



# Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rockland County



## SPECIAL THANKS FOR NOV-DEC:

- Advocates Against Cyber-bullying
- Art Auction Volunteers
- Anonymous Donor of Holiday Party Raffle
- Capital One Bank
- Crowne Plaza, Suffern
- Daniel Caprara
- Dave & Busters
- Hudson Valley National Foundation
- Independent Insurance Agents
- Jene Luciani
- Key Bank of New City
- Keller Williams of New City
- New City Rotary
- Rent-A-Center of Haverstraw
- Zinburger's Wine & Burger Bar

### Upcoming Events

December, 13th  
7pm Art for Kids' Sake  
Art Auction Fundraiser



December 14th  
12pm-3pm  
Bigs and Littles Holiday  
Party, Dave and Busters,  
Palisades Mall

JANUARY  
NATIONAL  
MENTORING MONTH



## Big Makes History Come Alive

This Fall, Big Brother Ryan and Little Brother Sincere, decided to take on an historical journey for several day trips. Sincere has always had a love for history. Ryan works in the educational field. Before each outing Sincere checked out books on the site they were visiting. On the day trip to each site, Sincere and Ryan would discuss its history. These long car rides make for great conversation between a Little and his/her Big.

According to Big Brother Ryan, "I have learned so much more myself by going to these sites with Sincere. I am impressed with Sincere's passion to learn and look forward to many more interesting outings with him. I am not sure if we can top what we have done, but I hope to try."

The two have visited Philadelphia to see Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, Betsy Ross's house, and even Geno's Cheese Steaks. In Boston they walked the Freedom Trail, stood where the Boston Massacre took place, walked past Paul Revere's house and visited his burial place.



Little Brother Sincere and Big Brother Ryan stand in front of Ben Franklin's Statue



Little Brother Sincere stands in front of burial marker of Paul Revere



Little Brother Sincere & Big Brother Ryan stand in front of Paul Revere's statue and the North End Church



Big & Little visit Geno's Cheese Steaks in Philly

## Cyber-bullying Prevention Program

On Tuesday, November 19th, Keller Williams of New City sponsored a Cyber-bullying Prevention Program at the BBBS Juvenile Mentoring Program held at the Village of Haverstraw Community Center. The program consisted of three sessions addressing bullying and cyber-bullying. The presenters focused on the Bully, the Victim, and the Bystander. The speakers, Denise Weiss, Esq., Tammy W. Schwartz, Esq. and Lorri Eskenazi of Advocates Against Cyber-bullying together with 15 year old, Hallie Weiss used a

practical approach to understanding and dealing with Bullying in general and Cyber-bullying specifically. Through an interactive approach the presenters provided the group with activities to teach students about bullying. Director of Jump, Carleen Hobbs, stated that the participating youth really enjoyed the presentation and gained knowledge and information on how their actions on the internet and in the "schoolyard" can affect others.

