

FROM THE DESK OF KURT SATERBAK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The leaves are almost all down and our gardens have run their courses for the year. Sane people have traded their shorts for fleece loungers, it is officially Fall in Wisconsin and a time of transition. In the morning there may be frost on your car and in the afternoon you are boiling hot. I can still hear my Mom telling me to wear layers during this time of year.

At BBBS of South Central Wisconsin, we are also in transition. We have spent the past year working our way out of the pandemic and its effect on our programs. As we enter the Fall and move toward 2023, we are in a great place to transition to our next chapter.

With that being said, I would like to introduce our newest team members, Nadine Seitz our Events and Marketing Director and Abigail Gomez, Bilingual Enrollment Specialist. You will get a chance to learn more about them further in this newsletter. Another transition that is happening is the launch of a program that matches high school students as mentors with students in elementary and middle school. Our first partnership is with the Milton School District, where we recently recruited, interviewed, trained and matched students from Milton High School with children at Milton Middle School. We are also matching high school students with children at the intermediate and elementary schools in the district as well. We are continuing our communitywide events that serve Bigs and their families, Littles and their families, and children waiting to be matched and their families. We are hosting these events throughout our service area and invite all families to each of them.

None of this would be possible without the generous support of our donors and volunteers. If you are one of our partners through giving of your time or treasure, thank you! If you would like to help out at an upcoming event, we would love to add you to our team.

Fall inevitably turns into winter. But winter brings the new year! In all that you do, we wish you a wonderful season of transition and hope your holidays are full of love!

Sincerely,

Kurt Saterbak

WELCOME TO THE BBBSSCW TEAM!



Nadine Seitz, Events & Marketing Director with over 25 years of experience as an Executive Administrative, Marketing Professional.

Nadine brings with her a positive can-do attitude, willingness to learn and most important her passion for Big Brothers Big Sisters. She served on our Board for a term and was a Big Sister within our program. Nadine and her husband reside in Walworth County and raised two beautiful daughters who became amazing young women and nurses. She enjoys spending time with family, nature and gardening, playing golf with her husband and yoga.



Abigail Gomez, Bilingual Enrollment and Matching Specialist with over 8 eight years of experience working in different roles such as Administrative Assistant, Multicultural Advocate, Shelter Case Manager, and Child Protective Services Case Manager.

Abigail brings a joyful, positive attitude and willingness to adapt to the passion and mission of Big Brother Big Sisters. Abigail resides in Walworth County with her family, loving partner and fur-baby. Abigail enjoys outdoor scenery, cooking, spending time with positive energy, and is an advocate of self-care treatment and taking care of oneself emotionally, physically, mentally, and spiritually.



WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER!

We couldn't wait to get together for our first TEAM meeting in September. To talk about what we have done, what we are doing now and get INSPIRED of what's to come.

STATE CONFERENCE IN STEVENS POINT

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Our entire staff attended the BBBS State Conference October 13, 2022. The day was filled with break-out sessions followed by lunch & networking.

''We are **BIGGER** Together."



Karen, Abigail and Jessi attended the Involvement Fair at University of Wisconsin - Whitewater. Our TEAM is always trying to find resources and places to get involved on campus and in the community We had 44 students interested and currently 10 are in the application process.



We had a wonderful time with some of our Bigs & Littles at Kishwauketoe Nature Center, Williams Bay, WI. From all the SMILES, I think you could tell we had a GREAT day COMMUNITY fishing and hiking.



Our team distributed 450 tumblers to 77 schools in September. Establishing connections with new staff and connecting with existing as we prepared for Back to School Days.

UPCOMING Events



December 2022

BBBS - CMN Movie Night at Towne Cinema in Watertown Tuesday, December 6, 2022 Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Buffet starts at 6:00 p.m. Raffles, Auction, 50/50 and more... To reserve your tickets, please visit: <u>TICKETS</u>

Santa Cause Tree Festival This event runs from November 25 - December 30, 2022 Click here for more info: <u>More info</u>



YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE...



Our donors are active members of our organization. Charitable contributions fund 100% of our operations! Through your generosity, we are able to:

- Recruit, Interview, Background Check and Place one Mentor with one Child \$2,000
- Support one match for one year \$1,000
- Provide one agency-wide community event \$500
- Provide one month of rent for all three offices \$750
- Support an after school program with High School Bigs (10 matches) for one year \$10,000



To create and support one-to-one mentoring relationships that IGNITE the power and promise of youth.

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Tips and insights from our Enrollment and Match Support TEAM

CHECK OUT THESE GREAT RESOURCES FOR FREE AND BUDGET FRIENDLY THINGS TO DO WITH YOUR LITTLES OR FAMILY...

WALWORTH COUNTY:

- Aram Public Library, Delavan 262-728-3111, Contact the library to learn about getting a Museum Adventure Pass to museums in the Chicago/Milwaukee areas.
- Grand Geneva Resort Christmas Lights, November 20 Illumination Ceremony More info
- Winterfest in Lake Geneva <u>Click here</u>
- Visit Lake Geneva <u>Click here</u>
- Elkhorn Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourist Center Click here
- Delavan Delavan Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce <u>Click here</u>
- Elkhorn Park & Rec <u>Click here</u>
- Whitewater Parks <u>Click here</u>

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- Beaver Dam Chamber of Commerce <u>Click here</u>
- Watertown Area Chamber of Commerce Click here
- Juneau Chamber of Commerce <u>Click here</u>
- Mayville Area Chamber of Commerce <u>Click here</u>
- Watertown Park & Rec <u>Click here</u>

ROCK COUNTY:

- Milton Area Chamber of Commerce <u>Click here</u>
- Janesville Community Events <u>Click here</u>
- Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce <u>Click here</u>

Tip from Karen Medema, Community Based Program Coordinator -"Check with your local libraries for their upcoming events."



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