



We miss you, volunteers! Take a peek at what has been happening around the Ronald McDonald Houses and Ronald McDonald Family Room.

### **Back-to-School Crafting with the Red Shoe Society**



Angel Glover, Red Shoe volunteer chair, says the executive committee has been working on craft kits this year because volunteer opportunities have been limited by the pandemic.

"These kits are a response to COVID and still wanting to have a tangible impact on the Ronald McDonald House guests, specifically children, Red Shoe worked closely with the volunteer coordinators to develop a craft kit model,"

Angel says. "These kits are prepared by volunteer coordinators and Red Shoe members, are accompanied by a brief instructional video, and are distributed between both House locations for families to pick up and use at their leisure."

This Back-to-School activity is the fourth installment this year. "Our aim is to look forward to the upcoming school year and encourage children, whether patients or siblings, to be excited for all the new things they will learn in 2021-2022," Angel says.

Fun Fact Alert

Did you know that each standard graphite pencil has enough graphite to draw a line 35 miles long or write 45,000 words? Note: This theory has not been tested!





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Key Donations

- Catered Meals
- Trozen Meals
- Tresh Flowers
- Restaurant Gift Cards
- Craft Kits
  Snack Bags

## Highlights of the Month



Gift Cards for our Meal Program!

Earlier this year, Cory Stewart, an ARMHC Board member, and his wife, Stacie, had the opportunity to visit our Ronald McDonald Family Room at Children's – Scottish Rite. Their daughter was admitted to the unit due to a kidney infection. Although their stay was brief, the resources, support, and services provided by our Family Room team made a huge impact on their family. Inspired by Cory's role with ARMHC and time spent at the Family Room, Stacie wanted a way to pay it forward to help other families. By reaching out to friends and family, they collected \$1,500 in gift cards for our meal programs.

Special thanks to Cory, his wife, and their community of support for this generous donation. It's truly amazing!



### Meafferoes Needed

Available dates at our Peachtree Dunwoody House: 9/4, 9/5, 9/10, 9/13

Available Dates at our Gatewood House: 9/2, 9/5, 9/9, 9/10, 9/12, 9/13, 9/14, 9/17, 9/20, 9/22, 9/26, 9/28, 9/29

Available Dates at our Family Room: 9/5, 9/8, 9/9, 9/12, 9/13, 9/19, 9/22, 9/26, 9/27

### Volunteer Anniversaries

Courtney & Laird Hoover

#### <u>5 Years</u>

Katherine Buchanan, Destinie Ames, Cristy Fine

#### 4 Years

Judy Landers

#### 2 Years

Penney Cohen

#### **Questions? Contact us!**

Our Ronald McDonald Houses, contact Ansley Wetherington at <u>ansley.wetheringtonearmhc.org</u>
Our Ronald McDonald Family Room, contact Jamesse Webb at <u>jamesse.webbearmhc.org</u>

## Learn about our Meals that Heal

Our Meals that Heal program provides a much-needed support service to families taking care of their sick children, and often don't have the time, funds, or energy to prepare a healthy, home-cooked meal. After a long day at the hospital or clinic, a hot meal is a welcome gift.

That need has not diminished during the COVID-19 pandemic. However, to lessen the risk of potential exposure for our families, we only accept catered meal donations at this time.

With our new Meals That Heal program, you can provide a warm meal for all the families at our House without ever leaving your own, all while supporting local businesses during this challenging time. You may contact any of the establishments below or the restaurant/catering service of your choice, place an order, and have it delivered to the Ronald McDonald House on your day to serve. Can't provide a whole meal? No problem! You can make a donation to our Meals that Heal program, and we'll coordinate the rest.

However you choose to participate in our Meals That Heal program, please know that we are thoroughly grateful for your support. Your kindness and generosity in providing a catered meal make you a contributor in what is often the best part of our families' day.

Meals Heal

Learn more here!

# SEPTEMBER 2021

Lunch and Learn: Estate Planning 101 September 9, 2021, 11:30 am-12:30 pm

Join us for a special webinar offered by Atlanta RMHC Legacy Advisors Neeli Shah, JD, LLM and Patrick Norris, ESQ. You'll learn why you need a will now more than ever, which documents everyone needs to protect the people and causes that matter most, and get you the tools you need to get started.

Learn more and register here

Explore how you can Leave a Legacy





Lunch and Learn: The ABCs of SEO September 15, 2021; 12:30 pm-1:30 pm

Join us for a webinar on The ABCs of SEO with Allison Puckett, national digital content manager with the American Heart Association. Register today to discover tips and tools for improving your organic search results to get more clicks.

To register, click <u>here</u>

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#### **BMW Raffle Event**

Enter for a chance to win your choice of a 2022 BMW M235i Gran Coupe or BMW 430i Coupe or BMW X3, courtesy of your Atlanta Area BMW Centers.

You can buy tickets here



#### 12th Annual Hearts and Hands Gala

Join us for the 12th Annual Hearts and Hands Gala, presented by The Coca-Cola Company, on Saturday, October 16.

We will gather under the stars at the historic Donaldson-Bannister Farm in Duhwoody, Georgia, to celebrate and honor more than 40 years of keeping families close. Learn more here!



