



"5 K FOR KIDS"

"5K Run/Walk for Kids' Sake"

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On Saturday, July 16th, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Decatur County held their First Annual "5K Run/Walk for Kids' Sake. A total of 69 runners and walkers were registered with 65 actually participating.

Participants ranged in age from 7 to 85 and completed the course in 18:24 minutes to 52:02 minutes.

The success of the day would not be possible without the help of many people. The committee was headed by co-chairs, **Matt Miller and Matthew Gauck**. They were assisted by BBBS director, **Bev Karazsia**, and committee members: **Barbie Brown, Peggy Dudley, Brad Green, Lisa Hermes, Julia Johnson, Jackie Mellis, Susan Moore, Julie Reed, and Donna Tewmey**.

Many family members, friends, and BBBS Board Members and Matches also provided much appreciated help for the day.

A Huge Thank You also goes to:

T-SHIRT SPONSORS:

Brown's Service Station;

Dogs All Day;

Gauck Chiropractic;

Greensburg/Decatur County Department of Tourism;

HOP Communications;

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Summit Microsystems, Inc.;

Volk Farms;

Watson Chiropractic Center;

Wickens & Wickens, Attorneys at Law; and

Wickens Insurance.

WATER AND FOOD DONORS

Water for the runners and walkers was donated by **Coke;**

Cookies and Fruit were donated by **Marsh and Wal-Mart.**

Thank You to **Greensburg High School** for the use of the Field house and equipment.

Thank You to the **Decatur County Highway Dept.** for the use of cones to mark the course.

Thank you to **all who participated**, and to those who **donated items for the "Goodie Bags"** which were distributed to the participants.

Also, thank you to **WTRE and the Greensburg Daily News** for publicity of the event.

As we've said many times, Decatur County is a wonderful caring community and the support of this event proves it again.

THANK YOU DECATUR COUNTY!

AND * * * THE WINNERS ARE * * *

Most importantly, the winners of the day are the youth in the Big Brothers Big Sisters programs. The money raised from this event will go to support the programs for the kids. Some examples of ways the money will be used are: purchasing supplies needed to make the matches, purchasing equipment used in the BBBS office, providing transportation for youth when needed to go to camps, and/or to purchase games and supplies for the AIM Lunchtime program. The list could go on and on, but this is at least a small example of our expenses.

The 5K participants who were winners for the day are:

Age 10 & Under:

1st Female Walker—Alaina Nobbe
2nd Female Walker—Sophie Taylor
3rd Female Walker—Jessica Williams
1st Male Walker—Quinn Rasnick
1st Male Runner—Aaron Cupp

Age 11 -14:

1st Female Walker—Abby Bokelman
2nd Female Walker—Emma Taylor
1st Male Walker—Travis Nobbe
1st Female Runner—Mandy Hasselbring
2nd Female Runner—Sydney Olszewski
1st Male Runner—Jared Hasselbring

Age 15—19:

1st Female Walker—Emily Land
1st Female Runner—Ericka Carman
2nd Female Runner—Erin Hamilton
1st Male Runner—Colin Evans

Age 20—24:

1st Female Walker—Alicia Batta
1st Female Runner—Kelsey Ewing

Age 25 -29:

1st Male Runner—Isaac Janson
2nd Male Runner—Darren Covington
1st Female Walker—Staci Schutte
2nd Female Walker—Cindy Stoffel
3rd Female Walker—Amy Frazer

Age 30—34:

1st Female Walker—Connie Million
1st Male Runner—Joe Million
2nd Male Runner—Matthew Kuntz
3rd Male Runner—Kenneth Sebastian

Age 35—39:

1st Female Walker—Jennifer Nobbe
2nd Female Walker—Jennifer Fletcher
1st Female Runner—Tricia Cupp
1st Male Runner—Matt Miller
2nd Male Runner—Robert Pumphrey

Age 40—44:

