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OUR BIG MOVE



It's official, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bermuda has officially moved from 12 Wesley Street to our new home in the Outerbridge Building on 75 Pitts Bay Road!!! We are located on the 2nd floor above Bouchee Restaurant. Thank you to the men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity for donating their manpower to get the job done quickly and efficiently! We would also like to send a special shout out to MB Trucking & Moving, Q's Quick Change and Maintenance, and A - Z Trucking for donating their time, services and expertise to ensure things were moved and transported safely! We appreciate you so much!!

We would also like to thank Argus Bermuda for housing us for the last 7 years! We are truly grateful.

LET'S GO FLY A KITE!

At least once a year, we hear the buzzing of kites above us. But do you know how much preparation goes into actually making a kite and all the materials that are required?!

Thanks to The Phoenix Stores Ltd. and Chubb Limited, on Saturday, March 20th we were able to provide the BBBS Family with ALL the materials needed while remaining socially distant! From Kite sticks to Tissue paper and everything in between! They drove around the Chubb round-a-bout, collected their items, and left fully equipped to get started!



On Good Friday it is a Bermuda Tradition to eat fishcakes and hot cross buns but most importantly, make the biggest Hummer Kite, put it up in the air and 'Soak it!' Due to the pandemic, our traditional BBBS Kite Day had to be cancelled so our events team had to think "outside of the box". We did not want the BBBS Family to miss out on an awesome Kite Making experience. On Thursday, March 25th BBBS hosted a FREE Virtual Kite Making Zoom session with the Kite Master, Mr. Eugene O'Connor, live from the Whitehorse Restaurant and opened it up to the Bermuda public. He went step by step with the Zoom audience and his in-person apprentice, Aaron Lugo, showing everyone how to build a traditional Bermuda Kite. Mr. O'Connor has been making kites for over 70+ years! He has also been volunteering for BBBS by doing in person tutorials with our Bigs and Littles for over a decade! He is a true Bermuda Legend!

KITEMAKING WITH THE MASTER!



FAREWELL TO
Lydia



Lydia Rawlins has served as a BBBS Case Manager for over 10 years. She has touched the lives of numerous Bigs and Littles and has been an intricate part of the BBBS Family. It saddens us to see her leave. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors. No matter where she goes, she will always be a part of the BBBS Family.

PARTNERSHIPS

BBBS Littles presented Fidelis with an appreciation award for their homework program partnership. A group of our Littles meet twice a week at Fidelis with Fidelis staff members to assist them with schoolwork and then have a little fun afterwards.

BBBS have also partnered with PRIDE Bermuda to offer their life skills training to a group of our middle school aged Littles. The Littles meet every Wednesday via Zoom.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bermuda is always looking at ways that we can partner with others in the community to benefit our youth. We realize that it takes more than "just us" to make a difference in their lives. It takes all of us working together. We are grateful for all of our community partners.

Pictured right: Little Brother Max presenting our Appreciation Award to Mr. Jahvon Washington of Fidelis.



BBBS and Bermuda Sloop Foundation have partnered to share office space and resources. When we received notification that we both had to move we came together to research our options and came up with the perfect solution. We are truly grateful for this partnership.

Pictured left: Bermuda Sloop Foundation CEO Robin Hamill and BBBS Managing Director Patrina O'Connor Paynter.

MEET OUR NEWEST BOARD MEMBERS



Treasurer - Mr. Clifford Morris

BBBS would like to welcome our new Board Treasurer Cliff Morris! Cliff has over 25 years of experience in the Accounting Industry in Bermuda and the United States. He enjoys hanging out with his sons, physical fitness, and a good novel!



Secretary - Mr. Adam Gauntlett

BBBS would like to welcome our new Board Secretary Adam Gauntlett! Adam is a corporate services professional, sole director and secretary of Island Company Agents, who also volunteers for Meals on Wheels and performs with the Musical and Dramatic Society. When not working or volunteering, he writes fiction and non-fiction, mostly supernatural chillers.

WELCOME TO THE BBBS FAMILY CLIFF AND ADAM!

WE CHALLENGE YOU!

Be Kind!

The world is rough enough without people being mean to one another! Remember, you never know what someone else is going through in life. That smile on their face could just be a facade, so Be Kind!

Be Creative!

We encourage you to be Yourself! Let your creativity flow! What is it that you love to do? This week, do or research something that you haven't done before that you are passionate about.

Push On!

We know that sometimes life can be a bit rough and get the best of us. We just want to encourage you to press on and keep going. Know that you are not alone!

Nature Scavenger Hunt

As you go about your day, go around your neighborhood and have a look for these fun things in nature! Remember to ask your parents first and be safe when collecting items!

- ◆ **Something Fuzzy**
- ◆ **Two Kinds of Seeds**
- ◆ **Something Straight**
- ◆ **Something Round**
- ◆ **Something Smooth**
- ◆ **Something Rough**
- ◆ **A torn leaf**
- ◆ **A Pinecone**
- ◆ **Something Green**
- ◆ **A Stick**
- ◆ **Something that Makes Noise**
- ◆ **Something you think is a Treasure**

Things to Do

Exercise

Get out, go get some fresh air and go for a walk!

Journal

What are you thinking? Write down your thoughts.

Who are You?

Take a selfie of yourself. What do you see when you look in the mirror?