



**ANGELS
UNAWARE, INC.**
Residential Care for the Developmentally Disabled.

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2004 Christmas Ornaments Now on Sale

Hawver Aluminum Foundry, Inc. and their wonderful employees have, once again, come through with this year's 2004 Angel Ornament. Pictured below, in the center, is this year's design. This ornament is made of polished cast aluminum and is ready to be hung on your Christmas tree. These ornaments have a wide circulation across the world, thanks to our supporters. You have used them as gifts, attached them to presents instead of bows and have sent them to our troops in every major conflict since 1990. Each ornament is dated and there are some from previous years available to complete your collection.

Each year we use these funds to supplement our transportation costs. We need this fundraiser to be a success because this year Angels Unaware had to purchase a new passenger van and currently has two others that are ready to be replaced. So, please order as many ornaments as you can to help supplement these costs. Your friends, neighbors and co-workers would be happy to receive them as gifts or would gladly purchase them from you to help our cause.



2004

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ORNAMENT ORDER FORM

Please detach and mail with payment to:

Angels Unaware, Inc.
P.O. Box 270040
Tampa, Florida 33688-0040

NAME: _____

MAILING OR SHIPPING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

ZIP _____

PLEASE ENCLOSE A CHECK PAYABLE TO **ANGELS UNAWARE, INC.** FOR
\$6 DOLLARS FOR EACH ORNAMENT PURCHASED.

TOTAL ORNAMENTS REQUESTED _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

MISSION STATEMENT

Angels Unaware, Inc. is a non-profit corporation operating in Hillsborough County, whose express goal is to provide quality professional residential group-home care for severe and profound developmentally disabled individuals. We currently own and operate nine homes serving fifty-two handicapped residents. Each home is highly specialized to serve the individual needs of its residents. Current training utilizes a behavioral management approach designed to meet the needs of each individual. A Board of Directors made up of parents, concerned professionals and other concerned citizens from the community governs the Corporation.

H.A.L.O.**Update**

The H.A.L.O. Foundation supports Angels Unaware, Inc. This foundation is just getting off the ground. They currently meet every other month on the third Tuesday on the month. They are looking for a few new board members to help. If you are interested in a board position, please contact Ross O'Banion at Angels main office at 813-961-1159.

"A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the division of consumer services by calling toll-free 1-800-435-7352 (refer to CH8732) within the state. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the state."

A Word From Ross**A Word From Ross**

Ross O'Banion – Executive Director

I would like to take a moment to thank the many fine restaurants of Tampa Bay for their great participation in our Annual "Dinner for Two" restaurant raffle. We had 43 restaurants step forward to help us. This year we raised over \$4,300.00, which was almost the same as last year. Considering all the hurricanes our State suffered during the time period we were running the raffle, that is amazing. Those restaurants that participated and the winners are listed in this newsletter. Please take a moment to have dinner at one of these establishments and thank them for assisting Angels Unaware Inc.

Some of you have asked why we need to raise funds from the community. "Doesn't the State of Florida pay for the care of the developmentally disabled served by Angels Unaware Inc?" The answer to that question is simply..... NO!!! The State of Florida has never paid 100% of the expenses. In most cases the State is doing everything they can to reduce the amount that is paid to Angels Unaware and other service providers like us. Angels Unaware, like other small businesses, is experiencing escalating expenses in fuel costs, all insurances, labor costs, and inflation.

Recently the State reported that they paid Maximus (a utilization review organization) seven million dollars to conduct desk reviews of the services and needs of the developmentally disabled consumers throughout Florida. As a result Maximus cut services in the amount of seven million dollars to these consumers while increasing provider requirements, paperwork, and expenses. The State spent seven million dollars to save seven million dollars. Math was not my best subject in school and apparently our State Government has the same challenge. This is why we have no choice but to ask the community for assistance.

