Spruced Goose Station
Our Newest Business Enterprise

As you walk through the door of our newly opened Spruced Goose Station fresh eats & treats in McAdenville, NC, you are sure to be greeted with a warm welcome and beautiful smile. Thomas will be there with his cheerful greeting and ready to get you started with a delicious specialty coffee drink. If you are stopping in for lunch, you will probably find Leslie working on making a wrap or croissant filled with our famous Chicken Pecan Salad.

This is a unique model of services for individuals with intellectual developmental disabilities. Our customers see beyond the “disabilities” and experience firsthand the many abilities, gifts and talents of each supported employee. As an integrated work setting - co-workers and customers become friends.

“The Holy Angels business enterprises such as Spruced Goose Station allows us to achieve our mission, supporting each person and helping them reach their full potential in a meaningful work setting. We also use this opportunity to share our story of loving, living and learning for the differently able,” says Regina Moody, Holy Angels President/CEO.

This endeavor would not have been possible without the support of Pharr. Bill (Pharr CEO) and Carol Carstarphen brought the idea of opening an ice cream and coffee shop to Holy Angels – they wanted to bring to McAdenville a family friendly business, a gathering space, serving ice cream and coffee.

Preston Wilson, Vice President of Business Development, BowerTraust, brought his creativity to the project. He created a rustic and comfortable space welcoming the local community and beyond to visit and enjoy a cup of coffee or one of the signature milkshakes.

Our other business enterprises include Cherubs Café, Cotton Candy Factory and Bliss Gallery located on Main Street in Belmont. A gift and art studio is located in McAdenville next to the restaurant.
Angel “Hula” Bowl

With the cold, rainy weather we had last winter, Holy Angels decided to whisk our bowlers to a tropical paradise! Our 27th Annual Angel Bowl was Hula style this year and the leis, grass skirts and flamingos were out in full force! While we pretended to bask in the sun and listen to the sounds of the waves, our sponsors, friends, and volunteers helped us to raise $194,203 – a new fundraising record! Thanks to all who made this possible!

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A Planned Gift in Gratitude for a Gift of Life Planned by God

Don Mangold, a retired electrical engineer from the U.S. Air Force has carefully and methodically engineered the placement of his belongings in his home. Everything is neatly placed from laundry cleaning supplies lined up like soldiers marching in unison to electrical wire spools and tools laid out like medical supplies for surgery. Dennis Kuhn had the pleasure to visit with Mr. Mangold, to dine and pray with him at his home in Warner Robins last March.

Just as Mr. Mangold has brilliantly organized everything in his home, he has also engineered everything in place for his home and his estate as a Planned Gift to Holy Angels. “I wanted somehow to give a part of me to those who are in need of the continued love and care given so freely by the staff of Holy Angels,” he said. Mr. Mangold is one of many who know the value of sharing the gifts received in life with those who carry on a mission of love and life for others. A Planned Gift is an expression of gratitude for a gift of life planned and provided by God.

If you have a charitable giving interest in support of Holy Angels’ future and you would like to learn how your gift can have mutual benefit to Holy Angels and yourself, please contact Dennis Kuhn @ dennisk@HolyAngelsNC.org or Anne Bogen @ anneb@HolyAngelsNC.org. We also invite you to learn more about leaving your legacy by visiting www.HolyAngelsLegacy.org.
Breaking Clays the Holy Angels Way!

Meadow Wood Farm in Waxhaw was the setting once again for our 2nd Annual Clay Shoot and the day didn’t disappoint! Despite the heat, 240 shooters showed their enthusiasm for both this sport and Holy Angels by raising $175,653. Gratitude to our committee members who recruited several new sponsors to our event: John Barker, Tom McKittrick, Tucker Craig, Leah Bailey, Amy Hicks, Mac Winget, Nathan Daniel, Jay Johnstone, Randy Stansberry and Norman Walters.

Rowena Barker shares her son Jack’s story at the Clay Shoot.

John Barker, Jack’s dad, celebrates one of the big winners – Jackie Blythe, SteelFab.

The Southeastern Architectural Systems team (Mac Winget, Tim Loken, Garrett Herbst & Martin Hovis) took time out for a team photo.