1st Female Walker—Lora Williams
1st Male Walker—Brian Nobbe
1st Female Runner—Dana Huber
2nd Female Runner—Mary Moore

Age 45—49:

1st Female Walker—Nancy Buening
2nd Female Walker—Marjean Welch
3rd Female Walker—Cindy Hermesesch
1st Female Runner—Susy Patti
1st Male Runner—Charles Alfrey
2nd Male Runner—Mike Laing
3rd Male Runner—Darren Evans

Age 50—54:

1st Female Walker—Carol Bishop
2nd Female Walker—Kay Nobbe

3rd Female Walker—Kathy Land
1st Male Walker—Tim Fischer
2nd Male Walker—Rick Nobbe
1st Female Runner—Carol Luker

Age 55—59:

1st Female Walker—Mary McCullough
1st Male Walker—Ken Ewing

Age 60—64:

1st Male Runner—Dale Gauck

Age 65—69:

1st Male Runner—John Derheimer
2nd Male Runner—Max Hufferd

Age 70—74:

1st Female Walker—Diane Fry

Age 75 & Older:

1st Male Walker—Ralph Hermesesch

Overall First Place Runners:

Female: Kelsey Ewing

Male: Matt Miller

Congratulations to all and thank you for your participation and support of Big Brothers Big Sisters.





Friends walking together



The young had fun . . .



Congratulations to another winner



Family Bonding



More smiles



Some of the young ones got a ride

Yes, we had a great time!

Great help from the support staff! They had a great time too.



And your time is



My shoes are pretty too!

Please keep the BBBS "5K Run/Walk for Kids' Sake" in mind for next year. Come join us for a fun filled morning and help show the youth of Decatur County some of the benefits of physical activity.

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Big Brothers Big Sisters of Decatur County has been serving youth in Decatur County for over 25 years. What began as a small agency with one program and only 2 Matches has grown to include 4 programs and over 200 matches. As the agency has grown, so has the need for more and more mentors. If you would like to spend time with a child and make a difference in the life of a child please contact Big Brothers Big Sisters today. In addition to needing more mentors, our financial needs have grown as well. Please consider a tax deductible tax donation to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Decatur County. You can also support our fundraising efforts such as the "5K for Kids' Sake" or the annual "Bowl For Kids' Sake" which is held in March. You can also drop coins in one of the many wishing wells placed in local restaurants or donate your used ink jet cartridges for us to recycle.

HELP NEEDED!! BECOME A MENTOR TODAY!

With school starting this week, the **AIM/High Five Lunchtime program will be starting soon**. PLEASE BECOME A LUNCHTIME MENTOR AND PASS THE WORD TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY YOU THINK WOULD ENJOY MENTORING.

After completing an application and attending an orientation session, **all you have to do is meet at one of the local elementary schools during your lunch time to eat lunch with a student one day each week**. In addition to eating lunch together, you will have the opportunity to play a game, provide homework and class room encouragement, and just develop a friendship with a child. Often times, that child does not have someone to share either their good news or dis-

appointing times. Knowing that they have a special "Lunch Buddy" each week gives the students something to look forward to.

If you are concerned about what to do while you are meeting with your "Lunch Buddy", a Big Brothers Big Sisters staff member is at the school on AIM days to answer questions or address concerns.

As stated previously, we desperately need lunch time mentors. With teachers referring more and more students we are having a difficult time matching them all. While we do have a waiting list, the children are still disappointed when their friends have lunch buddies and they don't.

Our goal is to match all 200 youth so we don't disappoint any of the children by placing them on a waiting list. **Please help us achieve our goal!**

AIM/High Five meets at the following schools on the days listed:

Greensburg Elem.—Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays;

St. Mary's School—Tuesdays;

Greensburg Jr. High—Wednesdays;

South Decatur Elem—Wednesdays;

North Decatur Elem—Thursdays.

Please contact BBBS today to become an AIM mentor for a child this school year!