Some of you assist us with cash, which is great; however others have helped and continue to help with "In Kind" gifts of goods and services. Both are vital to the organization's health and helps us meet the various needs of the consumers we have the pleasure of serving. In this newsletter we are featuring this year's Angel Ornament. Hawver Aluminum Foundry Inc. is one organization that has helped Angels Unaware year after year. Each year they make and donate the Angel Ornaments. Each year's ornament is an original design and only a limited number is available. The money that we raise in this effort supplements our transportation costs. Please take a moment to consider purchasing an ornament. They have been used over the years for many things besides ornaments on Christmas trees. They have adorned the Hummers of some of our troops in every Middle East conflict. They have been used on Christmas packages as decoration. They have been made into wind chimes, and they have been given as gifts that can be mailed without fear of breaking. The list of uses goes on.

As we close out another year with Thanksgiving and Christmas, please take the time to pray for our Country, Angels Unaware Inc. and the work we do. Thank you for your assistance and encouragement to the consumers we serve and their families.

Letter From the President—Bob Albano

I want to thank all the participating restaurants and everyone who purchased a raffle ticket. Thanks to the hard work of your board of directors and the great support from our participating restaurants, we were able to raise over \$4,300 towards the purchase of a new home! It was a great success. Thanks to everybody who participated!

Many thanks to the Caribbean Cowboys and the Sherife Association for their help with the picnic. There were a bunch of Sheriffs and Cowboys at the affair to serve up the grub. They were also responsible for many of our ticket sales in the raffle.

I will be wrapping up next years Board of Director nominees in December. I would love to have a full 15 person board in 2005. The larger the board, the more work we can accomplish. I'm proud to say that we had eleven hard-working members this year and they all contributed a great deal. You should all give them a pat on the back for a job well done. If you are interested in becoming a board member for 2005, please call me on my cell at 813-695-0236 or email at Ral-bano@tampabay.rr.com.



Tampa Breakfast Sertoma Club 2004 Poinsettia Sales Drive



Scholarship Fund

Some may not know that Angels Unaware, Inc. has what we affectionately call our "Scholarship Fund". Some of our consumers have no family due to death, or may have family who no longer stays in contact. Due to the on going cuts in funding by the State of Florida, our consumers are forced to bear more and more financial burdens. Angels Unaware developed this fund to help these consumers with little or no funds and those who do not have family to go home with for the holidays. We make sure they have Christmas, birthdays, presents, trees, and holiday dinners just like everyone else in America. The Scholarship fund along with community organizations and individuals make this happen.

For an example, just recently we had a consumer receive a much needed new wheelchair that did not include the lap tray (\$650). This presented a real problem as this person eats, works, transports, and sits in this specially designed wheelchair most of the day. This tray was a vital component of the chair. This consumer had to cover the cost due to the Medicare/Medicaid limitations and his personal funds weren't enough. When consumers take vacations each year, or attend some community event, some do not have the funds to go. Instead of leaving these consumers behind, the Scholarship fund helps those in need to participate.

How do you contribute to the "Scholarship Fund"? Simply take the time to write a check to Angels Unaware and mark it for the Scholarship Fund. This fund makes a real difference in many people's lives.

The Tampa Breakfast Sertoma Club is proud to present "florist quality" holiday poinsettias for your office or home with the proceeds benefiting Angels Unaware. Please clip out this article and fill out the order form shown below. Please mail it to **Tampa Breakfast Sertoma Club at P.O. Box 2658 Tampa, Florida 33601**. Make your check payable to the Tampa Breakfast Sertoma Club. Your flowers will be delivered to you. There is a minimum 10 per order. For additional information, please contact Tom Borzell at 813-313-5519.

Angels Unaware Poinsettia Purchase

Name _____ Organization _____

Address _____

City/St/Zip _____

Email _____ Day Phone # _____

<u>Plant size</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Total</u>
4.5" plant	@ \$4.50 each	\$ _____
6" plant	@ \$7.50 each	\$ _____
8" plant	@ \$15.00 each	\$ _____
8" tree	@ \$18.00 each	\$ _____
	TOTAL ORDER	\$ _____

2004 Angels Unaware Picnic

This year's picnic was full of fun and food. Thank God for pushing Hurricane Ivan away from us so we could enjoy a beautiful, but windy day at the Tampa Bay Baptist Conference Center. Thanks to Ross' secret hush puppy recipe, the fish fry was a huge success. It was well attended and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves and the food.



