3 months is as follows:



Tuesday July 28, 2009

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Water Night

We will be having an outdoor water night (there may be some water balloons involved!)

We may get wet, so wear your bathing suit!



Thursday August 13, 2009

8:00 am to 7:30 pm

African Lion Safari, Cambridge



We will meet at the office at 8:00 am and head off to the safari. We will have a picnic lunch (provided by the agency) and stop for dinner on the way home. We will be back to the office for 7:30 pm.

Bring your bathing suit and towel incase you want to play in the splash pad.

We have enough room on our bus for 20 individuals to come. Please register early - spaces are limited!

www.lionsafari.com



Tuesday August 25, 2009

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Hawaiian Luau

Come on out, try to see if you can make it under the limbo stick, see how well you can hula hoop, have some Hawaiian treats and listen to the music.

Wear bright colours!!!



Thursday September 10, 2009

5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Canoeing at the Pinery

We will be going to the Pinery Provincial Park to canoe! Bring a dry shirt ... just incase

Tuesday September 22, 009

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

We will be participating in the TD Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup

This is a Canada Wide event to help remove litter from along Canadian rivers, streams, lakes and wetlands.

From 6:15 pm to 7:45 pm we will be cleaning up the shores of the Grand Bend Beach.



Tim Horton's Free Swim

Exeter Swimming Pool

July 14 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
July 21 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
July 28 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
August 4 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
August 11 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
August 18 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
August 25 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Kirkton-Woodham Swimming Pool

July 14 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
July 21 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
July 28 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
August 4 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
August 11 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
August 18 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
August 25 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Pyramid Recreation Centre (St. Mary's)

July 25 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm



**South Huron Trail Run
Runpiker Series 2009**



In Support of Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron

Sunday, August 9, 2009 - MacNaughton Morrison Trail

Start time: 9:00 a.m. for the 2km fun run, 9:30 am for the 8km run



Entry Fees

8 km trail run - \$20.00 (early bird entry) \$25.00 (after July 31st)

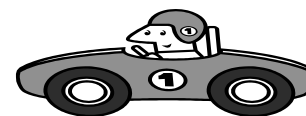
2 km fun run - \$15.00 (early bird rate) \$20.00 (after July 31st)

Approximately 25 volunteers are required to help with this event (registration, handing out water, directing racers/cheering them on, road crossing, helping to set up/take down)

Registration forms are available at the ABCA, the BBBSSH office or Runner's Choice on Dundas St. London

For more information visit www.shbbbs.on.ca and click on 'South Huron Trail Run'

Soap Box Derby



On Saturday September 19th, we will be working with the Dashwood and Area Optimist Club and Community Living South Huron to put on a Soap Box Derby. Bigs and Littles - this would be a fun summer time activity to work on together.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron will provide you with the start up kit. If you are interested in building a soap box to enter into the derby, please contact the office for a registration package.



We are excited to announce that starting October 2009 we will be starting up a new program 'Go Girls!'

We will be running this program with the Grand Bend Youth Centre.

This program is a group program, for girls aged 12 to 13.

We will assist the young girls involved in this program to make informed choices about healthy, active living. We will address such topics as physical activity participation, healthy eating choices, self-image and relationships.

This group will run for 8 weeks, starting in October (date to be determined). Each session will run for 1 hour.

This group will be held at the Grand Bend Youth Centre.

There are enough spaces for 16 girls to participate.

If you are interested in joining this group, or know of a child who would benefit (you do not have to be a member of Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron to participate), please contact the agency for more information and to register.

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We have been given passes to the Canadian Motosport Racing for the 2009 Season. These races take place in Grand Bend and Walton. If you are interested in free passes, please contact the office.



For more information on the Canadian Motosport Racing, visit their web-site at www.cmrcatv.com

Welcome On Board

Skyler S. - Little Brother
Krista M. - Big Sister
Krystal S. - Big Sister
Sommer E. - Little Sister
Brodie E. - Little Brother
Miranda O. - Little Sister
Deanne C. - Big Sister
Lindsay H. - Big Sister
Jacob F. - Little Brother
Travis S. - Little Brother

Recent Matches

Katelyn F./Steff C.
Krista M./Miranda O.
Marlene D./Sarah I.
Evelyn V./Alyssa S.

Congratulations to our Big Sisters who have recently gotten married

Mary Gregus and Nick Haberer
May 9, 2009

Melissa Maseo and Jason Towers
July 3, 2009



Congratulations and Best Wishes!!

Little's Birthdays

July - Sommer E., Max W.

August - Jesse K., Dean S., Miranda O.

September - Jacob F., Dustin M., Travis S., Tyler G.

Big's Birthdays

July - Mark R., Laurie M., Jessica J., Terri B.

August - Mary H., Doris O., Mike P.

September - Kerri F., Kelli B., Katelyn F.,
Marlene D., Krystal S.

Happy Birthday from Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron!!!



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Why join the Alumni?

- ☺ Stay connected and stay informed.
- ☺ Listen to stories from across Canada from former Littles and Bigs
- ☺ Learn about events and activities that concern you

Visit www.bbbsc.ca and Click Alumni—Join today!

Do you have E-mail? In an effort to cut down on administrative costs, we are trying to e-mail as much as possible. If you have an e-mail address, and we do not have it at the office, please send me a quick message to cw@shbbbs.on.ca

The agency also has a Facebook group. Look us up under 'Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron'

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