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Meet The Meads – Volunteering With Love

If it’s Thursday morning, then you can pretty much expect to find Stephanie Mead at Holy Angels. And if her husband, Mike, is not working that day, he’ll be right by her side.

You can usually find the two of them hanging out with Andrew and Drew, two of our vibrant young men who call Holy Angels home. They all spend time together listening to music, swinging under Push Place and sometimes even wandering around campus when the weather allows. This is a little glimpse into what life looks like on the other side of the bushes on a typical Thursday morning.

Stephanie began her volunteer service at Holy Angels in the spring of 2017. She initially began as a pet therapy volunteer coming twice a week where she and her sheltie sidekick, Champ, would spend time loving on all of the residents.

After hearing about all the great things Stephanie was experiencing, Mike decided to join his wife on her weekly pet therapy visits.

However, it wasn’t always this way for Stephanie. Prior to joining Holy Angels, life was busy and full. With one son already in college and another one heading that way soon, she knew that life would look and feel a little different at the Mead house in just a few months.

As expected, summer came and summer went. Stephanie and Mike’s youngest son flew from the nest and began to attend Davidson College that fall.

Life as an empty-nester can make for a lot of free time. Stephanie had always been involved in things revolving her sons, and now she had the opportunity to give back. One of those things on the list was to get involved at Holy Angels.

Through their weekly visits, Mike and Stephanie started to form strong bonds with Andrew and Drew. They decided to devote their Thursday mornings to just these two.

As Belmont residents, Stephanie and Mike both knew amazing things happened just on the other side of the Holy Angels bushes on Wilkinson Boulevard. Now they are experiencing life on the other side of the bushes. Knowing something and experiencing something are two different things.

“This is where life happens” Mike says when talking about his love for Holy Angels.

It’s been over two years now since the Meads have woven themselves into the fabric of life that Mike was speaking about.

Stephanie and Mike treat Andrew and Drew like they are a part of their family. The feeling is mutual too, according to Stephanie.

“Everyone at Holy Angels treats us like family,” she says.

Their nest, once empty, is now full again. And so are their hearts.

Andrew and Drew love it when the Meads come to visit. A good time will be had!
Summer Scenes

Nothing better than summer fun at Push Place.

Celebrating CARF success with Team Holy Angels.

LifeChoices participants - Sarah & Leslie - are loving bowling Hula style.

Lynn Hill and Brenda Barker celebrate their NORCARR awards with Holy Angels CEO, Regina Moody.

Jenny is thoroughly enjoying the music at a summer concert.

Brandon is helping get ready for the Spring Plant Sale.

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Happy Summer!

Summer is here and so is all the fun that goes along with it. Our residents are busy enjoying boat rides, summer concerts, Camp Wyliewanna Hawaiian style, Block Parties for Fun Fridays are in full swing and making friends with our Summer Volunteens. Your support make fun times happen! Thank You!

We have welcomed two pre-med students from Notre Dame – Abigail Orsinelli and Jacob Anthuvan – for the summer. With us for eight weeks, they will be working with our residents and participants in a variety of settings.

I am pleased to announce that we recently received a three-year national accreditation with CARF. Holy Angels chose to hold itself to the highest standards in terms of accreditation. CARF surveys applied over 200 general standards across programs and services, including administration and governance. CARF found that Holy Angels demonstrated “considerable conformance” to the standards applied. This achievement would not be possible without the commitment and dedication of our entire staff.

As I mentioned over 100 Summer Volunteers (ages 13-17) are here. They help out with activities, challenge residents with video games, assist with art and cooking projects, music therapy and story time. They are also helping out in our business enterprises. Friendships are formed that will last way beyond the summer.

I thank you, again, for making fun times possible for our residents. Please remember us in prayer for this special ministry – as we always remember you in grateful appreciation.

Sincerely,

Regina P. Moody, President/CEO

Our Mission

The mission of Holy Angels is to provide compassionate, dependable care and opportunities for high-quality living to those with intellectual developmental disabilities and delicate medical conditions through physical, social, spiritual, vocational, educational and emotional support.