

As you know, in 2021 the township most generously donated the use of the Ripley Community Centre (primarily the Community Room) as practice space for the dancers who competed in Dancing with the Stars Kincardine fundraising event for Big Brothers Big Sisters, Kincardine and District. I'm attaching a spreadsheet to show how and when the space was used, which resulted in an amazing donation of \$1,850! The total amount of net funds raised from this event was \$23,800 and every penny went directly to BBBS Kincardine, to create and execute the critical programs BBBS Kincardine offers to young people in need.

It is because of the generosity of sponsors such as the Municipality of Huron-Kinloss, providing the event cash and in-kind sponsorship, that we were able to accomplish this wonderful net result.

Dancing With the Stars was always intended as an annual event, and this year the date is November 5th. Believe it or not, planning is already underway and we have several confirmed dancing couples ready to put themselves "up front and centre" in order to raise as much money as possible for BBBS Kincardine programs; and yes, we hope and encourage them to have much fun along the way!

As they will soon need practice space of the high calibre of the Ripley Community Centre, I'm writing to formally request that Huron-Kinloss consider sponsoring that space again for 2022. We would work under the same caveat that worked so well last year: we would coordinate through you and myself to request dates and times, which would not compromise any existing programs or events already approved by the Municipality.

I'm happy to provide any other details that you would require to forward this request appropriately - just let me know!

Looking forward to hearing from you at your convenience,

Linda Johnson BBBS