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## Barber's Planned Giving Will Touch The Lives Of Residents For Many Years To Come

Matthew and Genevieve Barber wanted to leave a lasting legacy for Holy Angels. They first learned about Holy Angels through the late Kays Gary's articles that appeared in the *Charlotte Observer* in the early 1960's. Gary wrote powerful columns about the Sisters of Mercy's mission to care for children with severe developmental disabilities and the ultimate establishment of Holy Angels. The Barber's became donors contributing \$5.00 at Christmas time. They visited Holy Angels often in the 1960's and continued to give annually. Mr. Barber, in fact, played in the Holy Angels Carolina Classic Golf Tournament at the age of 94!

Mr. Barber revealed in 2006 that he and his wife decided in the 1960's that if they had any money left at their death, they would donate it to Holy Angels. "Holy Angels gives them (the residents) a life, an opportunity to live," he said. "That greatly impresses me."

Mr. and Mrs. Barber established a Family Trust in 2000 leaving the bulk of their estate to Holy Angels. The Barbers planned and invested very wisely throughout their entire lives. In particular, Mr. Barber was a savvy investor who took great pride in seeing his nest egg grow; knowing the impact it would have for the residents of Holy Angels.

The Barber gift is truly special and the epitome of a true



**One of Genevieve and Matthew Barber's hobbies was bird watching.**



**Regina Moody, President/CEO of Holy Angels, accepts a check from Matthew Barber.**

"planned gift." The Barber's were inspired by the Holy Angels mission and remained dedicated to their plan for over 40 years. They were convinced throughout their years of annual giving that their planned gift would make a lasting difference, knowing Holy Angels would be good stewards of their gift. According to their friends, the Barbers had a real sense of fulfillment knowing they made the right decision to leave their estate to Holy Angels. The Barber's clearly indicated they wanted Holy Angels to use the gift wherever it would do the most good. Some of their gift has been placed in the Mother Mary Benignus Hoban Endowment Fund and some has been reserved for program expansion.

On Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, Holy Angels celebrated the Barber gift with their friends at Camp Hope. In recognition of the Barber's love of the outdoors, especially anything associated with water and boating, the new boat dock at Camp Hope was named, *The Barber Pier*. The residents use Camp Hope, Holy Angels' fully handicapped accessible camp on the South Fork River, for boating, fishing, picnics and walks along the wheelchair accessible nature trails. A portion of the Barber gift was allocated to physical upgrades at the camp, including the new boat slip and pier. The Barber's gift will have a lasting impact on Holy Angels, making it possible for us to continue to serve our residents who have many special needs.

You too can make the same kind of impact the Barber's have by remembering Holy Angels in your estate plans. If interested, contact Lynne Reyburn, Director of Donor Relations at 704-829-4473 or [lynnner@holyangelsnc.org](mailto:lynnner@holyangelsnc.org).

### MISSION STATEMENT

In a positive environment of spiritual, physical, educational, social and emotional support, Holy Angels provides children and adults with dignified and empowering opportunities for living with special emphasis on those individuals with varying degrees of mental retardation who may also have multiple disabilities.



## Employees Support Holy Angels Mission Through The Giving Tree

The Holy Angels Employee Giving Tree is a remarkable program which offers employees the opportunity to voluntarily support the programs and services of Holy Angels through a financial donation. Since its inception 17 years ago, employees have donated over \$300,000, which has had a tremendous impact on the quality of life for our residents.

This year's Giving Tree Campaign kicked off during the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Employee Giving Tree Dinner in June with a fiesta dinner sponsored by the Holy Angels Board of Directors. The 2009-2010 Giving Tree theme, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," reflects the fact that the employees help the residents of Holy Angels reach remarkable heights. The money raised from this year's campaign will support the programs and services of Holy Angels.

Holy Angels is blessed to have employees who so generously share their time and talents with our residents as





**Becky Cozad and Sandy Smith, members of Holy Angels Support Services staff, take time to sign up for the 2009-2010 Giving Tree Campaign.**



well as their treasure. This year's campaign has a promising beginning with over 120 employees already enrolled.

## Donor Wall Will Honor Holy Angels Generous Supporters

On Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m., Holy Angels will unveil a donor recognition wall and establish giving levels or societies to honor individuals, companies and foundations who have supported us in so many ways through annual and planned giving.

The giving levels or societies are:

-  **The Circle of Angels** - donors who support us annually,
-  **The Manley Society**, named in honor of Sr. Patrice Manley, Holy Angels' founder – donors who have given \$25,000 or more in their lifetime,

-  **The Barber Society**, named in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Barber – donors who have given \$100,000 or more,
-  **The Hoban Society**, named after Mother Mary Benignus Hoban, a co-founder of Holy Angels - individuals who have named Holy Angels in their will or estate plans.