We honored two of our loyal employees who are retiring from Angels Unaware this year. Barbara Thacker worked at AUI since 1977. She started as the Home Economist in our first home and has worked in many of the other homes throughout her career. Also, Harry Bevil, who worked for AUI since 1990. He was the Home Manager at Angels #2, one of our non-ambulatory homes in the Lutz area.



Many thanks to all who brought salads and desserts. Also, thank you to the Caribbean Cowboys and the Sherifes for lending a hand with the set-up, serving and clean-up. They were all a big help.





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Wish List

All Homes

Bath Towels & Wash Cloths, Twin Sheets
& Blankets, Regular Pillow Cases, Floor &

Bath Mats & Rugs, Kitchen Towels

Angels 1

Trash Can, Containers for sugar, etc.

Angels 3

Lamps

Angels 5

New Fax/copier, Popcorn Machine, New

Vacuum Cleaner, Area Rugs

Angels 6

New House Phone, Kitchen Mats

Angels 7

Outdoor Chairs, Refrigerator

Angels 8

VCR/DVD Player, Vacuum Cleaner

Angels 9

Large Sauce Pans, Beige & Pink Bath Rugs

Supported Living

Vacuum Cleaner, Twin or Full-sized Bed
with Frame, Sofa, love Seat, living Room

Chair, Used Computer for email

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www.angelsunaware.com

Angels Unaware Inc. Second Annual Tampa Bay Restaurant Raffle Winners – 2004

42nd Street Bistro – Steve Hood

42nd Street Bistro – Kyle Monfort

220 East – Carolyn Robinson

Antonio's Pasta Grill – Barbara Thacker

Applebee's – Virgil Fabian Jr

Beef O'Brady's – Lana Schiro

Bella's Italian Café – Carolyn Robinson

Benedetto's – Mark Scime

Carrabba's – Patton Gibson

Colonnade – Todd Scime

Gardens Restaurant – Mike Blasciak

Hungry Harry's Famous BBQ – Chris Pharo

Lauro Ristorante Italiano – Bonnie Turner

Lupton's Buffet – Mr. Beuer

Malio's Steakhouse – Sandra Enriquez

Olive Garden – Reve Smith

Perkins Restaurant – Erik Hughes

Pipo's Latin Café – Debbie Manor

Po' Boys Creole Café – Lois Mallah

Ryan's Steakhouse – Grace McKee

Seven 17 South – Mark Abraham

Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q – William Cook

Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q – Scott Pailthorp

Strings n Rings Café – Maena Smith

Suprema Italian Restaurant – Kimberly Hunt

Tate Brothers Pizza – Bill Demeza

Ye Olde Fireside Inn – Angel Lai

42nd Street Bistro – Caitlin Howell

ABC Pizza – Kyle Monfort

AHI Grille – Furman Brantley

Arigato – Bill Demeza

Applebee's – Larry & Linda Murphy

Beef O'Brady's – Jack Barrett

Bella's Italian Café – Sandy Enriquez

Chili's – Carl White

Carrabba's – Mark Scime

Divino's – Patton Gibson

Hooters – Mr. & Mrs. Cliff Placke

Lakeside Grill – Colleen Cauthorn

LongHorn Steakhouse – Charles Steven

Lupton's Buffet – Yvonne Madison

Mel's Hot Dogs – Mike Scott

Olive Garden – Bonnie Turner

Perkins Restaurant – Diana Diaz

Red Lobster – Rachel Ratliff

Ruby Tuesday – Reve Smith

Sally O'Neal's Pizza – Mara Schiro

Shell's Seafood Restaurant – Jon Broome

Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q – Virgil Fabian

Spaghetti Warehouse – James Epperson

Stumps Supper Club – William Cook

Sweet Tomatoes – Cheryl Reeves

Village Inn – Bill West

Zaxby's – Yolanda Fernandez