Please let us know if you have remembered Holy Angels in your estate plans. We want to include your name in The Hoban Society recognition. Please fill out the box below and return it to Holy Angels.



Please let us know if you have remembered Holy Angels in your estate plans. We want to include your name on our new donor recognition wall. Please complete the form below and return it by **August 31<sup>st</sup>** to **Lynne Reyburn, Dir. Of Donor Relations, Holy Angels, PO Box 710, Belmont, NC 28012** or notify Lynne by email – [lynner@holyanimalsnc.org](mailto:lynner@holyanimalsnc.org) or call 704.829.4473.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I/WE have included Holy Angels in our estate plans:

(Please Print)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (area code and number): \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Summer Activities Thrill Holy Angels Residents



Center, Eileen Peters, Outreach Services Program Director - Cherubs, along with friends, left, Elise, and right, Martha, enjoy a few moments in the hot tub at the July Great Adventures meeting.



Jerrod at the Woodstock celebration with staff member, Rebecca Johnson



Travis shows off his blue ribbons at the Gaston County Special Olympics.



Gaye Dimmick, Holy Angels Creative Arts Director, and Notre Dame intern, Allan Jones, assist Amy in demonstrating the use of sound beam technology to create music.



Left, Crystal Harris and Kim enjoy the summer luau at Push Place.

## Congratulations To Our 2009 NORCARR Award Winners

Congratulations to Ronald Vaughn and Elizabeth Strack, who are Holy Angels 2009 recipients of the North Carolina Association for Residential Resources, NORCARR, Achievement of Excellence Award. These highly coveted awards recognize outstanding job performance consistently displayed by an employee who has worked at Holy Angels for at least one year.

Mr. Vaughn, a Gastonia resident, received the Ann Wolfe Award for outstanding service. He has served Holy Angels residents since 1990, most recently in the Oakcrest ICF (Intermediate Care Facility) group home. The Ann Wolfe Award is named in honor of Dr. Ann F. Wolfe, who served as an advocate for individuals with developmental disabilities and is presented to a direct care professional, one who works directly with the residents at Holy Angels.

Ms. Strack, a Belmont resident, was awarded the Virginia Franks Achievement of Excellence Award. This award was established in 1991 in honor of Virginia Franks to recognize individuals who serve in roles other than direct care. Ms.



Left, Regina Moody, Holy Angels President/CEO, and Elizabeth Strack



Ronald Vaughn

Stack has been with Holy Angels since 1988 and serves as the Controller in the Business Office at Holy Angels.

“For over fifty years, Holy Angels’ employees have cared deeply for our residents and committed themselves to their care,” said Regina Moody, President/CEO of Holy Angels. “They set and achieve high standards and are an inspiration to all of us.” Ms. Strack was honored during the annual NORCARR banquet in Raleigh on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Vaughn was unable to attend.





## From My Perspective...Regina P. Moody, President/CEO

Dear Friends,

We often find ourselves celebrating the little miracles that happen each day at Holy Angels ...discovering hidden artistic talents, one of our youngest residents smiles for the first time or picks her first tomato from our organic garden. All achievements big or small are noteworthy at Holy Angels.

There are also those moments and people for whom we are most grateful. We were thrilled to once again have a Notre Dame student intern with us for the summer. Allan Jones, a pre-med student, brought an abundance of energy and enthusiasm to each activity – from boat rides to helping out at Cherubs Café & Candy Bouquet. We greatly appreciated his willingness to help wherever and whenever needed.

The Camp Hope boat pier was finished just in time for our summer boat rides along the South Fork River. There were lots of happy faces and much laughter as the residents cruised along enjoying the sounds of summer. Many thanks go to Duke Energy, Push America, Pi Kappa Phi and Rick Hanafin and his Seneca Communications staff members. Without their help we would not have the updated, handicapped accessible boat dock and pier.



On October 4<sup>th</sup>, at the *Gathering of Angels*, we will celebrate our many donors when we unveil our new donor recognition wall, which will be located in the front lobby of Holy Angels' Morrow Center. We have established the Hoban Society for those who have remembered Holy Angels in their will or estate plans. We will formally begin the Circle of Angels and establish two other societies – The Manley Society and Barber Society. We greatly appreciate the support we receive from you, our donors.

Even as we celebrate and give thanks to the many gifts and talents that are shared with our residents, we continue to face significant funding challenges. Just as the economy has affected families and businesses, we, too have had loss of funds. We are concerned about the North Carolina state budget and the deep cuts that have been proposed by our legislators. These will have a significant impact on the services our residents receive. Now more than ever your continued support is greatly needed. If possible, please consider an increase in your giving – no gift is too small – and will be deeply appreciated.

Again, I thank you for your caring hearts and generosity. Please know of our continued prayers for you and your families.

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*Golf Tournament*

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